

Women's Institute

A very interesting Historical tour was conducted by Mrs. D. Warren showing the points of interest at Chaffey's Locks including the pioneer cemetery, the hand-operated locks and lock masters house and the historical plaque.

The banquet at the Opinicon was much enjoyed and the entertainment provided by the Brockville Ladies' Barbershop Chorus, also the singalong by Mrs. J. Scott at the piano. One hundred and twenty-two were in attendance the first day and one hundred and four the second day.

It was decided that the W.I. purchase a wreath for the Cenotaph again this year, with Mrs. Miriam Bryan appointed to lay the wreath at the service.

Mrs. Dione Kirby then gave a very interesting travelogue on her recent trip to England Scotland and Wales, along with her husband. She passed around many beautiful snapshots and brochures, showing the points of interest and all the lovely scenery of those countries.

A report of the workshop, leadership course on Indoor Gardening, held at Athens recently by the Home Economist, Miss Jean Riddell was given by Mrs. Florence Molony, who attended with four other ladies from Delta.

Several members expressed interest and a demonstration was planned for November 6th at the home of Mrs. Nellie French, 1st Leader.

The meeting then adjourned with the singing of the Royal Anthem and delicious refreshments served by the hostesses.

A hearty vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Bryan and Mrs. Jones for their kind hospitality and to Mrs. Kirby for her very interesting talk also to the delegates, for their reports.

Nursing Course

Intensive care unit nurses throughout Eastern Ontario now can upgrade professional skills on the job, thanks to a provincially unique part-time St. Lawrence college course.

Doris Johnson, a nurse at Brockville General was one of the first to take advantage of it. "To obtain this training before, I would have had to go out of town." St. Lawrence teaching master, Ann Ford, decided that nurses should not have to forfeit employment for the sake of professional development. She developed the 21 week part-time course which now enables intensive care unit nurses to learn new skills without leaving their jobs to return to school. The result is an overflow in the course's second offering and a waiting list for the third in February.

The intensive care unit course content emphasizes the knowledge needed to cope with situations most likely to be encountered by ICU personnel. Clinical experience at Kingston and Ottawa hospitals is included, as well as in home hospitals. Resource persons from these outside institutions play an important role in teaching the course. Professional medical, nursing and legal personnel from Brockville and Smiths Falls also teach in this post-graduate program.

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