

MONTHLY REPORTS OF WOMEN'S INSTITUTES

HARMONY Club meeting was held at home of Mrs. A. F. Murray with eight members and eight visitors present. Meeting opened with the usual opening exercises roll call being answered with a New Year's resolution. Money was voted to the Protestant Orphanage. One new member Mrs. John E. Yeo was enrolled and the next meeting will be at her home.

RINGWOOD. Nine members and a large number of visitors met at the home of Miss Norma Currie for the December meeting. Roll call was responded to by each member paying 10 cents. Secretary reported fruit sent to sick in the district; money was voted toward buying pencil sharpener for school, also soap, cocoa, postum and tea, and a paper entitled "keep a'go'in" was read by the secretary. A dainty luncheon was served by the thirteen year old hostess. It was decided to buy material for sewing at next meeting which will be at home of Mrs. Wm. Mutch.

ENMORE. Roll call was responded to by ten members. Some bills were ordered paid, and it was decided that the Institute buy treats for the sick. This club plan on putting on a play in the winter months. Two new members were welcomed.

ST. FELIX. Sick committee reported on each case of sickness in the district, new school committee was appointed, and a vote of thanks was given the Institute by the school teacher for the new blackboard placed in the school. A report of the concert was given and a vote of thanks tendered to those who worked so hard to make it a success. Place of next meeting is home of Mrs. Martin Marting.

Fanmore Island: Meeting opened with singing of "Long, Long, Trail," followed by Roll Call, answered with New Year's Resolutions. A discussion took place on continuance of whist parties, and it was decided to hold a dance on February 9th. \$3.00 was voted for treat for the school children at the Examination. Next place of meeting is Mrs. W. E. Wright.

Peters Road Institute meeting was held at the home of Mrs. H. Campbell, with twelve members and two visitors present. Minutes of last regular meeting were read, as were also the Minutes of the special meeting. Four new desks have been placed in the school and the scholars were remembered at Christmas with nut bars and peanuts from the Institute. Next meeting will be held at home of Mrs. Edgar VanDerstine.

Cardigan North: Programme of meeting which was held at home of Mrs. Francis Campbell consisted of Roll call, singing of Ode, Minutes and several recitations. A cupboard has been placed in the school for the hot lunches. Money was voted for the following school necessities: New door, blackboard, maps, pencil sharpener and bell. \$5.00 was voted for the "Xmas tree fund," and \$20.00 for the starting fund for a new pump for school. The members will meet next month at home of Mrs. Aeneas MacDonald.

Southampton Club met in the schoolhouse. The dance which was held at the home of Mrs. M. McDonald was a success, the sum of \$23.69 being realized. It was decided to order eight new seats for the school, and to remember each school child with a gift at Christmas.

Success \$15.35 was spent on Christmas gifts for school children, and \$5.00 voted towards the Protestant Orphanage. Two new wash basins have been supplied for the school. Programme committee for next meeting, which will be held at home of Mrs. Garnet Campbell, is Mrs. Nell Curren and Mrs. A. M. Green.

Jubilee Programme of meeting was "Christmas Theme." Reading, "Story of Christmas" by Miss Georgie Matheson. Piano Solo by Mrs. E. V. MacLeod, and Demonstration on "Paper Flowers" by Mrs. Andrew Noonan. This was the anniversary of the Institute and a Birthday Cake was served. A new blackboard is to be placed in the school during the holidays, and the children remembered at Christmas.

Port Hill Institute met at home of Miss Daisy Adams. Meeting opened with readings by Mrs. Reginald Birch, followed by regular routine work. Gifts for teacher and school children decided on, and gifts for children of Protestant Orphanage sent. Two new members were enrolled. Next meeting will be at Mrs. A. Montgomery's home.

Federickton Meeting opened by singing Institute Ode, followed by reading the Creed. Letters were read concerning the building of a Sanatorium on the island. A selling of Christmas Seals in aid of Red Cross Society. It was decided to keep Red Cross Seals and sell them among the members. \$8.00 was to be used in buying Xmas gifts for pupils and teacher. Miss Annie MacLennan will be hostess at next meeting.

Murray Harbour North. Twenty-four members and seven visitors met at home of Mrs. Wm. J. McLure for the December Meeting, after the business portion of which a goose supper was served by the hostess. New Sick Committee was appointed, and sick friend's home reported having done so. A farewell party and presentation was given a member on the eve of her departure to another locality. The sum of \$5.00 was donated to the relief of a sick friend, and four members volunteered to clean the schoolhouse during the holidays. Next meeting will be at home of Mrs. Geo. T. McLure.

Eldon. Fourteen members responded to roll call with a Christmas Verse. Programme consisted of a solo, recitations, and community singing. It was decided to send sum of one dollar for Red Cross Seals, and that one-tenth of the entire funds be set aside for the starting of a library in the near future. Miss M. Martin will entertain the next meeting.

Sterling. A Christmas treat was provided for the school children, and the Institute became Santa Pal to one of the Guardian children. It was decided to provide drinking fountain for school, and to give prizes to the pupils in each grade for highest marks or most improvement at the end of June. Next meeting will be at home of Secretary, Mrs. Hiscott.

Spring Hill Institute meeting for January was held in the schoolhouse, with five members and several visitors present. Not much business was undertaken, except that a few bills were ordered paid. Lunch committee was appointed for next meeting, which will also meet in the school house.

Cambridge. Ten members and six visitors met at home of Mrs. G. Higginbotham. Meeting opened with the Ode, followed by roll call. A condolence committee was appointed, and two members appointed to visit a bereaved member. Meeting closed with singing "Carry Me Back to Old Virginia," after which a nice lunch was served and a social hour spent. Next meeting will be at home of Miss Gertrude Lannigan.

Gowan Brae. The January meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Patrick McInnis, where roll call was answered by twelve members responding with ideas on "How to improve the Institute." Meeting opened with singing by Miss M. Mullaly. It

was decided to buy two new windows for school. One new member was enrolled, and meeting closed with music. Next meeting to be held at home of Mrs. Peter McInnis.

Souris West. Ten members and one visitor met at the home of Mrs. R. A. Donahue on Wednesday evening, January 9th. The President Mrs. Deagle opened the meeting. Roll call was answered with "Memory Gems."

Lakeview. Twelve members responded to roll call of meeting which was held at home of Mrs. R. D. McDonald. Programme consisted of one

reading and several songs. Final arrangements were made with regard to social, and members reported that they are soliciting names regarding Sanatorium resolution. Mrs. Stephen MacDonald will entertain the next meeting. Those present enjoyed a one-pennant social hour.

Waterville. After the singing of the Ode, roll call was answered by eight members present giving suggestions for new activities for the Institute. It

was decided to have a Grab Box at the next meeting, and to have next roll call answered with Valentine verses. Programme consisted of songs by Mrs. J. T. Grimes, and Miss Viola Grimes. Next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. J. C. Wisner.

Heatherdale. Six members met in the Hall for the January meeting. Expenses for lecture were paid, and \$20.00 was paid toward painting walls

of schoolroom. At a lecture, kindly given by the Rev. D. M. Sinclair for the benefit of the W. I., a large sum was realized. An excellent musical programme added greatly to the evening's enjoyment, and the members held a sale of candy during intermission. Next month the members will meet at Mrs. S. M. Martin's home.

East Baltic Institute meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Robert Craig, and was attended by six members and three visitors. \$5.00 was voted towards each of the Orphanages, and a new map has been bought for the school. Two new members were welcomed at this meeting. The hostess for next meeting will be Mrs. Robert MacGregor.

# Oratory Championship, 1929

## Canadian and International Oratorical Contests

Canadian winner, as in previous years, will be given a travelling scholarship in the form of a trip to Europe, with all expenses paid.

This Canadian winner will also represent Canada in the International Championship.

The Charlottetown Guardian, in conjunction with newspapers and committees in other provinces of Canada and in other countries of the world, is again conducting the Canadian and International Oratorical Competitions which were so outstandingly successful in 1927 and 1928. In individual School Competitions in this Province, any subject may be used, but in the District, Provincial and Canadian Championships one of the following four subjects must be used—"Canada Among the Nations"; "The Unification of Canada"; "The Peoples of Canada"; "Canada's Economic Development."

The contests will be open, without charge, to pupils, boys and girls, in high schools, Grades Nine and Ten, secondary schools, collegiate institutes and other recognized educational institutions below University grade.

The Guardian again is fortunate in having the co-operation of the Director and Department of Education, the Principals and Faculties of Prince of Wales College and St. Dunstan's University, and The Teachers Association.

The first step in the contest is for each school to hold a contest to determine its own champions. The province will be divided into districts. There will be a competition at a point in each of these districts to determine the district champions. It is at these district competitions that the champions of the individual schools will compete.

The winners of each of the districts will come to Charlottetown, as guests of The Charlottetown Guardian and at its expense, to compete for Provincial championship. The winners of this contest will receive suitable prizes from The Charlottetown Guardian.

Similar competitions will be held in other provinces of the Dominion. Following these provincial championships, the winner from each province will go to a selected city to compete for the Canadian Championship. The Prince Edward Island winner will go to the Canadian Contest as guest of The Charlottetown Guardian, with all expenses paid.

The Canadian champion will be given a travelling scholarship in the form of a free trip to Europe, as guest of the newspapers and committees in the various provinces which are conducting the contests.

The Canadian winner, after his European trip, will go to Washington or some other selected centre to compete in the International Championship.

### WHO MAY ENTER

Boys and girls who on February 1, 1929, are less than 19 years of age and who are enrolled as pupils in a high school or collegiate institute or other recognized educational institution below University grade including grades nine and ten.

### HOW TO ENTER

In the Province entries may be made, either direct to The Charlottetown Guardian, or to the principals themselves.

### THE ORATIONS

Orations must be original and must not take more than 10 minutes in delivery. They may be delivered in English or French.

### THE DATES

School competitions not later than March 15.

District finals—Not later than April 20.

Provincial finals, in Charlottetown—By May 3.

Canadian finals—About May 15.

European trip—Begins early in July.

International finals—in October.

### OFFICIALS

National Chairman for Canada—Main Johnston, Toronto Daily Star.

Canadian Committee—Miss Myrtle Patterson, Vancouver Sun; C. A. Hayden, Calgary Herald; C. R. Morrison, Edmonton Journal; Hon. R. A. Hoey, Minister of Education, Manitoba; Hon. Cyril F. Delage, Superintendent of Education, Quebec; Prof. A. Stanley Walker, representing Halifax Herald; Frank Walker, Charlottetown Guardian.

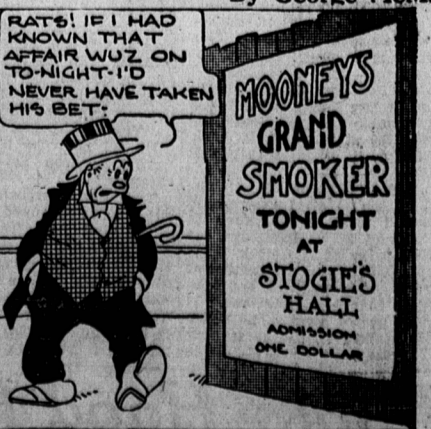
Department of Education—Professor H. H. Shaw, Director; Principal Robertson, Principal Murphy, Professor Lloyd Shaw, Mr. Braden Jelly, President of the Teachers Association.

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### BRINGING UP FATHER



—By George McManus