

1947.

Grande Prairie Women's Institute
Minute Book.

Officers for 1947.

President	Mrs. D. W. Patterson
1st Vice President	Mrs. A. Wishart
2nd Vice President	Mrs. F. Spicer
Secretary	Mrs. Hugh Mac Donald
Treasurer	Mrs. A. Flanagan

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Mrs. A. Wilson. Mrs Ward
Mrs Bouchar.

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Agriculture and Canadian Industry.	Mrs Bishop
Citizenship	Mrs. Ward
Household Economics	Mrs. Meltzer
Publicity and Radio	Mrs. Kowinsky
Post War Work.	Mrs. Wilson + Mrs. M ^{rs} Farlane
Social Welfare	Mrs M ^{rs} Fetridge.

Auditors

Mrs. Swallow, Mrs. Ireland.

Jan 1947.

Minutes of the January meeting of the
Grande Prairie Women's Institute.

Nineteen members and one guest met at
the home of Mrs Bell for the first institute
meeting in 1947.

Mrs Patterson presiding, opened the meeting
by the singing of O Canada and the re-
peating of the Institute Creed in unison.

The Secretary read the minutes of the Annual
meeting with a small correction these
minutes were adopted. The Treasurer's report
showed a balance as at the end of Nov.
of \$90.09. receipts in Dec. \$5.13. Expenses \$34.34
Balance \$60.88. Mrs Macfarlane seconded
this report.

Letter read from Miss Ross, matron at hospital,
acknowledging with thanks, on behalf of the
patients and herself, the lovely gifts of
flowers sent them at Christmas.

Mrs Spicer reported on the purchase of
these flowers, said they were lovely, that
the florist gave her the very best he had, she
moved that this bill be paid, Mrs Wilson
seconded, carried.

Mrs Macfarlane reporting for Post-War Work
asked that old clothing be gathered to send

to the Inuit Relief Committee, and
asked the members if they could, to bring
quilt blocks to the next meeting, as she
was making a quilt for ^{this} relief work, all
the members promised, she also reminded
us that the Post-War project for Feb. was an
outfit for a small child.

Mrs Macdonald reported, a member
of the Council informed her, that, in the
early spring work would commence
on the cemetery, this being the result
of a request presented to the Council
by the different organizations headed by the
W.S. for the improvement of Cemetery.

Mrs Patterson welcomed our
guest Mrs Phillips, who later in the evening
joined our institute.

A Baby cup was presented to
Mrs MacMillan, as a gift for her baby
daughter, Mrs MacMillan thanked the
ladies for the cup and also for their
note of good wishes.

Mrs Macelbridge read a letter
from Mrs Newcombe in connection
with handicraft outlining the work

being done by the Institutes.

Mrs. Swallow announced that she was going to Edmonton to the N.R.C. Conference, asked if anyone had any complaints they wished to put before the conference, she was asked to enquire about the release of children's underwear.

Mrs. Patterson discussed the need of having a good bank balance, that it was hoped for that in the near future a Recreation Center and other needed needs projects would be undertaken, and that the Women's Institute would want to be ready to do their part in assisting with any worthy cause. Asked the members to put out feelers as to what the other organizations were doing, perhaps we could co-operate with them and together sponsor something worth while as a means of making money.

Mrs. Thomson read the Year's program as drawn up by herself and her Committee, with a few changes this program was approved on a motion by Mrs. Kowinsky, seconded by Mrs.

Spicer, carried.

Mrs. Patterson now introduces Alice O'Brien and Stanley Pearcey, and turned the meeting over to them. Alice played several pieces on the piano which was a perfect prelude to the most interesting talk. Stanley gave on the purpose and object of Teen-town. Stanley thanked the ladies for the invitation to come & talk at their meeting, said at first he just could not understand it as it was the first time that anyone had asked them or taken an interest in Teen-town except for work or raise money which they were always glad to do. He outlined the purpose of Teen-town as a means for youth to get together in clean, wholesome enjoyment, to become good citizens, he asked the parents to be more understanding with their children and take a greater interest in their doings, told of their paper or radio program, film nights and dancing, and most of all of the great need of a re-creation center. Mrs. Patterson expressed the opinion of us

all, when she said, she thought it was the most interesting talk we have ever had. We all felt when Stanley was done talking that we wanted to do so much for our youth. Mrs Kowinsky moved a vote of thanks to Stanley and Alice, Mrs Helsa seconded.

Mrs Phillips joined as a new member. Clements paid their fees.

On a motion by Mrs Ward seconded by Mrs Thomson the meeting adjourned.

Mrs Waigand and Mrs MacDonald assisted the hostess in serving a delicious lunch. Mrs Helter supplied the doughnuts.

Lina Mae Donald, Sec.
Rose Patterson, Pres.

Feb. 1947.

Minutes of the February meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute.

On Feb 6th, 19 members of the Women's Institute and 2 guests met at the home of Mrs Thomson for the monthly meeting, Mrs Patterson, the president presiding. After the singing of O Canada the institute creed was repeated in unison. The minutes of the Jan. meeting were read and adopted. The treasurer's report showed a balance as at the end of Dec. of \$60.88, receipts in Jan. \$ 14.35 Expenses 11.38 balance. 63.85. Mrs. Bishop sec. this report.

A letter was read from Mrs Manley, who because of the coming of a welcome event find it necessary to resign from the all outside activities. Mrs Patterson read a letter from Mr. H. J. Flemming in connection with health bulletin, enquiring if the Institute would care to have any copies. The 1947 programs so artistically prepared by Mrs Manley were distributed the secretary was advised to write Mrs. Manley thanking her for the programs and expressing our regrets, is losing so valuable a member, also our good wishes. A letter also to be written

Mr. Fleming informing him that the members of the Institute would be pleased to receive copies of the Health Bulletin. Pamphlets on "How to prevent Accidents from the Robin Hood Flour Mills" were distributed. A question was asked as to what the Conveners evening on the program meant. Mrs. Patterson explained that each convener was to give a five minute talk on recent events, or on the subject they were convening. Mrs. Marton wrote advising to send shipment to her for the Quatarian Relief Work. Mrs. Wilson reporting on Post-War Work, discussed the packing of boxes for the U. R. W. asked that all articles be sent to Mrs. MacFarlane by the end of Feb. It was decided not to make slippers from the felt hats, to send them as they are. It was moved by Mrs. Thomson and sec. by Mrs. Kelter that \$5.00 be allocated to the secretary for necessary expenses. Mrs. Swallow reporting on the conference of the Women's Regional Advisory Board, said there was not much to report, prices of clothing going up, Children's

underwear would soon be on the market in good supplies. Mrs. Macdonald showed lantern slides of Mrs. Crawford's beautiful garden and of Hudson Hope. Mrs. O'Brien and Mrs. Wright were introduced to give us a talk on the swimming pool, Mrs. O'Brien told of the work being done by the Kiwanis in connection with the swimming pool, the amount of money on hand, and the help needed. Mrs. Wright suggested the Institute take one project for the swimming pool as their goal, a diving board was suggested. Mrs. Patterson thanked Mrs. O'Brien and Mrs. Wright for their interesting talk on the pros and cons of the swimming pool. Mrs. Patterson next asked for suggestions for means of making money, after some discussion, Mrs. Macdonald ^{made a motion} suggested we have a raffle of groceries, a sale of Home Looking and a tea on March 15th. Mrs. Mack seconded, carried. Mrs. MacMillan suggested we also put nylon hose in the raffle as an added attraction. Mrs. Macdonald offered to take charge of the raffle, assisted by

Mrs MacMillan and Mrs Figgers. Mrs Thomson offered their store to display the raffle, Mrs Patterson to ask for the church basement and dishes, Mrs Stocker to make the posters, Mrs MacDonaed to see to the advertising, on club calendar, screen and press. Mrs Kelter read the revised handicraft prepared by herself and Mrs McFetridge. Mrs Boucher suggested, we keep in mind teen-age and give them a help when needed. The social evening for March was discussed. Mrs MacDonaed, Mrs MacMillan and Mrs Figgers in charge of the entertainment. Mrs Carroll moved a vote of thanks to Mrs MacDonaed for the picture slides. Five (5) members paid their fees. Two new members. Mrs Bell moved the meeting adjourn, Mrs Spicer seconded. Mrs Bishop and Mrs Ward assisted the hostess in serving a delicious lunch which brought an interesting meeting to a close.

Lina MacDonaed Sec.
Grace Whelan Treas. P. 10.

Minutes of the March Meeting of the Grand
Prairie Women's Institute.

Mar 1947

On March 6th, eighteen members, ^{of the W.S.} and one guest, met at the home of Mrs Spicer for their monthly meeting. In the absence of Mrs Patterson, the president, Mrs Michael Vice-president presided. The meeting opened with the repeating of the Institute Oath. The minutes of the Feb. meeting were read and adopted as read. The treasurer's report showed a balance as at the end of Jan. of \$63.85 receipts in Feb \$8.85 expenses \$5.25 balance \$67.45. Mrs MacFarlane seconded this report.

Arrangements for the St. Patrick's Tea to be held Mar 15th were completed. A White Elephant and Novelty sale, Home Cooking table Raffle of Grocery Stamp and Rayon Hose. Mrs Swallow to convene the tea, Mrs MacDonaed, on the decorating, Mrs Bell and Mrs Thomson on Home Cooking, Mrs Kelter and Mrs McFetridge on the White Elephant sale Mrs Stocker and Mrs Leclaud Novelty, Mrs Wilson, Mrs Henning, Mrs Lowensky and Mrs MacFarlane in the kitchen, Mrs Spicer and Mrs Carroll to pour tea, Mrs MacDonaed

in charge of the raffle. six ladies appointed to wait on table. Each member to donate to the different tables. Mrs Thomson made a motion authorizing the Committee to spend the necessary money for decorating etc. Mrs Macmillan seconded. Carried.

Mrs McFetridge reported that Mrs Gule donated cotton batting for quilt filling to the institute. Mrs Kowensky moved a letter of thanks be written Mrs Gule, Mrs Wilson seconded. Correspondence read.

A letter from Mrs Morton in connection with two shirts of Federal seals, bearing the crest of the Federated Women's Institute, these seals to be sold to the W. I. members.

Mrs Bell moved and Mrs Macmillan seconded that \$1.00 worth be purchased for the president's use and 50¢ worth for the secretary. Carried.

Another letter was read from Mrs Robertson in connection with a scholarship for the W. C. T. U. to help teachers in scientific education on the evil of alcohol. Mrs Macmillan made a motion to allocate \$3.00 to the W. C. T. U. toward this scholarship Mrs Thomson seconded. Carried.

Mrs Harb moved a letter be written Mrs Kelsh who has gone to Ponce Coupe, expressing our regrets in losing so valuable a member and wishing her every happiness in her new home, Mrs McFetridge seconded.

Mrs MacFarlane reporting on post-war work - said a 160 lb. box of clothing was packed and shipped to the Canadian Relief Work, 2 quilts were made and donated by the South Side Sewing Club, and socks and mitts were knitted and donated by Mrs Carroll, that she still had quite a lot more to pack later. \$5.00 was voted to Mrs MacFarlane for post war work on a motion by Mrs Bell, seconded by Mrs Swallow, Carried.

Mrs Kowensky read a letter from Mrs Morton in connection with an essay the Lady Tweedsmuir Silver Cup Competitions that will be presented to the Institute members of Canada for the Best Tweedsmuir Village Box, the best shipping bag and an essay on the box. I most enjoyed. A letter from the local W. C. T. U. in connection with the

3rd beer license in Grande Prairie was discussed at length.

All business completed the evening Mrs Richard turned the meeting over to the committee in charge of the entertainment, with games and shrieks of laughter as each member acted her part of the young girl or the stately Grandmother a hilarious hour of fun was enjoyed, then we proceed to the dining-room, where from an artistically layed table we each helped ourselves to a lovely jellied salad and bread and butter, followed by delicious angel food cake, and coffee served from the kitchen by Miss Margaret Spicer and Mrs Neil Jr.

Mrs Richard moved a vote of thanks to the ladies for very enjoyable evening. Mrs Bill moved that all bills in connection with the party be paid, seconded & approved by all. A motion to adjourn by Mrs Bill brought brought this very enjoyable evening to a close.

Lina Mac Donald, Sec.
Rose Patterson Pres.

1947 Minutes of the April meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute.
April:

On April 3rd, seventeen (17) members and one guest met at the home of Mrs Snaiton for the Institute monthly meeting. After the singing of O'Canada, and the repeating of the Institute Creed the secretary read the minutes of the March meeting, these minutes were adopted as read. The treasurer then read her report which showed a balance as at the end of Feb. of \$67.45; receipts in March \$245.17 expenses \$10.35 balance 272.29 Mrs Helter, sec. This report. Mrs Patterson thanked all the ladies who helped to make the tea held March 15th, the splendid success it was, made special mention of the lovely posters made by Mrs Stehr. \$209.75 was realized - A motion was made by Mrs Figgers and seconded by Mrs Snaiton that the secretary write the secretary of the Kinsman's Club informing them that \$200.00 was deposited in our bank account and earmarked for the Swimming pool, at their disposal when they were ready to use it.

A letter was read from Mrs Robinson acknowledging receipt of \$5.00 for the U. S. I. U. Moved by Mrs Komensky and seconded by Mrs Wishart that the usual gift of flowers be sent to the hospital at Geaster, Garies.

Mrs Patterson gave a brief account of the N. S. Provincial Council meeting in Calgary which she attended. an outline on Mrs Morton's plans and ideas for the coming Convention to be held May 28th 29th + 30th. Not so many outside speakers and more discussion on Institute work by the different conveners. Of Dr Whittles talk on Social Welfare. A suggestion that a delegate be sent from Alberta to the conference in Amsterdam. Mrs Morton name mentioned as delegate.

A motion by Mrs Bishop seconded by Mrs Leave that Constituency fees be paid. Carried. On a motion by Mrs McFetridge seconded by Mrs Henning and Carried Mrs MacFarlane was chosen as delegate to the Convention in Calgary May 28th to 30th with Mrs Wishart as alternate.

Mrs Swallow made a motion that all bills be paid, Mrs Muter seconded, Carried. Mrs Patterson welcomed our guest, expressed a hope that she would join the Institute. She then introduced the guest speaker of the evening, Mr Northington. Mr Northington took for his subject Meteorology. With maps and diagrams he gave an interesting illustration of cloud formations, wind, humidity of the general conditions found at different altitudes, and of the great importance all this information is to the pilot.

Mr & Mrs Petridge moved the meeting adjourn. The lovely lunch served by the hostess assisted by Mrs Boucher and Mrs Leave brought the meeting to a close.

Lina M^{rs} Donald, Sec.
Rose Patterson Pres.

1949 Minutes of the May meeting of the
Grande Prairie Women's Institute.

May - Twenty-one members and one guest met
at the home of Mrs. S. W. Patterson on May 1st
for the monthly meeting of the
Women's Institute.

The meeting opened with the singing
of O Canada and the repetition of the
Institute Creed. Mrs. Patterson, the
president presiding. Minutes of the
April meeting were read and adopted.
Correspondence consisted of, letter of
acknowledgement from secretary
H. D. T. N. for \$5.00 received. letter re. relief
for Greece, letter re. Cancer fund, and a
letter from Miss Ross, matron at hospital,
acknowledging with thanks gift of
flowers for patients at Easter.

Convention paper was read in connection
with the coming convention duties.

On a motion by Mrs. Bell, seconded by
Mrs. Spicer the Cancer fund letter was
tabled, carried. Mrs. Macdonald was
appointed to represent the W.I. at the
Greece Campaign Fund drive.

Treasurer's report showed a balance

as at the end of ^{March} February of \$272.27
Receipt in April \$12.60 Expenses \$24.80 Bal.
\$260.07. Mrs. Macfarlane seconded, this report
Moved by Mrs. Wilson and seconded by
Mrs. Lowensky that all bills be paid. Carried.
Mrs. Macfarlane thanked the members for
choosing her as their delegate to the
Convention, but was sorry she could
not accept as she had other arrange-
ments made. Mrs. Wishart, Alternate
choice, kindly consented to be our delegate
there. It was moved by Mrs. Strautic
and seconded by Mrs. Lowensky that the
June meeting be postponed for one week
to allow the delegate time to prepare her
report. Carried. Moved by Mrs. Spicer and
seconded by Mrs. Wishart that flowers
be sent to Mrs. Howard at Loxsmith
\$3.50 allowed for flowers and Mrs.
Spicer to attend to the purchasing
and sending of them. Carried.
Discussion on the sending of a
delegate to Amsterdam Mrs. Morton
likely delegate.
Resolutions for Convention read and

discussed and opinionous voices.

Mrs Patterson introduced Mrs Schaft and gave the meeting over to her. Mrs Smart had arranged a musical program. Vocal solos, piano solos, piano duet and a reading. Mrs Patterson expressed the appreciation of the members to Mrs Smart for this splendid program. She also expressed regrets on Mrs Smart's departure from Grande Prairie and thanked her for her active part in the musical life of Grande Prairie. Mrs Stocker moved a vote of thanks to Mrs Smart & her assistance, sec. by Mrs Korvensky.

Mrs Hemming, Mrs Flaugan and Mrs Figger assisted the hostess in sewing a delicious lunch.

Mrs Bell moved the meeting adjourn.

Lina Macdonald, Sec.
Rose Patterson Pres.

June
1947

Minutes of the June Meeting of the Grande Prairie Homeis Institute

The monthly meeting of the Grande Prairie Homeis Institute was held at the home of Mrs. H. Sharpe on June 11th with fifteen members and one guest present. Mrs Patterson, presiding. The meeting opened with the singing of O' Canada followed by the Institute Creed.

The secretary played hockey and went to a picnic. ^{Whying back late} Mrs Korvensky kindly acted as secretary and read the minutes of the May meeting - these were adopted as read. ^{Mrs. report read and} sec. by Mrs Bishop.

Mrs Spicer reported on the flowers sent to Mrs Howard at Sedsmith and how much they were appreciated. Mrs Patterson told that Mr. O'Brien reported purchasing a Diving Board for the swimming pool at a cost of \$175.00. as \$200.00 was earmarked for the swimming pool. we ^{decided to} ~~decided to~~ keep the \$25.00 for a nest egg. Mrs Patterson also explained of the voting of Mrs. Michael's expenses to ^{convention} ~~conference~~ as it was omitted at the

may meeting. It was suggested that a gift be purchased for Mrs Mauley's baby in acknowledgement of her work in preparing the program books. Mrs Spruce to attend to it.

Mrs Patterson reported on the suggestion that Mrs Morton be sent as a delegate to Amsterdam, that it was the almost unanimous wish of the convention that she be sent, as the A. S. W. W. had been asked for plans for funding Europe it is very nice to feel that the Alberta Women's Institute can voice their opinions through their Provincial President, it will therefore be necessary that each branch contribute generously to Mrs Morton's expenses, it was decided that the Grande Prairie Institute members give at least 50% taking the balance from the treasury to make a total of \$25.00. donations to be left with Mrs Flanagan, treasurer as near July 1st as possible, to be sent to Mrs M. Gorman not later than July 10th. This suggestion was made a motion by Mrs M. Petridge and seconded by Mrs Figgins,

carried. Mrs Patterson announced the date of the Constituency Conference as June 8th. at Rio Grande, transportation was discussed Mrs Figgins consented to take charge of this. It was at first thought that a bus might be possible but on phoning and finding the cost would be \$50.00 and they could accommodate 30 passengers this was decided against, those wishing to go and any one knowing who could take their car to get in touch with Mrs Figgins. Mrs M. Petridge said the ribbons for the handicraft were not ready, and asked for volunteers to help her get them ready. Mrs Patterson now called for the report on the Convention. Mrs Wishart first thanked the members for sending her as their delegate, she gave a very splendid report. Told that the Cancer Fund had been chosen as the Provincial project of the N.S. over a ton of clothing besides gifts and foods had been sent overseas from Alberta's N.S. that in future parcels be sent privately or through C. A. R. C. That Mrs Patterson was again elected

as District Director, as Mrs Johnson from the North side of the river was unable to act. (Mrs Peplaine) due to circumstances over which she has no control. Mrs Patterson also appointed delegate to the Federated Convention. Calgary's N.I. members put on a play, Growth of the N.I. This was very good, told of a blind lady, Mrs Johnson Pres. of Grimshaw N.I. who gave a little talk on N.I. work, mentioned a special handicraft display they were taken to see at the Allied Art Council exhibit in Western Canada High School. That the Quilt winning first prize was sent to Lady Reading of England who showed much interest in N.I. work. Special mention was given on several occasions to the Peace River districts, it was a friendly but busy Convention. All resolutions were dealt with. One minute silence for our departed members and of course the singing of O'Canada and Salute to the Flag.

Mrs Patterson next welcomed our guest and introduced her Mrs Fugner &

of Crawford Park, Manitoba, and asked her to tell us something of their N.I. she told of the work of the Supervisor in the organizing of branches, and of their sewing and scrap box of quilts. She also extended greetings from her members and Mrs Patterson sent greetings to her members from Grande Prairie N.I.

Mrs Korowsky was appointed delegate to the Conference at Rio Grande with Mrs Boucher as alternate. (The wayward returned) Mrs Macdonald reported on Cemetery that the work is going forward and that the Town has set aside a goodly sum of money for this purpose, also reported on a needy family, Mrs McFetridge and ^{Mr} Macdonald ^{will assist} to attend to the case, any one having any old clothing to send it to these ladies as soon as possible, ^{she} also reported on the Greek Relief Drive, and brought up the matter of the Red Cross meeting to arrange for the Blood Donor Clinic in July. Mrs Spicer consented to represent the N.I. at this meeting. Mrs Patterson now introduced the guest speaker Mr Pratt

he took for his subject Insurance, history of the origin of insurance, that in 1660 it developed as a pledge between owners of ships at first it was just a pledge, no premiums or policy. Then they thought members would be more interested in business insurance, household furniture, automobiles, hail until today you can have all your belongings insured, even your pen & pencil set. many facts were unfolded that had not been known before about insurance. Mrs Patterson thanked Mr Pratt for his splendid talk and how much it was enjoyed by all. Mrs Macdonald moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mr Pratt and Mrs Nilson seconded. Mrs Swallow moved & Mrs Bishop seconded the meeting adjourn. A lovely lunch was then served by the hostess assisted by Mrs Carroll and Mrs Strautin which brought our meeting to a close until we meet again in Sept.

{ dictated by
Mrs Kowensky }

Louise Mac Donald Sec.
Rose Patterson Pres.

1947. Minutes of the Sept. meeting of the
Grand Prairie Women's Institute.
Sept.

On Sept 4th 18 members and 8 guests met at the home of Mrs Kowensky for the monthly meeting of the Women's Institute. The meeting opened with the singing of O Canada followed by the reciting of the Institute Creed. Mrs Patterson the president presiding. The minutes of the June meeting were read and after the correction of a name were adopted as read. Treasurer's report showed a balance as at the end May of \$216.12 receipts June \$20.30. Expenses \$26.50. leaving a balance of \$209.92 Mrs Macfarlane seconded this report. Correspondence consisted of a letter from Mrs Kitney in connection with the Film Library asking for a representative from the W.I. to attend their next meeting. Mrs Patterson explained fully the advantages of the use of these films and asked for a volunteer to represent the W.I. at their meeting on Sept 5th. Mrs Macfarlane very kindly consented. A letter was also read from the Kinsmen Club acknowledging our donation to the

swimming pool. Mrs. Patterson told of Mrs. Gibson calling her, asking if the N. S. ladies would cater to a dinner she replied in behalf of the members that during the summer holidays ~~the~~ many of the ladies were away ~~and~~ that it would be impossible to cater to their dinner. Mrs. Patterson then told that funds in the treasury were getting low, and asked for suggestions to raise money. Mrs. Kowensky made a motion and Mrs. Figgins seconded that we table this until next meeting and each member come prepared with ideas and suggestions for making money. Carried. Mrs. Patterson then told that Mrs. Kowensky was the new Constituency Convener. Next she welcomed and greeted the Kingston Hill N. S. members, a special welcome to an 81 year old lady from Ontario who is an honorary member of the N. S. in her home town, also a hearty welcome to Mrs. O'Brien who is a past

members of the G. P. N. S. ^{to} Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Soden who have recently moved to G. P. Mrs. Kowensky read her report on the Constituency Conference held at Rio Grande on June 18th. That 51 signed the request book. Mrs. Doves of Rio Grande welcomed the delegates and visitors. Mrs. Borden of Valhalla replied. The reports from the different branches showed the splendid amount of work done. That the project chosen at the Convention is the support of Cancer Research, much praise was given to Mrs. MacMillan for her untiring service & expressions of regrets that she is leaving the district. A delightful play was presented by the pupils of the Hazelmere school. \$60,000. was raised in the province by 216 branches - 25 of these branches new ones. Only \$4000.00 of this amount was put back into N. S. The rest used in the purchase of jam, and other food, and clothing for Britain and Europe. There are 32 Constituencies and 4 Districts. A vote of thanks was extended to all who helped in any way to make this Conference

The great success it was. Mrs Thomson seconded this report.

The Roll Call followed. "Where I spent my holidays" was answered with very witty and amusing remarks.

Bouquets were next presented to the eight grandmothers which they proudly wore. The remainder of the evening was taken up with reminiscence of early days in the Grande Prairie district and the trials and adventures encountered by en-route here from Edmonton and Winnipeg by Mrs Nichart, Mrs Thomson, Mrs Murchie, Mrs Godfrey, Mrs Rawson of Ontario told of her brothers experience here and Glainmont.

A flower Quiz was much enjoyed with Mrs Godfrey naming the most of the flowers in the bouquet placed all about the rooms and Mrs Mackellan answering the most of the Quiz. A bouquet was presented to each winner Mrs Godfrey moved a hearty vote of thank to the members of the Grande Prairie Womens Institute on behalf

of herself and the other Kluskus Hill members present for a very enjoyable evening. Mrs Patterson expressed pleasure in having them with us. Mrs Nichart moved and Mrs Anantix sec. that the meeting adjourn. A delightful lunch served by the hostess assisted by Mrs Patterson and Mrs Macdonald brought this very enjoyable meeting to a close.

Lina Macdonald, Sec.
Rose Patterson Pres.

1947
Oct

Minutes of the October meeting of the
Grande Prairie Women's Institute

On October 2nd twenty members and
three guests met at the home of Mrs.
D. O. Carroll for the monthly meeting
Mrs Patterson presiding.

Minutes of the Sept. meeting were read
and adopted. Treas. report showed a balance
as at the end of June of \$209.92, receipts
in Sept. \$5.05. No expenses, balance \$214.97.
Mrs Phillips seconded this report.

A letter read from Mr. Figgures, Sec. Local
Film Council asking for a donation
from Women's Institute to help purchase
a new projector. This letter was discussed
and it was decided to table it until
some money could be raised as the
state of the treasury was very low.

Mrs. Macfarlane gave a splendid report
on the Local Film Council meeting she
attended, told of their need for a new
projector as the one now in use is on
loan from the National Film Board
and that all organizations were asked
to donate as generously as possible,
told of the many interesting films, on
the beauty, industries and resources

of our country, adult education, things
of interest to teen-age, also weaving,
leathermaking and many other pictures
of interest. Mrs Macfarlane also reported
on the Red Cross meeting she attended
in connection with the coming Blood
Clinic, told of arrangements made
for the clinic to be held Oct 6-7 at
the Officers Mess Rooms at the old
barracks Mrs Swallow seconded these
reports.

Mrs. Patterson told of her visit to Klusken
Hill Women's Institute in the capacity
of District Director on Sept 24th Mrs
Kowensky, Constituent Convenor and
three other members of the executive
accompanied her. She discussed N.S.
work, suggested the forming of a
library and offered support from
the Grande Prairie members. in
books and magazines, she asked the
members if they had any books or maga-
zines to spare if they would bring them
to her place she would see they got to
Klusken Hill. Many offered used books.

11 Mrs. Kowensky gave a talk on the making of rugs and quilts and handiwork in general. Mrs. Patterson said the visit was very much enjoyed by all. She next expressed regrets on the departure of Mrs. Newcomb, Convener of handiwork at Peace River, for District 1. No successor has been appointed as yet. Mrs. Patterson then talked on the program for next month, asked each convener of Standing Committee to prepare a brief talk on the work accomplished.

How and means to raise money was the next discussion, many suggestions were offered, teas, talent money and many different names of bridge parties, vote went in favor of a public bridge. Mrs. Hiskart made a motion, see by Mrs. McFetridge that a public bridge be held Oct 15th at the Officers Mess Rooms if the place is available. Carried. Mrs. Macdonald was asked to make enquiries re Officers old mess rooms. Other Committees were formed to act as soon as permission to use rooms were secured. Mrs. Hiskart

Mrs. Spicer Mrs. Philips and Mrs. Skinning on the refreshment, Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Sadder making of tickets, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Mee Millan Mrs. Snautik, Mrs. Flanagan & Mrs. Macdonald on all other arrangements.

Mrs. Patterson introduces the guest speaker, Miss Cecilla Connelly. Miss Connelly's topic handiwork was most interesting and well delivered. Invited the members to phone or write her if there was anything she could help with she would be very pleased to do so, that they could borrow any of her books for a period of two weeks, asked them to drop into the office and look at some of the booklets and exhibits that there might be something of interest there and that she would go to their homes to help with any of their problems in handiwork, discussed knitting, leathercraft, rug making, weaving, needlecraft, glove making, stencilling, needlepoint, clay modeling, showing books and drawings on each subject as she discussed it. Suggested that

The N.S. purchase a set of 10¢ booklets published by the Canadian Spool Cotton Co. for their own use.

Mrs Patterson thanked Miss Connolly for this very interesting discussion. Mrs Bishop moved and Mrs MacMillan seconded a vote of thanks to Miss Connolly.

Mrs Swallow moved the meeting adjourn the hostess, and Mrs Macfarlane and Mrs MacBride then served a delightful lunch

Lina Macdonald, Secy.
Rose Patterson Pres.

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Nov.

Minutes of the November Meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute

Seventeen ladies and one guest met at the home of Mrs Wishart for the November meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute. After the singing of O Canada and the repeating of the Institute's Creed the secy. read the minutes of the October meeting, these minutes were adopted as read.

The President, Mrs Patterson, thanked the ladies for books sent to her to be forwarded to Kluskew Hill Institute library, she said the members at Kluskew Hill were very pleased indeed with the splendid supply of books sent.

A letter from Mrs Mauley was read acknowledging with thanks the gift sent to her baby Douglas by the Institute members.

The treasurer's report showed a balance as at the end of Sept. of \$214.97. receipts in October \$69.03. \$66.50 of this amount was proceeds of the bridge party. Balance \$284.00. Mrs Phillips, sec. this report. Mrs Patterson was very complimentary in her praise and

Thanks to the ladies for their splendid support in making the bridge the success it was. A motion by Mrs Figgures seconded by Mrs Weigand that all bills be paid was carried. The secretary was advised to write letters to Mr Day for use of dishes, to Capt. Mantle for use of rooms and to Mr Bowen for tables and chairs.

Mrs Wilson gave a short report on the Film Council meeting she attended, said the main discussion money for a news projector.

A motion by Mrs Snautin, sec. by Mrs Kowensky and carried \$20.00 was allocated to the Film Council Board.

A motion was made by Mrs Kelter seconded by Mrs Bouchon that flowers be sent to our sick members, Mrs Macfarlane in Edmonton, Mrs Ward in hospital and Mrs Suland at home, \$6.00. was voted for this purpose and Mrs Spicer to be asked to attend to it. Carried. Moved and seconded by Mrs Bell

and Mrs Bishop that \$1.20 be added to Mrs Wilson's account to purchase material to furnish a quilt for the needy family

reported by Mrs McFetridge, Carried.

Mrs Bishop suggested the members make quilt blocks to have in readiness for future needs.

Mrs Patterson discussed the fruit cakes made by Mrs Smart and put them on display, it was decided to raffle them, Mrs Flanagan offered to make tickets with help from her sewing club ladies, Mrs McFetridge offered to see to the icing, Mrs Wilson said she would have a suitable poster made, Mrs Kowensky offered their store to display the cakes. Tickets to the value of \$50.00 to be made and sold at 10c each, 3 prizes to be given, 1st, 2nd, & 3rd. Draw at our next meeting, Dec 4th.

Mrs Phillips made a motion and Mrs Heming seconded that we turn over the \$200.00 from our account to the swimming pool as previously arranged. Carried. On a motion by Mrs

McFetridge seconded by Mrs Kelter \$20.00 was voted for the Titianic Fund for Britain. Mrs Patterson, Mrs Bouchon

and Mrs. Huantick volunteered to act on the nominating Committee for the 1948 executive. Members were asked to bring to the next meeting suggestions for the 1948 program. The secretary was asked to help Mrs. Swallows with auditing the books as Mrs. Ireland was ill.

The paper or talk prepared by the Standing Committee was called for. Mrs. Bishop gave a splendid paper on Agriculture and Cans. Industry, touched on land erosion, irrigation, edible foods made from Sunflower seeds, that the Can. pulp and paper mills were the best in the world. It is wonderful how much worth while material can be discussed in 7 minutes. Mrs. Welter told of her days at College, in a very humorous way told of how hard study mixed with pleasure and mischief made this the happiest day of her life, this made us all wish we could turn back to school and again enjoy such precious hours. In the absence of Mrs. Hardy - Mrs. Bell read her paper on Citizenship, this paper was also very interesting - so much valuable material

compiled into so little space, Mrs. Nelson spoke on post war work - that now there is not such need for this work, but they are always in readiness to help when asked for for needy Europe and that 160 lbs of clothing was sent to Europe this spring. These papers so carefully and intelligently compiled made us realize it is not so necessary to get outside speakers.

Mrs. Patterson thanked the ladies very sincerely and suggested that these papers be sent to the Home's Institute Loan Collection.

The Roll Call was answered by Last Minute Suggestions for Christmas Gifts; many new ideas was the result from this roll call. Mrs. Weigand moved the meeting adjourn. We were quite prepared and fully enjoyed the dainty lunch served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Phillips and Mrs. Steehr.

Rose Patterson, Pres.
Lina Mae Donald, Secy.
Pres.

1949.
Sec.

Reading Minutes of the Dec. Annual Meeting
of the Grand Prairie Women's Institute.

The annual meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. A. Wilson on Dec. 4th. with nineteen members present and one guest.

After Mrs. Patterson, president presiding. After the singing of O'Canada the Institute Creed was repeated in unison, then the minutes of the Nov. meeting were read and adopted. The president asked for the papers on Citizenship and Agriculture & Can. Industry read at a previous meeting, the conveners did not have the papers with them, they were asked to send them to the secretary who would forward them to the Loan Collection. (I did not receive them).

The Treas. report showed a balance as at the end of Oct of \$284.00 receipts in Nov. \$9.75 expenses \$264.25 leaving a balance of \$29.50. Letters were read from Mrs. Morton re. the Can. Association of Consumers, from Mrs. Macfarlane acknowledging with thanks flowers sent her when ill in Edmonton, a delayed letter from Mrs. Bixell Sec. Home and School Association, soliciting

The support of the Women's Institute for a donation to a fund for prizes to be awarded for the best exhibit of handicrafts by the pupils of the Montrose and Grande Prairie High School, letter from Sister St. Lucy asking for two representatives from this organization at the Festival Annual meeting, Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. McMillan volunteered to act. Mrs. Spier reported sending flowers to sick members. Mrs. Macfarlane reported sending a quilt to a needy family.

Mrs. Patterson thanked each member separately for the part they took in making the success of the raffle of the three Christmas cakes made by Mrs. Smart. Mrs. Waigand winner of the first draw - Mrs. B. Wright, second and Mrs. H. J. Robinson third. A motion was made by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Dove that a small box of food be sent to Mrs. Benhurst in appreciation for the icing of the cakes, Mrs. McFarlane to look after it and the secretary to enclose a note. Mrs. Anautin reported \$72.00.

was realized from this raffle.
The Annual reports were next called for.
The secretary's report showed a full and active year with the usual enthusiasm of each member. Mrs Bishop sec. the adoption of this report. The treasurer's report showed that \$365.03 was raised during the year and \$335.58 spent leaving a balance of \$29.50. This does not include proceeds from raffle. Mrs Phillips sec. this report. Mrs. Kowensky reported on radio & publicity. Mrs. Wilson sec. this report. Mrs McFetridge reported on Social Welfare that boxes of clothing were sent to a needy family in Sidsmith and a quilt and other articles to a local needy family. Mrs Figgins sec. this report. Mrs. Macdonald read Mrs. Macfarlane's post war report - Mrs McFetridge seconded, Mrs Spicer reported on flowers sent to hospital at Easter and Christmas and to members ill. Mrs Stnautix seconded.

The slate of officers for 1948 was presented Mrs Stnautix moved the slate be accepted Mrs Macmillan seconded. Carried. Officers for 1948. Mrs Wickart - president, Mrs Spicer

1st Vice, Mrs Wilson - 2nd Vice, Mrs. Figgins
Treasurer and Mrs Hugh Mac Donald Secretary
Directors. Mrs J. Macfarlane - Mrs D. Stnautix
& Mrs. S. Stewart. Auditors Mrs Swallow
& Mrs Love. Standing Committee
Agriculture & Canadian Industry, Mrs. Bishop
Citizenship - Mrs Lo Bell. Housewife
Economics - Mrs C. Boucher. Radio and
Publicity Mrs L. Kowensky. Social
Welfare Mrs. McFetridge. Representatives
on other organizations. Mrs. Patterson
Library Board - Mrs. Macdonald. C. & G. Mrs.
Mrs. Figgins, Film Board - Mrs. Spicer,
Hospital, Mrs S. Stewart & Mrs Macmillan
Festival Committee.

Mrs Patterson on vacating the Chair
to the new president told of how she
enjoyed her three years as president,
thanked each member in glowing terms
for their splendid co-operation and good
will, said she felt sure they would
continue that same good will and
co-operation to their new president
Mrs Wickart - the new president took the
Chair. The first business was the preparing

of the program for 1948. Mrs Wilson made a motion and Mrs Kowensky seconded, carried that the program Committee consist of the three directors & two or more of the Standing Committee to meet and prepare for approval the program for 1948, with Mrs Stauntis to convene.

The letter from the secretary of Home School Assc. was discussed on a motion by Mrs Bell, sec. by Mrs Henning that this letter be tabled until next meeting carried. Mrs McMan made a motion that \$10.00 be allocated to Mrs Spicer to purchase flowers for the hospital at St. Kishinas - Mrs Kowensky sec. Carried. Mrs Spicer suggested that flowers be sent now to Stan Pearson as he is quite ill, this very kind and charitable thought had the hearty approval of all. The roll call was announced with suggestions for 1948 programs.

A dainty lunch served by the hostess assisted by Mrs Kowensky and Mrs Swallow brought the years work to a delightful end.

Grace O'Neil
Lena Macdonald Sec.
Grace O'Neil Pres.

1948. Minutes of the January meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute.
Jan On Jan. 8th 24 members of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute and one guest met at the home of Mrs. R. McMillan for their ^{first} monthly meeting in 1948. Mrs. Wishart, the president, called the meeting to order, asked all to rise and sing O-Canada, the Institute Creed followed. The secretary was asked for the minutes of the annual meeting these minutes were adopted as read. Business arising from the minutes was discussed. The letter from Home and School Association was first dealt with, on a motion made by Mrs Patterson and seconded by Mrs McFetridge \$10.00. was voted to this association for their handicraft exhibit prizes, carried. The letter from Mrs Morton, re. Canadian Consumers association was discussed and left to be more fully dealt with later in the meeting. The treasurer's report showed a balance as at the end of ~~1947~~ ^{Nov} of \$29.50. receipts in Dec 96.50 expenses 1.70 Balance \$114.30 Mrs Macfarlane seconded this report. Mrs. Spicer

reported on flowers sent to hospital at Christmas and to Staw Bazaar, of how very much they were appreciated.

Mrs Stewart reported on the Festival Committee meeting - said it was well represented & plans and arrangements & new officers were elected, Mrs MacMillan elected secretary.

Correspondence consisted of letters from Mrs. Hard and Mrs. Inland acknowledging with thanks flowers received when they were ill, also a letter of acknowledgement from the Kinross's Club for \$200.00 cheque received for the Swimming Pool said a dining board suitably described would be purchased.

Mrs Hnautik reported on the program arranged for 1948. Mrs Wilson moved the program be accepted as presented Mrs. Spicer seconded carried. Mrs. Kane, Mrs. Strick and Mrs. Solden offered to type and prepare the programs -

Mrs. Wickart expressed sincere thanks to the retiring officers for the splendid work they did during their three years

in office, said she was very sorry she neglected this at the last meeting, and hoped they would accept her apologies, she then welcomed our guest Mrs. Ayne and invited her to join the Institute if at all possible.

Mrs. Mac Millan offered congratulations in the name of the Institute members to Mr and Mrs. Patterson on the occasion of their 25th wedding anniversary.

Mrs Phillip moved that all bills be paid Mrs Stewart seconded - carried.

Mrs. Wickart asked for suggestions to raise money, many suggestions were put forth Valentine Tea, bolt of factory cotton to be purchased and made up for sale, a Leap Year Tea, the leap-year tea carried the vote, a motion was made by Mrs. Hutter seconded by Mrs. Solden that we hold a Leap-Year Tea on Fri Feb 25 if in rink or Saturday Feb 28 if in basement of United Church, carried. Mrs. Bishop and Mrs. McGettrige to interview the parties concerned and have all arrangements and suggestions to present at the

Feb meeting. Mrs Phillip moved and Mrs. Wiegand sec. that \$5.00 be voted for stamps and stationery for the secretary carried.

Mrs Patterson discussed the sending of a box of clothing overseas from the Institute, this box to be packed and shipped before Jan 25th.

Arrangements were made that all donation be sent to Mrs M. Fetridge and her helpers Mrs Patterson made a motion that \$5.00. be voted to the Social Welfare

convention for necessary expenses. Mrs. Hemming sec. Carried. Fifteen members

paid their fees. We have three new members this year. Mrs Moore, Mrs Stewart and Mrs Saldew. Mrs Nelson & Mrs. Hemming offered to help with lunch for next meeting.

Film picture "Four Seasons" of much interest was shown by Mrs Figgens Mrs. Flanagan moved the meeting adjourn.

The delicious lunch served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Bishop brought our first meeting in 1948 to a happy close.
Lina M. Donald sec
Grace O. Whitson pres

Minutes of Feb meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute

Feb 1948. The February meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs Wiegand with 19 members present and 2 guests. Mrs Michart, president, presiding. The meeting was called to order with the singing of O. Canada, followed by the Institute Greeting. Minutes of the January meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report showed a balance as at the end of Dec. of \$114.30, receipts in Jan & expenses Net 25 Balance 67.

Mrs Swallow sec. This report.

Mrs M. Fetridge reported on the box sent overseas, told of all the lovely things it contained, of the generous donations, mentioned specially Mr. Kowensky who donated several pairs of shoes from his store, the box weighed 120 lbs. secretary was advised to write Mr. Kowensky expressing our thanks for this splendid donation.

Mrs Stratton passed around the very original and artistically prepared programs for 1948. Mrs Michart spoke on the programs and gave much praise to the ladies who

prepared them, and to Mrs Stuehr for her appropriate and dainty design. Mrs Kominsky moved a vote of thanks to ladies for the programs and Mrs Patterson seconded. Mrs Kominsky reporting on Radio, told all members to listen on Friday from 3 to 4 to Mrs Morton's transcribed talk on her trip to Amsterdam. Mrs Patterson moved and Mrs Henning seconded that the secretary write a letter to Q. F. M. P. thanking them for the time given to this talk and how much we enjoyed it.

Correspondence.

Letter read from Mrs Bickell in acknowledgement of cheque of \$10.00 received by Home Ed School Association for prizes to school exhibits, letter from Mrs Morton stating the objectives of the first three months, Jan. Clothing, Feb. Food for Britain and Holland, March. Layette articles. To send clothing to Mrs M^{rs} Borman also to get addresses for Oversea Food parcels from her, and to enclose a card with the secretary's name and the branch, in each parcel

to mark parcel Unsolicited Gift interior of Princess Elizabeth on the outside, to put no tobacco or clothing in food parcels, also told how to compile The Swedonian Histories for competition by H.S. members across Canada.

Discussed the proposed Leap Year Tea. Mrs Bishop reported the price of rooms could be secured for Feb 25th but that the Ladies Curling Club asked the H.S. members to cater to their bonspiel at the coffee bar. This proposal was discussed at length, it was finally decided it was worth a trial. On a motion by Mrs Stuart, sec. by Mrs Henning that we cater to the Ladies Bonspiel at the Coffee bar instead of the Leap Year Tea, Carried. Mrs M^{rs} Petridge, Mrs Henning and Mrs Stuart were appointed to take charge, and make all arrangements for the Catering. Mrs Wilson made a motion and Mrs Kiegan, sec. that \$2.00 be given Mrs Figgins to purchase stamps + 35¢ be paid Mrs Saldew for paper used on programs. Constitution fees discussed. Mrs Bell

made a motion and Mrs Figgins sec.
that our Constitution fee be raised to
\$10.00 as we were the largest branch, Carried.
Mrs Wilson made a motion that \$25.00
be voted for the purchasing of food parcels
for Britain, Mrs Boucher seconded, Carried
She sec. was advised to write Mrs McEwen
for address of W. Institute in Britain
Mrs McEtridge, Mrs Kowensky and Mrs
Macdonald to do the purchasing.

The social evening for next meeting
was next arranged for, Mrs Stewart and
Mrs Macdonald to take care of the program.
Mrs Stratton made a motion & Mrs Wilson
sec that each member take lunch
enough for two. Carried.

The business meeting over Mrs Wickart
called on Mrs Bell to address the meeting
Mrs Bell told of her trip east last summer
leaving Grande Prairie July 9th and
returned Oct 26th, Mrs Bell told in a
very interesting and humorous manner
the many places of interest visited and
of the amusing things she saw, telling
the story of her trip so well we all

followed her in fancy and maybe a
little envy. Mrs Wickart in thanking
Mrs Bell voiced the appreciation of us
all. Mrs Wickart welcomed our guests
and expressed pleasure in having Mrs
Hard and Mrs Ireland well and back
with us again.

13 members paid for Home^{ed} Country
Magazine

The Roll call was answered with "My
most embarrassing moment, and judging
from the answers - we can all say
"Was my face red"

A delightful lunch served by the
hostess assisted by Mrs Wilson & Mrs Henning.

Lina Macdonald, Sec.
Grace Edith Pres.

Minutes of the March meeting of the
Grande Prairie Women's Institute.

Mar. 1948. The March meeting of the Grande Prairie
Women's Institute was held at the home of
Mrs Salden on March 4th with 22 members
and 1 guest present.

Meeting opened with the reciting of the
Institute Gub. Mrs. Michart, president
presiding. Minutes of the Feb. meeting
were read by the secretary, adopted as read.
Treas. report showed a balance as at the
end of Jan. of \$67.10. receipts in Feb. \$3.20
expenses. \$37.35. balance. \$32.85. Mrs. Kowensky
seconded this report.

Mrs MacBetrige reported on the catering
to the ladies curling bonspiel. That
approximately \$160.00 was realized, she
also reported on the two boxes of food
sent to the two Women's Institute branches
in Britain. Handicraft was next dis-
cussed, a list of articles to enter at the
conference were read.

Correspondence consisted of a card
from Mrs McSweeney to Mrs Michart
acknowledging with thanks the box of
clothing received for overseas. A card
from Mr Bradley and family

acknowledging with grateful appreciation
our card of sympathy sent them during
their sorrow. A letter of acknowledgement
from matron and staff of hospital for
gift of flowers sent for the patients at
Christmas. Gift for new baby of one of
our members was discussed, Mrs Spicer
was asked to attend to this. Mrs Michart
asked for the opinion of the members in
regards to purchasing Institute pins,
prices was discussed and it was decided
to wait until pins were ordered by members
then purchase some.

Mrs Michart told of a visit from Mr Seckie
re. film of 50th Anniversary of the H. I.
and other films he would like to show
if members were interested, after some
discussion Mrs Macmillan made a
motion and Mrs Wilson seconded, that the
executive see the pictures and if they
thought them interesting enough to
make arrangements for them to be
shown at a later date, carried.
Mrs Kowensky kindly offered her home
for the next evening for the film to be

shown Mrs Stratton brought up the subject of institute tickets sold by the boy scouts on our Christmas cake, that the boys did not receive the promised tickets for each book sold, this was much discussed as some of the boys turned in books and a dollar, while other boys returned their books partly sold or not at all. Mrs Kowensky suggested that Mrs Stratton take the matter up with the Scout Master and find out how many of the boys sold books and did not keep the 20¢ and report her finding at next meeting. Mrs Kowensky talked on new Canadians and what could be done to welcome them to our Canada, told of Mrs Stock's worry in connection with the difficulties her mother had to encounter with her transportation to Canada, and made a motion that the secretary write a note to Mrs Stock telling her that our thoughts were with her, for her not to worry, that her mother would be with her soon, Mrs Thomson seconded, Carried. The Easter gift to hospital was next

taken up, Mrs Spicer was asked to attach to it. On a motion by Mrs Macmillan seconded by Mrs Philips \$5.00 was allocated to Mrs Spicer for the purchase of flowers. Carried. Mrs Patterson gave a talk on the Council meeting she attended, that the A. H. S. were planning a busy business year, Federated meeting would be in June, Mrs Morton talked on her trip to Amsterdam and the work entailed by the different officers, said Mrs Morton was planning to be in the Peace River district in May and which time it would be necessary for us to make arrangements for our conference if possible.

Mrs Boucher talked on the handicraft exhibit, said she had asked Miss Connelly for pointers on the judging of the exhibits, she read a letter prepared on handicraft and some suggestions, discussed prizes, a motion was then made by Mrs Patterson that the Grank. Prairie branch give a spoon as prize to the member holding the highest points and that a cup prize for future handicraft

exhibits be taken up at the Conference
Mrs Bishop seconded, carried
Mrs Thomson made a motion, and Mrs
Anatix seconded that all bills be paid
carried. Mrs McFetridge asked the members
to each bring some article of clothing
for the layette - the evering project for
March.

The business meeting over the president
turned the meeting over to the entertainment
Committee. A short sketch "Down by the
Lone" by four colored men from the
south followed by some rapping by
The "Much too fat lady" to the tune of the
play by that name caused much laughter,
games and tricks followed in which all
took part.

The entertainment committee assisted by
the hostess served a delicious salad with
biscuits & cookies supplied by the members.
all voted it a beautiful lunch.

Mrs Michart then thanked the committee for
a splendid evening's entertainment. So
ended another of our social meetings, feeling
that "A little housework now & then is refreshing"
Lina Macdonald Sec

Apr 1948.

Minutes of the April meeting of the
Grande Prairie Women's Institute

Twenty members of the Grande Prairie
Women's Institute for met at the home
of Mrs Spicer for their monthly meeting
Mrs Michart, the president, called the
meeting to order and all repeated the
Institute Creed.

Minutes of the March meeting were
read and adopted. The treasurer's report
showed the Feb balance \$32.85, receipts
in March \$26.85 Expenses \$17.15 Balance \$42.70

Mrs Heming seconded this report.

Mrs Spicer reported on flowers sent to
hospital at Easter to a sick member
and to Mrs Stock's mother as a
welcome from the Institute members
on her arrival in Canada, also a spoon
purchased for the new offspring of one
of our members.

Mrs Thomson moved all bills be paid
Mrs Boncher seconded, carried.

Mrs Anatix reported on Boy Scout
tickets sold last Christmas for H.S. That
all money collected was handed in. It
was then moved by Mrs Anatix and
seconded by Mrs Boncher that the Boy

Scouts get their commission on tickets sold. \$8.00 was voted to this.

Mrs McFetridge asked the members to send to her articles for the layette by April 10th. This was our March project. Food, April project to be also sent to Mrs McFetridge along with layette articles. Mrs. Bouchor suggested we send box of food to Old Folks Home, Mrs McFetridge suggested asking the new brides for addresses.

Mrs Bouchor reported on handicraft that sheets with list of articles for exhibit were printed and distributed.

Mrs Stratton brought thanks from Mrs Ketter, who was unable to attend, on behalf of herself and baby boy for spoon gift from members N. S.

Mrs Michart reported on the executive meeting at her home to arrange for Cancer Campaign, and that a ^{new} pin was presented to Mrs Stewart who was leaving Grande Prairie. and a note of good wishes from the N.S. members. Twelve (12) Federated pins were ordered. Mrs Wilson reported on the Teew-town

meeting she attended as our representative that many words while suggestions were discussed, and plans were being made for summer activities.

A letter was read from Teew-town asking that a representative from The Women's Institute be appointed to attend their meetings and give advice and help in their work. Mrs Stratton appointed Mrs Kowensky as our representative until July. Mrs Kowensky kindly accepted the appointment. A discussion as to making a donation to Teew-town followed, Mrs. Bishop said she thought the Teew-town wished to try to manage by themselves for a while at least, but after much discussion a small donation was decided on. Mrs Bishop made a motion and Mrs Hemming seconded that \$10.00 be voted to Teew-town now. Carried.

A notice from Miss Connelly re demonstrations was discussed. As each month's program was well filled it was decided to table this until the

September meeting.

Mrs Michart spoke on films of M^r Dixie, Home & Country pictures, ^{50%} Anniversary of Women's Institute, Royal Visit pictures and others. That Mr William's at Seysmith was in charge of films, and altho Mrs Michart had written him twice she did not receive a reply, therefore it could not be decided when the pictures could be shown. It was ~~decided~~ suggested as there was so much doing now to table it until fall.

Mrs Macdonald reported on the executive meeting to arrange for the Cancer Campaign and read a letter from Mr Talbot.

Mrs Macdonald was appointed as Convener, with a Committee of 3. Mrs Kowensky said she would take over Radio publicity and Mrs Stratton offered to help and Mrs Figgiers as treasurer.

Mrs Ward was appointed on program Committee Roll Call, Box I most enjoyed.

Mrs Swallow offered to have the May meeting as Mrs Stewart who was to have it, left Grande Prairie, Mrs Selden to take the December meeting that was to be Mrs Swallow's.

Mrs Lane and Mrs McStridge to Mrs Flanagan to bring lunch.

Mrs Michart introduced the guest speaker Mrs Pickard. Mrs Pickard kept us all interested while she reviewed the book Fortress Road by E. J. Walker, reading as she went parts of the life of the author that we might more fully understand and follow more closely the lives of the early inhabitants of Edmonton.

Mrs Michart voiced the appreciation of all of us when she thanked Mrs Pickard for her most interesting review.

The dainty lunch served by the hostess assisted by Mrs Michart and Mrs Figgiers brought the meeting to a close.

L. Macdonald Secy
G. E. Wishart Pres.

1948.
May

Minutes of the May meeting of the Grande Prairie
Women's Institute.

At the home of Mrs. Swallow on May 6th
eighteen members of the Grande Prairie
Women's Institute met for their monthly meeting.
The meeting opened with the singing of O Canada
followed by the Institute Gub. Mrs. Wishart,
the president presiding. The minutes of the
April ^{meeting} were called for, when the secretary
started reading the minutes and unusual
silence filled the room, feeling something
was wrong she looked around and saw
the ladies looking at her in amazement,
looking back at her minutes ~~she~~ dis-
covered she was reading the minutes
of April 1947. With a very red face
she tried to apologize. The regular minutes
were then read and adopted.

The treasurer's report showed a balance
as at the end of March of \$181.70, receipts
in April \$2.15 Expenses \$48.72 Balance
\$135.23. Mrs. Macdonald gave a full
report on the Cancer Campaign, thanked
all who worked in any and every way to
the success of the Campaign, told of all
the letters written, radio broadcast, the

many generous donations received, the
amount-in bank to date \$1^{290.30}290.30.

Mrs. Wishart thanked Mrs. Macdonald for this
very complete report. Mrs. Bishop suggested
a vote of thanks, this was followed by a
hand clapping for all who worked on
the Campaign.

Mrs. Wishart reported on a letter from Mrs.
Williams re-films of 50th N.S. anniversary
and others that might be shown at the
conference, the members thought there would
not be time to show them there as there
was a full program.

Mrs. McFetridge read a letter from secy
of Women's Institute in England acknow-
ledging with grateful thanks our
parcel of food sent in February. Mrs.
McFetridge also reported on layette sent
to Mrs. Macdonald and two parcels of
food packed and sent to the Old Folks
Home in England, told of all the things
packed in the parcels, all so useful
and good. On a motion by Mrs. Gave
seconded by Mrs. Bishop, \$5.00 was voted
to Mrs. McFetridge for welfare work.

Mrs Boucher asked for as many exhibits as possible on handicraft for to enter at the conference.

Mrs. Philips thanked the members for the nice plant sent her when she was in hospital.

Housewives, the May Post War project were asked for, each member to make one.

Mrs Wishart reported several quilt blocks on hand that should be made up into a quilt to have on hand in case of an emergency call. Mrs Wilson very kindly said she would collect blocks and make them up into a quilt.

Mrs Wishart thanked Mrs Stock for the use of their shop to collect articles for parcels overseas.

On a motion by Mrs M^{rs} Farlane seconded by Mrs M^{rs} Petridge the secretary was advised to write letters of thanks to Coatsworth Mail Order office for use of their office for the Cancer Campaign, to the Sisters, S. M. L. ladies, Sisters of St. Joseph's Academy, Mr Kowensky for help during the Campaign.

Mrs Wishart now turned the meeting over to the program Committee, Mrs Ward had a splendid program for us and we sat back and enjoyed to the full, the songs, ~~and~~ piano selections and ~~by~~ the pupils of Montrose school, violin solo by Mrs M^{rs} Intosh and piano by Mrs Butchard. Mrs Wishart thanked Mrs Ward for her very lovely selection of music, and each of the artists for their part in a very enjoyable musical entertainment. Federated pins were distributed.

While lunch was being prepared a letter was read from the Canadian Legion re. proposed skating rink. Much refreshed by the musical program just enjoyed, we all entered into discussion on the contents of this letter, the approval or amendment of their resolutions. To resolution no 5, which read - In the event of the Can. Legion making a contribution out of its building fund, now on hand, it is agreed that the sum so paid shall be repaid to the Can Legion out of net

profit of said rink after the cost of construction etc be paid. Amendment a motion made by Mrs Philips that we question the advisability of the withdrawal of Legion funds from proposed rink seconded by Mrs Hnatuk and carried (b) The name of said rink to be known as Gen. Legion Memorial Arena. Amendment made by Mrs Boucher that the proposed rink be named Grande Prairie Memorial Arena, seconded by Mrs Hemming, carried Mrs Bishop made a motion that the said rink when completed be run on a non-profit basis, see by Mrs Huzaub, & carried. Mrs Macdonald, moved the appointment of Mrs Boucher as our representative for the Central Executive of this organization, Mrs McFetridge seconded, carried.

Mrs Figgins was asked to arrange for transportation to Mrs Smart's for our June meeting to which we are all looking forward to. Mrs Miller will help Mrs Smart with refreshments. After a very interesting and exciting meeting we all enjoyed the lunch prepared by the hostess, Mrs M. Fetridge + Mrs Huzaub + Mrs Macdonald. Sec.

June 1948

Minutes of the June meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute

On June 3rd twenty-two members of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute motored to the home of Mrs Smart at Flying-Sault for their monthly meeting. Meeting opened with the repeating of the Institute Creed. Mrs Hishart the president in the chair. Minutes of the May meeting read and adopted. Treas. report showed a balance as at the end April of \$135.23 receipt in May \$14.05 expenses 9.60 Balance \$139.68.

A card of thanks acknowledging layette sent Mrs M. Gorman for overseas was read. Stationary for Institute use was discussed. A motion was made by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Hemming and carried that one thousand sheets of paper be ordered for members for institute use.

Mrs Kowensky talked on the conference, explained why the conference was held here, that as Mr Telbot was going to come & show films, Valhalla wrote they had no electricity and could not have films shown, putting it to a vote, Grande Prairie, it was decided was the most logical place. Hence the

conference here. Asked all Standing Committees to have their reports sent to the Governors as soon possible. Spoke on handicraft and hoped we would have a good display as we would like to keep the cup for a while longer. Asked Mrs McFetridge to find out if school exhibit work could be had for display. Lunch was discussed. It was decided to hold the conference from 10³⁰ AM until 12 noon when all would disperse for lunch down town or with friends, and serve lunch in the basement of church in the evening. The afternoon session to begin at 2 P.M. lunch to consist of sandwiches, cake or cookies and ice cream. ^{lunch} Asked for volunteers to convene the ~~lunch~~ Mrs Wishart offered to convene with Mrs Hemming Mrs Moore and Mrs Smart to help. Mrs Macdonald was advised to write the local and other organizations who donated to the Cancer Fund and invite them to the conference as the plaque for Cancer Fund would be presented to Mrs Mortland. On a motion made by Mrs Kowensky and seconded by Mrs ~~Wishart~~ ^{Wishart}, Mrs Bell was appointed

delegate to the conference with Mrs Solden as an alternate. Mrs Bouchor asked that plain sewing and mending be entered as exhibits in handicraft. Mrs Bouchor then gave a splendid report on the arrangements and plans for the proposed arena. told that sports days were being planned for on July 1st and 2nd and that each organization was expected to have a booth and turn in proceeds to the arena fund. Mrs Wishart thanked Mrs Bouchor for her report and asked for the wish of the members re a booth on Sports days. A motion was made by Mrs Stratton, seconded by Mrs Solden and carried that we have a booth on July 1st and 2nd, proceeds for the arena. Mrs Bouchor, Mrs McFetridge and Mrs Gave appointed on committee for booth. To make all arrangements later.

A booklet was passed around on Mrs Howson's trip to Amsterdam, each member to read it and pass it on to the next. Mrs McFetridge asked that all "housewifery" the May project for Overseas to be turned in to her by June 10th or left in Vagts store. Mrs Wishart next called

for Mrs Bishop paper on agriculture and Canadian Industry. This was a splendid paper, well prepared and educational dealing with Water, Land, and Food, the effect on the world's supply of food caused by erosion of soil by winds and water. Mrs. Wiskart thanked Mrs Bishop for her interesting paper.

Twenty-five (\$25.00) was voted to the Equer fund. This motion was made after the meeting and approved by all the members as it was necessary to get it into the Conference report.

Mrs. Stuart was asked to arrange for the entertainment for the Sept. meeting. Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Neigand offered to assist with the lunch.

Mrs. Wilson moved the meeting adjourn. Then our hostess assisted by Mrs. Miller served a delicious lunch, Strawberry short cake & real cream & other good things to eat. We then all crowded into our cars and drove home in the stormy stillness of the night, looking forward to summer holidays and meeting again in Sept. J. C. Wiskart, Pres.
L. MacDonald, Sec.

Minutes of the October meeting of the
Grande Prairie Home's Institute.

Oct. 48.

On October 7th twenty-three members of the Home's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Kowensky for their monthly meeting this being their first meeting since June as the Sept. meeting was cancelled owing to the Polio epidemic. Three guests were also present. The president, Mrs. Wiskart in the chair. The Institute's Greeting was read in unison.

Minutes of the June meeting read and adopted. Correspondence read consisted of a letter from Kinsmen's Club acknowledging with thanks cheque for \$133.15 received for Memorial Anna Fund. Letter of thanks from Mrs. Eckert for invitation to her brides to attend the Conference, said how she enjoyed the fact she was able to attend, also an effort made to read a letter from a member of Home's Institute in England who extended grateful thanks from the members of her Institute for the nice box received from our Institute. Treas. report read showed a balance as at

of May of \$139.68. receipts in June \$4.50
Expenses \$33.10. net receipts for Spots Day
\$271.32. net receipts for Blair Wallace
Concert \$133.15. These two items turned in
to the Memorial Arena Fund. Balance
in bank, ^{\$109.68} Mrs. Selden seconded this report.
Mrs. Bell reporting on the conference, read
her report as it was published in the paper
this report gave a full and interesting
account of the conference, Mrs. Bell moved
the adoption of her report.

Mrs. Boucher reported on results of Spots
Day booth. thanked all the ladies who
worked with her. Gross proceeds, \$649.94
expenses \$378.62. As representative on the
Arena committee Mrs. Boucher said she
had no report to make. Mrs. Stratton
reported on Blair Wallace concert, that
\$133.15 was collected for Memorial Arena.
Mrs. McFetridge had nothing to report on
Social Welfare. Mrs. Patterson told
of the proposed visit of Dr. Hitchmanova,
arrangements and further details were
tabled until the Nov. meeting. Mrs. Patterson
also reported on library, a committee was

formed to have a series of library broadcast.
Mrs. Ward reported on June Term, she
attended a meeting - found the meeting
very interesting - carried on in a very
business manner - they also are working
for the arena, and for completion of their
hall. Asking for suggestions and advice.
Mrs. Patterson suggested a donation to
Boy Scouts on Apple Day, after some
discussion a motion was made by
Mrs. Patterson, seconded by Mrs. Thomson
and carried that \$10.00 be donated to
the Boy Scouts. Mrs. Wishart discussed
a demonstration on Candy making
by Miss Connelly. Mrs. Downes made
a motion that we have a demonstration
on Candy making and invite friends.
time & place to be arranged by a committee
composed by Mrs. Stratton with Mrs. Shetter
and Mrs. Boucher to help. Carried.
Mrs. MacFarlane reported on the X-Ray
clinic, that arrangements and registra-
tions were underway when word
came that the clinic was cancelled
owing to Polio. Mrs. Wishart then

Roll call was answered by Mrs. Chadwick I would like to be.

welcomed our guest, expressing pleasure with having them present and hoped that they would become members.

Mrs. Wishart next introduced our guest speaker, Mr. Spicer. Mr. Spicer talked on his holidays in England and France telling many interesting and amusing anecdotes of his experience & travels. He then gave a humorous reading.

Mrs. Wishart thanked Mr. Spicer very much and expressed the appreciation of all.

Mrs. Wishart now turned the meeting over to the Entertainment Committee. This being Grandmothers evening, the seven grandmothers were presented with corsage and a little gift to remind them what to do for their grandchildren. Mrs. Patterson read an appropriate poem to grandmothers. Mrs. Smallwood moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Spicer and for the ^{entertainment} delightful lunch prepared by Mrs. Stratton & her committee. Mrs. Flanagan moved the meeting adjourn. We met at Mrs. Thomson's next month with Mrs. Patterson and Mrs. Phillips assisting the hostess with lunch. Lina Macdonald Secy. E. Wishart Pres.

Minutes of November meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute.

Nov. 1948.

Twenty-two members of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute and five guests met at the home of Mrs. Thomson on Nov. 4th for their monthly meeting.

The meeting called to order by the president, Mrs. Wishart, then all repeated the Institute Creed. Minutes of the October meeting were read and adopted as read.

Treasurer's report showed a balance as at the end June 109.68. receipts in Oct \$2.30 expenses \$11.90. balance on hand \$100.05.

Mrs. Stratton seconded this report. Business from minutes dealt with. Mrs. Boulton reporting for Candy Demons-tration, said Miss Connolly could arrange for Nov 12th, she also was able to get the United Church basement for that date, each lady to bring their own receipts, hot plates, cords and sockets to be secured. These were all arranged for at this meeting. Mrs. Patterson told that Dr. Hitchman was would be here on Nov 19th and again the United Church was brought into service, she will speak there on Nov 19th.

on conditions as she saw them in Europe - she will also speak over the air and at the schools. Mrs Patterson urged all the members to attend this meeting + bring a friend, read part of letter of Dr Hitchmanova which dealt with the many sad cases witnessed by her in different parts of Europe. Mrs Patterson she would attend to meeting and entertaining Dr Hitchmanova and Mrs Howansky would attend to the advertising over the air and in the press. It was decided to pass the plate for collection rather than leave a plate at the door. Mrs M Fetridge as Welfare Convener asked the advice of the meeting as to sending parcels overseas for Christmas, after some discussion Mrs Howansky made a motion that a committee be formed to send two parcels to Institute overseas for Christmas, value of \$25.00. Mrs Spicer seconded Carried. Mrs Wilson Mrs Blaugan and Mrs M Fetridge to attend to this. Mrs Macfarlane read a letter

of appreciation from Overseas for parcels received. Mrs Michart reported on a meeting of the Aruna Committee she attended, told of the amount of work being done and the amount yet to do - The amount of money raised by various means \$7,617.00 and \$5,754.00 spent, most of this amount spent on labor, material \$1,617.00. They hoped to have the dressing room ready for use, but it would be an open unit. This winter, said the Kinsemen asked her if the ladies of the Homer's Institute would have a tea in the Kinsemen's Cottage, that it might be a means for them to sell some tickets on the cottage, she then asked Mrs Boucher to report on the tea. Mrs Boucher reported that \$14.10 was realized, expense \$28.67 \$40.41 was turned over to the Aruna Fund, Mrs Stratton and Mrs Wilson worked with Mrs Boucher arranging this tea. Correspondence read. A letter from Mrs Moran, outlining the Twelveton Contest, clothing and

food parcels for Europe, library books available for Institute use, and that Christmas cards could be purchased from the Inuitarian Service Committee at \$1.00 for sixteen - this money to be used for needy European children.

A letter from Mr Talbot, Canadian Cancer Society executive for Alberta outlining the work being done by this Society. Also a letter from the Canadian National Institute of the Blind asking for the support of the Women's Institute in a campaign for funds to aid in this great work of helping the blind. After some discussion it was decided that the secretary write, advising that it is not possible for this Institute to undertake any more projects at present.

Mrs Patterson, Mrs Phillips & Mrs Bishop were appointed nominating Committee to prepare the slate of officers for the coming year. Cups that were broken at the tea in Miss Maclellan's College was discussed on a motion by Mrs

Thomson, seconded by Mrs Phillips Mrs Figgins was advised to attend to this & purchase cups with money from proceeds of tea. ^{arrived} Mrs Wishart next welcomed our guests, and hoped to see them members, they replied that they would be very pleased to join our Institute Mrs Wishart now introduced our guest speaker, Mr Patterson, Mr Patterson took for his subject, "Wills" giving a concise and clear interpretation of "Wills". Why Wills should be made and how. Mrs Wishart thanked Mr Patterson for this very interesting and instructive talk. Standing Committee were permitted to bring their reports to the next meeting.

Roll call was answered by "who should hold the purse strings", the answers were almost unanimous that they should be held 50-50. Mrs Macfarlane moved the meeting adjourn. The dainty lunch served by the hostess assisted by Mrs Patterson & Mrs Phillips brought the meeting to a close. Lina McDonald. P. C. Wishart

Minutes of the December meeting of the
Grande Prairie Women's Institute.

Dec. 1948.

At the home of Mrs. Saldan on Dec 2nd
twenty-four members of the Grande
Prairie Women's Institute met for their
annual meeting, with Mrs. Wiskart,
president in the chair. Meeting
opened with the repeating of the Institute
Oath. Minutes of the Nov. meeting read
and adopted. Treas' report showed a balance
as at the end of Oct. of \$105.90 receipts
in Nov. \$46.65 expenses \$49. Balance
Mrs. Kowarsky rec. this report.

Mrs. Stratton reported on the candy
demonstration, said there was a good
attendance, but that she could not say
how much knowledge was gained from
the demonstration. A fuse was blown out
that Mr. Bishop was called in to fix it,
later Mrs. Broughton phoned Mr. Putters
who came and replaced the fuse for
the small charge of 25¢. The party
was advised to write Mr. Putters thanking
him for this service.

Mrs. Patterson reported on Dr. Hitchensmanova
visit. Met her at train, took her home to

dinner, then to the Radio Station and
to the theatre to make arrangements
for her talks, had a tea in the Gort
Hotel where she met the ladies of
the Women's Institute and their friends
In the evening Dr. Hitchensmanova talked
to an interested audience in the base-
ment of the United Church, she spoke
of the great need of food and clothing
for European children, and of the
benefit that a sick or crippled child
would derive if adopted for three months
by individuals or organizations, the
cost for 3 months \$45.00, with this
money a child could be sent to
England for treatment. \$23.26 was
collected at this meeting. Mrs. Patterson
then read a letter from Dr. Hitchensmanova
of how grateful she was for the hospita-
lity shown her in Grande Prairie.
Much discussion re. Dr. Hitchensmanova's
plea for clothing and money followed.
Mrs. Thomson made a motion that
Jan. 8th be set aside for a clothing
drive for European children, Mrs.

Patterson seconded, carried. Mrs Patterson, Mrs Lowinsky and Mrs M^{rs} Petridge to attend to all arrangements.

Mrs Swallow made a motion that additional money from our funds be added to the \$23.26 collected at the meeting in the United Church to make up the amount necessary to adopt a child see by Mrs Bell and carried.

A motion was made by Mrs Wilson, seconded by Mrs Skinning that all bills in connection with candy demonstration and Dr. Hitchmann's talk be paid. Carried.

Mrs M^{rs} Petridge reported on Christmas parcels that two well filled boxes of Christmas cheer and an extra treat of a box of chocolate sent to two Institutes in England, at a cost of \$25.50.

Correspondence read. Letter from Red Cross asking for a representative to attend the Annual meeting, letter from Mrs Gonnely with receipts on candy making to be distributed to members, letter from Mr Milton Executive Office of Blind Institute acknowledging with grateful thanks letter

received from Women's Institute, letter from Mrs Ross asking the N. I. to approach the local member of the Legislative Assembly and urge him to give his support to a means which would insure Government help for suffer of Arthritis. Mrs Patterson made a motion seconded by Mrs Bell that the Secy write the Legislative member in this connection.

Annual Report called for. This report showed a very busy and successful year, good Co-operation and keen interest in all Institute activities.

Tres. report showed that \$879.17
out 745.37 Balance \$83.80

As this report was not audited its adoption was left until next meeting.

Mrs Bishop reported on Agriculture and Ag. Industry. One paper prepared and read dealing with, food, land and water. Mrs Bell Convener of Citizenship told of the many worthy cases that come under Citizenship but that she had not a paper on it.

Mrs Boucher had forgotten her report on handicraft, but from memory told of a paper read on handicraft, of the successful display at Conference and of Grande Prairie holding the cup for the fourth successive year.

Mrs. Kowensky reported on Radio and Publicity, she attended to the publishing of all activities in connection with N.S. work, gave nine broadcasts over C.F.A.P. wrote letters of thanks to Herald, Tribune, Q. B. C., Canadian Utilities for their co-operation.

Mrs M. Bettridge reported on Social Welfare. That parcels of food and clothing were sent overseas.

Mrs Ward gave a splendid report on Tim-tom. They have \$600.00 in bank. They had a banquet honoring the retiring Council. That the J.C.'s had asked them to share their hall with them but before investing their money in that they were going to call a meeting of the public for advise, which go to prove that our younger generation are very democratic.

Mrs Patterson reported on Library, that some public interest is shown in the library and now they are on the air every a week. No report by Anna Repumative. Mrs. Macdonald reported on Red Cross. told of help by Institute members at Blood Clinic and Campaign for funds. All reports adopted and seconded except Mrs. which was held over for next meeting. In the absence of Mrs Spicer Mrs Macdonald reported for her on hospital, that fruit & flowers were sent to patients at Christmas and Easter also to any member ill. Mrs Thomson made a motion and Mrs Seldaw sec. that that a card be sent Mrs Spicer who is ill in hospital also flowers to Mrs Spicer and a card of sympathy to Mrs Guthrie. Carried

Mrs Patterson reported for the nominating Committee and gave the slate of officers for 1949 as prepared by them. The old slate of officers

with one new director Mrs Fleming.
Mrs Moore and Mrs Soldau as
auditors, Mrs Goff, Red Gross new
on the standing Committee. Otherwise
the slate stands as it did in 1948.
Mrs Bishop moved a vote of thanks
to the Executive for their work done
during 1948 and wished them success
for 1949. Mrs Wickhart asked for
a program Committee. Mrs Soldau
Mrs Foreman, Mrs Gave and Mrs.
Wickhart were appointed to act with
Mrs Soldau to convene.

Mrs Bell made a motion that \$5.00
worth of juices be sent to patients
at hospital for Christmas see by
Mrs. Heller and Gannet.

Mrs Wickhart asked for a meeting of the
Executive at her home on Wednesday
afternoon Dec 7th to discuss plans for the year.

Mrs Figgins moved the meeting adjourn
The dinner lunch served by the hostess
assisted by Mrs Boucher and Mrs Corcher
brought 1948 meetings to a successful end
L. MacDonald, Secy. G. Wickhart Pres.

1949.
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Minutes of the January meeting of the
Grande Prairie Women's Institute.

At the home of Mrs Wickhart on Jan 6th
twenty-six ladies assembled for the first
meeting in 1949 of the Grande Prairie
Women's Institute. Mrs. Wickhart, president,
presiding. Meeting opened with the Institute
Greet. The minutes of the Dec. meeting were
read and adopted, as read. Treasurer's report
followed and showed a balance as at
the end of November of \$83.80 receipt
in December \$34.71 expensed \$71.75 Balance
\$66.76. Auditors reported the treasurer's
Annual report correct and moved the
adoption, Mrs Kelter seconded.

Mrs MacKethridge reported on Social Welfare
that five boxes of clothing were sent to
a needy family, she suggested that as
from time to time requests for needy families
arises it might be advisable to have on
hand a supply to meet this need. She
also attended the meeting of the W.E.F.B.
owing to cold weather very few attended
it was decided that for the present all
monies received be held by the bank pending
further arrange
ments. Mrs Wickhart reported on

a family at Hyattsville whose mother was dead and that the children were in dire need of clothing, it was suggested that some of the things collected for the Matarian clothing drive be given them. Mrs McFetridge was asked to attend to it. Mrs Kowensky gave a report on arrangements made by the committee on the clothing drive. Mr Ogilvie would have the Boy Scouts pick up the parcels Saturday & for to leave parcels on front porch or at the gate for the boys to pick up, Mr Oliver gave his small building to store the things & for packing, Mr Mullen was also very co-operative, she said. Much discussion re the freight charges followed. Mrs Patterson made a motion that we approach the different organizations for a small donation to help defray the freight cost, in the meantime we draw from our own funds to meet this cost, see. by Mrs Bill and Carrer. Mrs Wiskart asked for a committee of three to attend to the packing, Mrs Cove, Mrs Wiskart and Mrs McFetridge volunteered, many

of the other ladies offering help, clothes to be packed Monday 10th. Mrs Spicer reported on juices sent to patients in hospital at Christmas. No library report. Mrs Bouchon reported on the Memorial Area, that lumber was sent for to B Co, the town put up the money as all as all funds were used up, town has taken over the responsibility, told also of a card party to be held in the near future in the hotel York, sponsored by G. H. L. proceeds to go to Area Fund, hoped many would attend. Mrs Wiskart told that Mrs Wilson and Mrs Strataux were representing the H. S. at the Health Survey meeting, and would report later in the evening. Letter read from Mrs Morton re. volunteer gift of \$100 from each member towards Amputee Fund \$100 was handed to the secretary for this fund, letter from Miss Ross acknowledging with thanks from patients in hospital and herself gift of fruit juices received at Christmas, Card from Honorable Club Program in Montreal in connection

a program entitled "New Horizons on
Londinium, also card from Mrs Guthrie
acknowledging with thanks card of
sympathy received from H. S. Mrs
Spicer expressed thanks for card
and flowers received by herself and
Mr Spicer during his illness.

Cut out felt clippers were distributed
among the members to be made up
for next Overseas parcel. Mrs Nichart
reported on executive meeting, that
plans were made for 1949 work, and
suggestions for programs. Mrs Soldau
presented the very interesting program
prepared by herself and her committee
for 1949. Mrs Kowensky moved that
this program be adopted, seconded by
Mrs Hemming and carried. Sister
Superior at Business College offered to
have the programs typed. Mrs Fyfe
reported on Film Council, that a
meeting would be held on Jan 17th in
the Hotel York when Professor Tweedie
will give a talk on World Affairs
and a colored film "Land beyond

The Peace, a collection to be taken to
help defray the balance owing on the
new film projector. Mrs Anantuk
reported on the Health Survey meeting
that as she did not remain for all
of the meeting she had not much
to report, suggestions were asked for.
Miss Ross told of the need of Eye, Ear
& Throat doctor. that Dr Levin could not
attend to all the needs on his short
visits here and that there was room
for another dentist, to look at your
local paper for a full account.
Mrs Nichart asked for the opinion of the
meeting, Mrs Kowensky made a
motion that we ask for an eye, ear
nose & throat specialist, & dentist, Mrs
Hemming seconded - carried - Mrs Thomson
moved that we also ask for a school
nurse, seconded by Mrs Macfarlane
and carried. Mrs Nichart has persuaded
the members that the project for Feb
for Overseas was a Layette Mrs Cave
told of a request from an Institute
in Britain for a pen pal in Canada

Mrs Wishart asked her if she would unite as a member of this Institute.

Suggestion was made that we send a small parcel as a gift to our adopted little girl, whose photo was sent us from Anatanau Service Committee.

Mrs Patterson made a motion and Mrs Wilson sec. that \$3.00 be given the Secretary, \$2.00 for postage + \$1.00 for trip of Mrs Staturman, carried. Next came a

discussion on way and means to raise some money, a telephone bridge and Valentine tea was suggested, the tea carried the vote. Mrs Patterson made a motion that we have a tea, sale of home cooking and novelties on Feb 21st Mrs Anatinuk sec. carried. Mrs Heltter and Mrs Bouchor offered to make a fruit cake to be raffled. Mrs Wishart asked for volunteers to look after the tea, Mrs MacDonald and Mrs Figgiers offered to ^{make} arrangements with others to help with the tea, Mrs Heltter + Mrs Bouchor to take care of the raffle. The secretary was advised

to send a card to Joan Charters

expressing our regrets at her illness and hoping she would be well soon.

Film to be shown at the next meeting was discussed - it was left with the program committee to decide.

Mrs Wishart welcomed our guests - said how very pleased she was to have them and hoped they would join our Institute, without further delay they became members.

We have now six new members.

Mrs Wishart asked for the wish of the meeting as to what should be served at each meeting and how many helpers or hostesses necessary.

Mrs Thomson made a motion and Mrs Spicer seconded that one thing only be served - Sandwiches, or Cake, or Cookies. and two hostesses to help the hostess having the meeting. Carried. Mrs Figgiers moved the meeting adjourn. The delicious lunch served by the hostess and her assistants Mrs Moor and Mrs Figgiers brought our first meeting in 1949 to a successful close. Lina MacDonald Secy. G. Wishart Pres.

Minutes of the February meeting of the
Grande Prairie Women's Institute

Feb 1949

On February 3rd, at the home of Mrs Patterson twenty nine members of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute assembled for their monthly meeting. The meeting opened with the singing of O Canada, followed by the Institute Creed. Mrs Wishart, president, presiding.

Minutes of the Jan. meeting read and adopted as read. Treas report, balance at the end Dec. of 66.76. Receipts in Jan 99.71 Expenses 77.95 balance 21.76 Mrs Saldan sec. This report.

Mrs Wishart reported that 6000 lbs of clean clothing was packed and shipped to the Anatharian Service depot at Winnipeg for Overseas at a cost of \$40.00 for freight, stead of using all her wiles to prevail upon the freight agent to reduce the cost, as the clothing was second hand, all to no avail, pay first class cost we must, some donations from individuals and organizations were received to help defray the cost. Mrs Wishart also told of a small gift sent to our adopted little girl overseas, that a Canadian Maple leaf pin was enclosed as a small souvenir of Canada. Mrs McFetridge reported on

Welfare work - that two parcels of clothing was sent a needy family and of how very grateful they were, a parcel for overalls was ready to send, layette and slippers, fifteen pairs of slippers were made by institute members from old felt hats. Mrs Macdonald reported on arrangements made for the Valentine tea to be held Feb 12th, Mrs Figgins herself interviewed the manager of the Hotel York and had the 12th reserved, also made enquiries re dishes & teapots, advised us to bring our own teapots, we would have to pay for electricity used.

Mrs Wishart asked for a convenor for the tea, Mrs Macdonald, Mrs Figgins, Mrs Saldan and Mrs Brennan volunteered to take charge, Mrs Patterson & Mrs Wishart to act as hostesses, a novelty table in charge of Mrs Wilson and Mrs M^{rs} Fetridge, home cooking Mrs Spicer and Mrs Bell. Twenty tables arranged for, jelly salad with biscuits, and cake or cookies for tea, each member offered to bring something for the different tables. Committee to attend to the advertising and posters.

ten ladies appointed as waitress, three for the kitchen, Mrs Macfarlane to act as treasurer, Mrs Willis and Mrs Boucher in charge of the raffie of the cake made by them, Mrs Stach offered their store window to display cake & raffles, sell tickets, this very lovely cake was on display at our meeting, so daintly decorated with valentine hearts. Mrs. Wickert asked all tickets be turned in as the draw would be made at the tea. A dainty little cake was made and iced liked the large one to be given to the Sisters in appreciation for their having girls type the tickets.

Mrs Goldan and Mrs Gave distributed the programs for 1949. Mrs Gave suggested that a box of candy be made for the girls at the Academy for typing programs, this suggestion was unanimously approved. Mrs Kroft reported our Red Cross ^{annual} meeting she attended, years report read, new officers elected, Mrs Macdonald's report on work done by the by the ladies sewing clubs for Red Cross.

delegate appointed for Conventions at Calgary. Mrs Spicer presented gifts to Mrs Weigand for her new baby. Mrs Weigand very graciously thanked the ladies on behalf of her new offspring for this gift. Mrs Wickert read a letter from Mrs Smith, from England. Mrs Smith is a sister of the late Mr Todley, she said how she missed Percy's letters and the paper with the Institute news, she is a very enthusiastic member of an Home's Institute in England, she also sent one of their magazines of Home and Country. Mrs Patterson also read an interesting letter from an Institute member in England, telling of the work being done by their institute and asking for a few pab. Mrs Gave was asked to write her. On a motion by Mrs Bell, seconded by Mrs Spicer the secretary was advised to send a card to Mr Kowensky who is ill in hospital in Edmonton. Carried Mrs Brydon also made a motion and Mrs ~~Goldan~~ ^{Goldan} seconded that a letter of thanks be sent The Eastern

Star, Aurora Chapter for donation of
five dollars received to help defray
cost of shipment of clothing to the
Anatolian Society.

Mrs Boucher reported that the Ladies
Compsit wished the N.S. to cater to their
banquet this year again, much discussion
followed pro and con. Mrs MacMillan
made a motion and Mrs Heltie seconded
that the N.S. ladies cater to the Ladies
Compsit banquet Motion lost. Mrs
Boucher was advised to notify the
ladies, unless of decision. Mrs Boucher
moved all bills be paid Mrs Heltie sec.
Carried. Mrs Michart welcomed

Our guest who later joined the Institute
Our new members now number seven.
Mrs Phillips made a motion seconded by
Mrs Malanchuk that Mrs M. Feltz
be given two dollars for use in connection
with Helpre Work. The three films shown
by Mrs Figgins were much enjoyed.
Roll call was answered by Laura Sarney
& since. Mrs Bishop & Mrs Bell assisted the
hostess in serving a dainty lunch.
L. Macdonald, Sec.

Minutes of the March meeting of the
Grande Prairie Women's Institute.
Mar. 49. On March 3rd Mrs Swallow was hostess to
the monthly meeting of the Grande Prairie
Women's Institute. Twenty-seven members and
four guests were present. The President, Mrs
Michart presiding. The meeting was called
to order with the singing of O-Canada
followed by the Institute Greet. The secretary
read the minutes of the Feb meeting, they
were adopted as read. Treasurer's report showed
a balance as at the end of ~~Feb~~ of \$201.76.
receipts in Feb \$161.82 Expenses 10.49 Balance
\$150.33. Mrs Macfarlane seconded this report.
A letter was read from the secretary of
the Anatolian Service Depot at Winnipeg
acknowledging with thanks box of clothing
sent for overseas, also card from Joan
Charter thanking members for card and
kind wishes sent her when she was ill in
hospital. Mrs Macdonald reported on
Valentine tea, thanked all the faithful
workers, that the tea was a real success.
Mrs Mac also reported on the Cancer
Convention she attended in Edmonton
told of the many interesting discussions
and their plans for this year. She

also told of writing a note of thanks to the Royal Purple for cheque from them to help defray expenses of freight on clothing. This cheque was received after our meeting and Sec. was advised to answer in acknowledgement. Mrs Kowensky thanked

the members for cards of kind wishes sent Mrs Kowensky during his illness in Edm. Mrs Meltzer thanked everyone who helped her with sale of tickets on her sale.

Mrs Michart reported for Mrs M. Bettridge on Millers work, that parcel of layettes had been sent to Mrs McGorman.

Mrs Kowensky reported that a number of felt hats received from Archibald's store - these to be cut up into slippers.

Mrs Michart spoke on the cutting and sewing of these slippers, invited some of the Ladies to come to her home on May 17th for a cutting. Sec. Mrs Kowensky, Mrs Boucher, Mrs Meltzer and Mrs MacDonachy volunteered to go. Mrs Boucher spoke on

handicraft. hoped everyone was working something for the Conference display. Mrs Patterson reporting on library, said

all small library would broadcast on March 9th and for all to listen in.

Mrs Spicer reported sending cards to six members. Mrs Michart spoke on the monthly letters sent out by the Royal Bank, asked for the advice of the members. It was suggested that the secretary file all letters for future reference if needed to prepare a program.

Constitutionary fees were discussed as to whether Grand Prairie pay ten dollars, or five as the smaller branches. On a motion by Mrs Kowensky seconded by Mrs Bell, that Grand Prairie pay \$10.00 fee for the present at least. Carried.

Motion by Mrs Saldon seconded by Mrs Stratton that all bills be paid. Carried. Mrs Michart explained an oversight on the omission of reading a letter at last meeting from Mrs Talbot appointing a delegate to the Caucus Convention.

Mrs Kowensky brought greetings from Mrs MacMillan formerly of Sissonville whom she met in Edmonton.

Mrs Figgens spoke on the Health

omit, asked if a letter from the Institute should be written expressing our views. Mrs Bishop told of attending Dr Killeen's meeting and what was discussed there. It was not deemed necessary for the Institute to write.

Mrs Wishart welcomed the guests expressing great pleasure in having them as our guests, especially Mrs Sommers from L. Forked Creek who was asked to tell us something of their Institute work. Mrs Sommers said how pleased she was to be able to attend this meeting, spoke on some of the work done by her Institute. They sent eleven parcels overseas during the year, their project was the new hall being built, during the winter owing to bad roads and many out of town that they are not very active.

The business meeting over, the president asked the entertainment committee to take over. March 4 is our social evening, as it is also St Patrick's month those of the entertainers who did not

have an irish name just added an O' to their name or changed it all together. Irish music, Irish songs and Irish dancing, readings and a very humorous description of a man getting dressed, all brought shrieks of laughter from the audience. Then going from the ridiculous to the sublime we listened to two delightful vocal solos by Lorraine Swallows accompanied by Mrs J. O'Brien at the piano. Irish songs and music was very much enjoyed by all.

Mrs Nelson moved a vote of thanks to the talented irish artists, this was approved unanimously.

The Roll Call was answered with "Penny Stretches". It is amazing the many ways the ladies find of stretching their pennies. Mrs Seldan moved the meeting adjourn. Mrs Boughton and Mrs Gave assisted the hostess serve a delightful lunch, bringing another enjoyable meeting to a close.
L. McDonald, Sec. G. Wishart Pres.

Minutes of the April meeting of the
Grande Prairie Women's Institute

April

On Thursday April 7th Twenty-seven members and one guest met at the home of Mrs. J. Thomson for the monthly meeting of the Women's Institute. President, Mrs. Michart presiding. Mrs. Spud read in union.

Minutes of the March meeting, read after a correction made by Mrs. Patterson the minutes were adopted as read.

Treas. report showed a balance in February of \$150.35 Receipts in March \$8.95 Expenses \$14.75 Balance \$144.53 Mrs. Higgins seconded this report.

The secretary was advised to write a letter of thanks to Hotel York for their generosity in allowing us the use of kitchen and gas for our Valentine Tea free.

Letter from Red Cross read and discussed the donation to Red Cross Campaign Mrs. Bell made a motion and Mrs. Cave seconded that the W. I. donate \$20.00 to this campaign. Carried.

Letter from Mr. Talbot, "See Can. Cancer Society Alberta Division" was read re. his visit here to hold a public meeting, showing films and discussing the Cancer Campaign

On April 26th. After some discussions a motion was made by Mrs. Phillips seconded by Mrs. Higgins that we arrange for a meeting place. Carried Mrs. Higgins and Mrs. Macdonald to contact the Hotel York for their banquet room for this meeting. The secretary to notify Mr. Talbot of arrangements made, also to write the different organizations asking them to attend this meeting in large numbers Mrs. Michart told of a parcel sent Mrs. Tooley's sister (Mrs. Smith) in England for their Institute. Mrs. McFetridge told of all the dainty things in this parcel at a cost of \$8.00 including postage. Mrs. Patterson moved that all bills in this connection be paid seconded by Mrs. Keller Carried. Mrs. McFetridge read a letter from Mrs. McEormann acknowledging parcel of slipper, also read a letter from an Institute member in England thanking expressing thanks for box received also chocolate and told of how each item was distributed, said she had not heard of the other box of chocolate sent at

the same time was received. Mrs. Michart told of a book sent by Mrs. Smith on Isle of Wight. what a very interesting book it is. Mrs. Kowensky reported on cutting and distribution of felt slippers. Mrs. Michart asked each member to have slippers finished for next meeting and that the three might be sent to the N. I. convention as exhibits, also asked the members if they had anything to send the Conference for exhibits, pictures, etc. Mrs. Patterson sent picture of group and presentation of Canon Fund cheque.

Mrs. Patterson also that the dates of the N. I. Convention was set for May 25th 26th and 27th at the Convocation Hall of the University of Alberta and that reservation could be made for three dollars per day. This included meals. Mrs. Michart asked for the wish of the members re a delegate for convention. Mrs. Wilson nominated Mrs. McFarlane Mrs. Stenning nominated Mrs. Boucher as alternate, Mrs. Figgins seconded, carried. Mrs. Spier asked if flowers or fruit would be sent to hospital

at Easter as previous. A motion was made by Mrs. Wilson seconded by Mrs. Ketter that \$5.00 be given Mrs. Spier for flowers and suggested that each member send a glass of jam or jelly, this to be left at Mr. Soldani's store by Wednesday morning when Mrs. Spier would pick them up. Approved unanimously. Mrs. Macdonald read a letter from Mrs. Smith to Mrs. Michart, thanking her very much for her kind interesting letter, mentioned how she missed her letters from her brother "Mr. Torley" also touched on many interesting items of institute work over in England.

Mrs. Michart welcomed our guest and invited her to become a member, she then asked Mrs. Bishop, the speaker for this meeting for her paper. Mrs. Bishop spoke on "Law, Industry and Agriculture", reading parts from the Book "Road to Survival" and giving explanations. A discussion followed. Mrs. Michart thanked Mrs. Bishop for her talk. Mrs. Boucher moved a vote of thanks. Roll call was answered with garden hints. Mrs. M. Fritudge moved the meeting adjourn. Mrs. Foreman + Mrs. Glaugan assisted the hostess with refreshments. L. Macdonald

President L. C. Michart

Minutes of the May meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute.

May.

The monthly meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Soldan with twenty-eight members and one guest present.

Meeting opened with the singing of O Canada followed by the Institute Creed.

Mrs. Michart, the president presiding.

Minutes of the April meeting read and adopted. Treasurer's report shows a balance as at the end of March of \$144.53, receipts in April Expenses Balance \$120

Mrs. Henning sec. this report.

Mrs. Spicer reported of flowers and jam sent to hospital at Easter, twenty-three jars of jam and one pint honey.

Mrs. McFetridge had no report, but discussed felt slippers being made from old felt hats for the three best to be sent the convention in Edmonton, Mrs. Boucher to make the choice. Mrs. Boucher told of distributing copies of handicraft work and hoped many pieces would be sent to the conference. Correspondence read.

A letter to Mrs. Michart from Mrs. Tooley's sister Mrs. Smith. Told of how she enjoyed Mrs. Michart's letter and news from

The place her brother loved so well, also of how England looks now with so many flowers in bloom and all the refreshing things spring bring, letter from Mrs. Stone re the convention, instructions etc; receipt from Red Cross for \$20.00 for Red Cross drive. Mrs. Gave read a very interesting letter from an institute "pen pal" in England, she told of some of the many activities in their institute, they have forty-six members, have a choir and a sewing class and other things of interest.

Mrs. Patterson told of the illness of one of our members in Edmonton, Mrs. Ken. The secretary was advised to write Mrs. Ken expressing our wishes for her speedy recovery, to address her letter to Mellit.

She gave a short report on Mr. Talbot's meeting here, Mrs. Michart talked further on this meeting and the Cancer Campaign, she asked Mrs. Macdonald if she would convene it again this year as she did last. Mrs. Macdonald said she would if

was the wish of the meeting, Mrs Patterson
said we are grateful to Mrs Macdonald to
take charge of the campaign, all were
agreed. Mrs Patterson then suggested
Mrs Mac call the different organizations
for help, and to suggested getting the
girls from the Academy to write
formal letters if needed. Mrs Wishart asked
Mrs Macdonald to do this. Mrs Macdonald
asked Mrs Kowansky if she would attend
to the radio broadcasting and publicity
as last year and Mrs Figgins if she would
attend to the banking and Mrs Solder
to help getting things organized - all the
ladies kindly consented to help.

Mrs Wishart told of a meeting she attended
re. Chest clinic and of Mrs Basters talk.
The clinic would be here the end of June
she asked for volunteers to address cards
for X-Ray clinic, Mrs Cave, Mrs Miller,
Mrs Lynn and Mrs Coyne offered help.

Mrs Kowansky made a motion seconded
by Mrs Bell that Two dollars (\$2.00)
be allocated to buy postage for X-Ray Clinic.
Carried. Mrs Patterson made a motion

Mrs Stratton seconded that thirty-five
(\$35.00) be voted for Expense money for the
delegate to convention, carried.

Next meeting at Mrs Swarts discussed.
Mrs Cave made a motion and Mrs Lynn
seconded that we leave at seven for
the meeting - to meet at the United
Church corner, carried. Mrs Moore
to make arrangements for transportation.
Mrs Wishart introduced Mrs Patterson
who gave a delightful review on the
book "My Song in a Strange Land"
by Mrs Kramer. The setting of this book
was Liberia, the speaker held our keen
attention throughout the whole review
always adding that touch of humor to
the seemingly unreal part. A hearty
vote of thanks was voiced by all.

(Mrs Miller moved the meeting adjourn.
Roll call was answered by "My Favorite Book"
The dainty lunch served by the hostess
assisted by Mrs Stratton and Mrs Henning
brought this interesting meeting to a close.

L. Macdonald
G. E. Wishart

L. Macdonald, Sec.
Pres.

Minutes of the June meeting of the
Grande Prairie Women's Institute
June 1949.

On June 2nd five cars filled with
Institute members motored to the home
of Mrs Smart at Flying Shot for their
June meeting. Apart from detouring
around mud holes and occasionally
getting stuck the trip was most en-
joyable and we all arrived in a happy
mood. Twenty-five members and four
guests were present. Mrs Michart called
the meeting to order with the reciting
of the Institute Creed. The minutes of the
May meeting were read and adopted.
Treasurer's report showed a balance at the
end of April of \$120.00, Expenses in May
\$37.00 Receipts ^{for} Balance \$83.00. Mrs
Smart recorded this report. Mrs Macdonald
gave a report on the Cancer Campaign
gave much praise to the ladies of the
I.P.W.I. for their splendid support as
well as our own members, that the
Campaign was away on a good start.
Mrs Michart thanked Mrs Macdonald for
this report. Mrs Stratton read a letter
of thanks for parcel received from our

adopted girl in Europe. Mrs Macdonald
reported that the Red Cross Blood Clinic
would be here June 15 & 16, the billing
of nurses and other arrangements for
the Clinic were being attended to.
Mrs Michart reported that to date no
further word was received from Mr. Batten
re Chest & Ray, as soon as she heard
from him notice would be sent out.
Moved by Mrs Soldau and sec. by Mrs
Orchuk that a gift of Chocolate or
milk be sent the little Mulichens girl
who is ill in Edmonton. Mrs Spicer
to attend to it. \$2.50 was voted for this
and carried. Correspondence. Letter
from Mrs Kowensky in connection with
the date and place of Constitution Conference.
Card from Mrs Miller and family acknowledging
with thanks our card of sympathy on the
death of their little girl, from Mr. Talbot
inviting any of the Institute members
when in Calgary to visit the Cancer
rooms. from Secretary Cherry Pt. H. I.
asking for information re the qualifi-
cations necessary for a person to whom

a Life Membership in the N.S. could be given. Mrs Patterson was asked to reply. Mrs Patterson read a letter from Dr Hitechmanova telling of her trip to Europe and wanting to know if she could include Grande Prairie on her itinerary, after some discussion Mrs Stratton made a motion that we invite Dr Hitechmanova to visit Grande Prairie, Mrs Keller sec. Carried. Mrs Bell moved that Mrs Soldau be our representative at the conference at Sessmith, Mrs Wilson, sec. Carried. Mrs Wishart told that the teachers asked for the co-operation of the N.S. at the Track Meet Parade. It was decided we decorate a car and enter it in the parade. Mrs Stratton, Mrs Keller and Mrs Chiv offered to decorate. Mrs Hemming made a motion and Mrs Gignere sec. that we buy paper to decorate car, Carried. Mrs Wishart next spoke on Sports Day, asked for a motion on having a booth on Sports Day. Mrs Hemming made a motion that

"if we are asked" we have a booth Mrs Orchard sec. Carried, Mrs Boucher to convene with a committee of three Mrs Hemming, Mrs Orchard and Mrs J. Macdonald. Mrs Patterson told that it was decided at the Convention that donations made by the Institutes ^{for causes} be sent direct to A. N. S.

Mrs Boucher gave a full report on the Convention, mentioned specially the lovely display of handicraft, the shield for Handicraft, went to Ft. Saskatchewan and Scholarship to Buffalo, Coles. Mrs Wishart thanked Mrs Boucher and Mrs Bishop moved a vote of thanks. Sept meeting discussed. A banquet to celebrate the 25th birthday decided on. Arrangements to be left to the Program Committee and executive. Moved by Mrs Soldau, sec by Mrs Boucher all bills be paid, Carried. Mrs Patterson reminded the members of standing committees to get their reports of to their Conveners before the conference, hoped that a large crowd would attend. Entries to the

handicraft asked for. Mrs Figgins
offered to look after transportation
Mrs Wishart welcomed our guests
with a special welcome to each
one. Mrs Bell moved the meeting
adjourn. Then we partook of the
beautiful lunch prepared by our hostess
assisted by Mrs Miller. After many
good-byes we started back for home
feeling that ~~another~~ this enjoyable
meeting brought our activities to an end
until we meet at our Banquet in Sept.

L. MacDonald Sec.

G. Wishart

Pres.

Sept. 4th

Sept. meeting being an occasion to
celebrate no business was transacted. There-
fore no minutes. What a delicious
banquet we had, how pretty the tables
were with their lovely baskets of
flowers, birthday cake and tall
candles. Letters of congratulation were
read from Mrs Stewart of Victoria
who ~~founded~~ ^{organized} this institute 25 years
ago, and from Mrs Morton
President of the F. H. I. Mrs Henning

acted as Master of Ceremony.
Entertainment consisted of music
Violin & piano duets and solos.

Each member added something
to the entertainment, humorous jokes
and stories, reading, skit and a
report on past activities of the F. H. I.

The singing of Auld Lang Syne and
God Save Our King brought this very
enjoyable to a close.

L. MacDonald Sec.

G. Wishart

Minutes of the October meeting of the
Grande Prairie Women's Institute.

Oct 1949.

Mrs Ireland was hostess to the Women's
Institute for their monthly meeting
on Oct 6th. Twenty-four members were
present. Meeting opened with the
reciting of the Institute Creed.

Minutes of the June and Sept. meetings
were read and adopted. Treasurer's
report showed a balance as at the
end of May of \$87.66. receipt in June &
July ^{9.54} \$10.54. ^{77.91} Expenses \$88.17. Bal. 88.55
Mrs Soldau seconded this report.

Reports were called for.

Mrs Stratton reported on decorating
a car to be entered in the parade
on Inaug. Meet Day. Mrs Boucher re-
ported on Sports Days, thanked all who
helped, that \$825.65 ^(H. 25.65) was realized, Mrs
Wishart thanked Mrs Boucher, the
committee and all who helped on Sports
Days giving them much praise for a hard
job well done. Mrs Boucher also re-
ported on the Arena, that a meeting
had been held in connection with the
\$30,000. debenture, and that a letter was

written the Arena Committee from the
Women's Institute assuring them of their
support. Mrs Soldau reported on

the joint farewell tea ^{at home of Mrs. Patterson} held for Mrs Spicer
and Mrs Phillip when they were presented
with H. I. spoons. (Mrs Spicer 3, Mrs Phillip

1.) Mrs Wishart asked that a snap taken
at this tea be sent Mrs Spicer.

Mrs Soldau also reported on the annu-
versary banquet, that 35 members were
present, how pleased she was with the
willingness of each member to take
part in the entertainment. Mrs Wishart
moved a vote of thanks to Mrs Soldau
and her committee for a very enjoyable
evening. Mrs Soldau next gave her
report on the Constitution Conference.

This was a splendid report, but this year
we lost the cup to Rio Grande with
the small victory of our point, Rio
Grande 92. Grande Prairie 91, with
Mrs Foreman getting 4 of Grande
Prairie's point. Mrs Patterson reported
on a letter she received from Dr. Hitchmann
expressing her regret in not being able

to accept our invitation to visit Grande Prairie as other arrangements were made for her. Mrs Patterson also reported on the library, that Mr Richard Mc Donald speaking on radio publicity gave great credit to the Grande Prairie library, that it is one of the few libraries to make use of radio publicity. Mrs Wishart reported that Mrs. King called on her to express her thanks for the splendid box of clothing she received, she said the children were in need of underclothes and over shoes, it was moved by Mrs M^{rs} Fetridge and sec. by Mrs. Kowarsky that another box of clothing be sent Mrs King. Carried Mrs Gave offered to deliver the parcel. Mrs Wishart asked the wish of the members on sending a food parcel to England for Christmas. Mrs Patterson made a motion and Mrs Thomson sec. that \$10.00 be voted to Mrs M^{rs} Fetridge to send a Christmas box to the Women's Institute in England which Mrs Smith (Mrs Torley's sister) is a member. Carried Mrs Wilson and Mrs M^{rs} Fetridge to

attend to packing and mailing. Correspondence read. Note and card of thanks from Mrs Soldan and Mrs Macdonald acknowledging cards of sympathy received. Note of thanks from Mrs Malarchuk for parcel sent her daughter when ill in hospital in Edm. from Mrs M^{rs} Gorman and Mrs Harris expressing belated congratulations on our 25th anniversary, from Grande Prairie Nurses Club asking members to attend a meeting on Oct 28th to organize a Hospital Auxiliary, from Mrs Dickie thanking the members who assisted with the T. B. Campaign, from S. O. D. Co. asking for support in the drive for funds for the Can. National Institute of the Blind, a petition sent by Mrs M^{rs} Gorman in connection with sex parents to be signed and forwarded to our local member in Parliament. This petition was signed by all present. Mrs Bell made a motion and Mrs Henning sec. that \$10.00 be voted to the Can. National Institute of the Blind. Carried

Mrs Wishart presented Mrs Kerr with a Baby Spoon for her new baby, Mrs Kerr Mrs Kerr very nicely thanked the ladies on behalf of her new daughter. Mrs Soldan moved and Mrs Foreman, sec. that all bills be paid. Carried. Mrs Wishart asked for suggestions for ways and means to replenish the treasury, after many suggestions put forward the one suggested by Mrs Kowensky that at least \$2.00 be made as talent money ^{by each member} and brought to the Sec. meeting met with the approval of all. Mrs Wishart next called on Mrs Bell. Mrs Bell gave a splendid paper on "Citizenship" telling of the many duties of the Canadian and Dominion. Mrs Wishart thanked Mrs Bell for this interesting paper and Mrs Flanagan moved a vote of thanks. Mrs Wishart asked if a donation to Queen Society was to be given Mrs Patterson said as the A. N. S. had a new project, it would not be necessary to send the A. N. S. a Queen donation. Photo proof of the banquet were shown and orders taken, the A. N. S. to pay for one for the Album. Mrs Boucher to look after the Album. Mrs Kowensky presented Mrs Foreman

with a N. S. spoon for having the highest points in handicraft at the Conference. Mrs Soldan moved the meeting adjourns. Mrs J. Macdonald will take the Nov. meeting Mrs Macfarlane and Mrs M^{rs} Petridge assisted the hostess in serving a dainty lunch.
Lena M^{rs} Donald. Sec.
G. W. Wishart. Pres. Geo.

Minutes of the November meeting of the
Grande Prairie Womens Institute

Nov. 1949.

The monthly meeting of the Grande Prairie
Womens Institute was held at the home
of Mrs. J. Macdonald on Nov 3rd with twenty
four members and two guests present.

Mrs Wishart, president presiding. Meeting
opened with the reciting of the Institute
Oath. Minutes of the October meeting
read, after a correction by Mrs Wishart
that Sports Day report read that Gross
proceeds \$82.5.65. Net receipts \$42.5.65.
The minutes were adopted.

Treas. report showed a balance as at the
end of Sept \$88.53. Receipts in Oct \$22.00
Expenses \$17.95 Balance \$86.50 Mrs Bowden
see this report.

Correspondence.

Letter from Mrs Phillips expressing app-
reciation for kindness shown her
on her departure from Grande Prairie
and the gift of N. I. spoon Copy of a
letter to Mr Talbot from Dr Rawlinson
giving an account of his interesting
and educational trip to the different
Cancer Research Institutions in
Canada and the United States, thanking

The Calgary Cancer Society for
helping to make this trip possible
Mrs McFetridge reported on Christmas
box sent N. I. in England, mentioned
the many dainty things enclosed, also
reported on box of clothing sent ^{Cost \$10.00} King
this box was filled with many useful
articles of clothing for the children
a discussion followed on sending a
fantasy parcel to Mrs King as the children
needed underclothes. On the motion by
Mrs Bishop, sec by Mrs Gave that
underclothes be purchased for these
children was carried.

Mrs Fiquero reported on the Hospital
Auxiliary meeting, very successful
more members would be welcome,
explained the duties of the Auxiliary.
Mrs Wishart suggested we finish
up the quilt blocks on hand into
a quilt to have in readiness for
a needy call. Mrs Wishart will
ask for volunteers for a nominating
committee for new officers for the
coming year. Mrs Stratton Mrs Selden

and Mrs Weigand volunteered.
Mrs Rowensky made a motion and
Mrs Kelter sec. that the F. H. S. C. seals
be purchased by the Institute and for
the members to buy some also. Carried.
Mrs Fleming made a motion that the
two cents per member be sent the G. H. W.
from our Institute, Mrs Malarchuk
sec. Carried.

Some "Talent Money" was turned in and
the ^{other} members were reminded bring theirs
to the Dec. meeting. Conveners of Standing
Committees were also reminded to bring
their reports to the next meeting.
Roll Call was answered with frank
suggestions.

Mrs Wishart introduced our guest speaker
Mr Stambly. Mr Stambly took for
his subject Education in its
various aspects, stressing on the
teaching of children to live happily
among each other, developing their
own personal gifts, acquiring
knowledge and the development
of their behaviour socially.

Mrs Wishart thanked Mr Stambly for
his very interesting talk, Mrs
Macfarlane moved a hearty vote
of thanks also.

Mrs Wishart welcomed our guests
and extended an invitation to
them to join our Institute.

Mrs Figgers moved the meeting adjourn.
The hostess served a dainty lunch
assisted by Mrs Archuk and Mrs H.
Macdonald, thus bringing another
interesting meeting to a close.
Now I will sign the words Finitis
to five years of Institute Minutes
L. Macdonald Sec.
Pres.

1949
Dec.

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Grande
Prairie Women's Institute.

On Dec 1st twenty-four members of the Grande
Prairie Women's Institute met at the home of
Mrs. S. W. Patterson for their Annual meeting.

After the singing of O'Canada, and repeating
of the Creed, the minutes of the Nov. meeting
were read and adopted. The treasurer's report
shows a balance as at the end of Oct. of
\$88.53. Balance at the end Nov \$86.50

Mrs Hemming sec. this report.

Mrs. McFetridge reported that 5 prs of underwear
elastic and pr. Stockings were purchased for
Mrs. King's family, she also read a letter
from a member of a Woman's Institute in England
acknowledging Christmas box. Mrs. Wishart
explained the error in addressing this parcel
was corrected. Mrs. Wishart next talked about
finishing the quilt on hand for future need
this to be attended to after the holidays.

Correspondence. Letter from Const. Turner
to solicit the purchasing of a membership
by the W. I. at the rate of \$10.00 per year
and to have a representative ^{on} the Board.
from ^{the Film Council} Cancer Society in connection with
the presentation of the certificate of Associate

Membership in The Can. Cancer Society of the
Alberta Women's Institute early in the New
year. The A. W. I. been the only organization
to receive this membership certificate, also
suggested a meeting at some future date
to discuss Cancer, letter from Miss Comelly
presenting her 1950 program, from I.O.G.E.
in connection with Community Chest, from
I.B. Association urging parents to encourage
their children in writing the I.B. Essay.
Motion made by Mrs. Soldau, sec. by Mrs.
McFetridge that our sick members be
remembered by flowers and cards also
a motion by Mrs. Ward, sec. by Mrs. Kowenow
that a Christmas remembrance be sent
Mrs Hemming's daughter who is ill in Victoria
both motions unanimously carried.

Mrs Patterson told of meeting Dr. Hirschmann
in ^{Victoria} ~~Vancouver~~ had a nice short visit with
her. She expressed her regrets in not being
able to visit Grande Prairie and sent
greetings. Roll call was answered
with "How I made my Talent Money" \$45.20
was handed to the treasurer.
Mrs Figgins reported that there were still

some pictures of the banquet to be disposed of
Mrs Wishart reported that a baby spoon was
sent Mrs Moore, a gift for her new baby.

Annual reports called for. This report showed
a very interesting and successful year.

\$1,206.00 was realized and \$1,124.24 spent.

This adopted as read and sec. by Mrs Patterson.

Treasurer gave a full itemized report
on all monies made and how spent,

Mrs Bishop sec. this report. Mrs Boucher
reported on handicraft, of the prizes won
at the Edmonton Convention from this
branch, and the need of greater interest in
handicraft. Mrs Weigand sec. the report.

Mrs Bishop reported on the paper given
on Agriculture and Saw Industry, stressing
the need of conservation on soil and water
and of the destructiveness of soil by erosion.

Mrs Malarchuk sec. the report.

Mrs Kowensky reported on Radio and
Publicity, told of several broadcasts during
the year and the part the N.S. has taken
in the establishment of libraries through-
out this district, the announcement
of meetings, messages from the Provincial

President and District Director, news of The
Federated Body and A. S. N. N. Mrs Miller sec.
the report. Mrs M^{rs} Fetudge reported on

Welfare work, of parcels sent to branches
Overseas and help given local needy. Mrs.
Kowensky sec. this report. Mrs Kowensky
made a motion and Mrs Patterson sec.
that a small gift be sent to the little
girl in France we adopted. Carried. \$2.00
was allocated for this purpose.

Mrs Anatic presented the slate of
Officers for 1955. Slate approved as presented.
Mrs Ward Pres. Mrs Anatic 1st Vice Mrs Soldau
2nd Vice. Mrs Patterson sec, Mrs A Blawgan treas.

Mrs Macfarlane, Mrs Henning Mrs A Wishart Directors
Before leaving the chair Mrs Wishart expressed
sincere thanks to the executive & members for
their splendid support and co-operation during
her stay in office. Mrs Patterson moved a vote
of thanks to the retiring officers.

The new President, Mrs Ward took the Chair
She first dealt with the correspondence. The
letter from Cancer Society tabled. Mrs Ward
read parts from the T.B. Association's letter
explaining its purpose, asked all parents

to encourage their children in writing an essay on this dread disease, letter from Film Council, Mrs Huatink made a motion that we donate \$10.00 to Film Council for a membership and asked Mrs Figgins to continue as our representative on the Board. Carried. Miss Connelly's letter discussed, it was decided to write Miss Connelly asking her to give a talk on Home Planning, the date to be arranged for Feb. Program Committee appointed. Mrs Bishop, Mrs Boucher, Mrs Stoehr. Suggestions for programs were asked for. Mrs Patterson suggested the Feb meeting, to discuss A.C.N.H. Book Review & free eve. also suggested. Mrs Ward asked Mrs. Patterson if she would remain on the Library Board as our representative, she very kindly consented. Mrs Boucher also said she would remain on Arena Committee with Mrs J. Macdonald for moral support. Mrs Wishart was nominated by Mrs Huatink as sick committee, Mrs Bishop and Mrs Malarchuk on Teen-town. Mrs Kowensky made a motion & Mrs Henning sec. that \$10.00 be spent for gifts to patients at hospital

for Christmas Carried. Left to the discretion of Mrs Wishart what to buy. It was not deemed necessary to have a representative on the Red Cross as they have only one or two meetings a year.

Mrs Muller moved the meeting adjourn. The dainty lunch served by the hostess and her assistance brought the activities of the Grand Prairie Women's Institute to a successful end for 1949

Lina Mac Donald,

Pres.

Jan. 1950.

Twenty W. I. members and 1 visitor gathered at the home of Mrs. A. Wishart on January 5 for the first meeting of 1950, with the new president, Mrs. Ward, in the chair. The meeting opened in the usual way. The minutes of the December meeting were read and approved. Correspondence included a card of thanks from Mrs. Moore for the gift of a spoon to her baby, and a card from Mrs. C. Bell, ill in Edmonton, acknowledging a N. I. Christmas message. A letter from Whitbread W. I., England, to Mrs. Wishart, was read, expressing gratitude for our parcel, which ~~was~~ ^{was} to be used as a party for old-age pensioners. Mrs. McFetridge reported a letter from the same W. I. enclosing a calendar, with a picture of Queen Elizabeth addressing their County Rally. Of particular interest was a letter brought by Mrs. Melanck, received by her son Alex from a D. P. in Kiel, Germany. Alex has put his name in the pocket of a pair of trousers shipped with our N. I. parcels last January, and the garment was given a member of this man's family. The treasurer, Mrs. Flanagan, reported a balance

on hand of \$112.73. Mrs. D. Swallow turned in \$2 latest money, and 14 members paid annual dues.

Mrs. Bishop read a program outline prepared by her committee, which was accepted, ^{on motion of Mrs. Seldax, seconded by Mrs. Wilson.} This promises to be an interesting program year.

Mrs. Wishart reports chocolates sent to Alice Benning, ill in Victoria, flowers sent to Mrs. Swallow and to Mrs. Bell. Mrs. Swallow expressed her thanks to the members, and Mrs. Bell relayed her gratitude through her daughter, Mrs. Coyle. Mrs. Wishart also reported having bought at a special price 1 1/2 cases of large cans of fruit juice and 1 box grape oranges for the hospital Christmas treat.

Mrs. McFetridge reported a parcel of small wares sent to the little French girl we adopted last winter, and a parcel of toys and games to the value of \$4.87 sent the King children at Christmas time.

It was moved by Mrs. McFarlane, seconded by Mrs. Melter, that all bills be paid. Carried.

Mrs. Boucher, convener of handicrafts for the branch and for the constituency, gave a talk on the origins of various forms of handicrafts. The history of quilting and patching extends back to cave man days, when worn skins made patching a necessity. In later days, coats of American history were portrayed in patch-work patterns. Katharine of Aragon introduced outline embroidery in black & white into England, this later being adopted and greatly changed on introduction into America. Rag rugs were known to have been made in ancient Egypt. This was an interesting talk.

Mrs. Wishart displayed a lovely woollen patch-work quilt, the work of herself, Mrs. McFarlane and Mrs. Willes, & she held in readiness for an emergency.

It was moved by Mrs. Hnatuk, seconded by Mrs. Malarchuk that Mrs. Hugh McDonald be re-imbursed ¹ for postage, and that the treasurer be given ² and the secretary ⁴ for postage and stationery. Carried.

Mrs. Wilson moved, and Mrs. McFarlane seconded, that co-hostesses be taken

alphabetically after next month, Mrs. Pr. Swallow and Mrs. Kerr having volunteered for next month. White elephant was won by Mrs. Soldan.

It was moved by Mrs. Boucher, seconded by Mrs. Kerr that the new president and ^{treasurer} secretary be empowered to sign cheques. Carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Willes, seconded by Mrs. Swallow that provincial fees be paid. Carried.

The secretary drew the attention of the members to the broadcast on Jan. 6 by Rev. H. Pritchard, the first in the new 1950 series of library broadcasts.

It was moved by Mrs. Soldan, seconded by Mrs. Malarchuk that the meeting adjourn. Tea was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Wiegand.

Rose Patterson Secy.
May Ward Pres.

Officers for 1950

Pres. Mrs. H. L. Ward

1st Vice Mrs. N. Hnatuk

2nd Vice Mrs. S. Soldan

Secy. Mrs. D. W. Patterson

Treas. Mrs. A. Hanagan

Directors - Mrs. J. McFarlane, Mrs. J. Henning,

Mrs. A. Wishart.

Chairmen of Standing Committees

Social Welfare - Mrs. W. Fetridge

Handicraft & Home Ec. - Mrs. O. Bouchor

Citizenship - Mrs. A. Stocke

Ag. & Can. Ind. - Mrs. Forman.

Feb. 1950. The February meeting of the W. J. was held at the home of Mrs. M. J. Swallow on Feb. 2. ^{with president Mrs. Ward in chair, and 17 present} Singing of O Canada and reciting of the creed preceded reading of January minutes, which were adopted with one correction. The roll call - a penny for every inch of waistline - was entertaining, as well as profitable, \$5.00 being netted for the treasury. The treasurer reported a balance of \$69.59. Mrs. Henning relayed thanks from Alice for chocolate. A very nice letter from Mrs. Bell, acknowledging flowers was read. The secretary reported the receipt of a letter from Mrs. J. Howes, publicity convener for northern Alberta, requesting a photograph of the president for publicity purposes. Mrs. Malarchuk reported the receipt of another letter from Kiel, Germany, from the recipient of G. P. garments. Evidently these garments go to those in greatest need. This letter was in reply to one sent by Mrs. Malarchuk.

Mrs. Wishart reported the fine wool "emergency" quilt sent to the Dulch family

at Dimsdale, whose belongings were lost in a fire. Mrs. H. Natwick, ~~our Red Cross representative~~ reported that several of our members had assisted Red Cross in packing the great

Mrs. Natwick reported some surplus clothing sent needy local family.

quantity of clothing and supplies sent this family. The president thanked these members.

Mrs. Patterson gave an informal talk on the relationship between a W. I. branch and the provincial organization, ^(A. W. I.) and from that with the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada (F. W. I. C.) and the Associated Country Women of the World (A. C. W. W.) This was in accordance with the A. W. I. suggestion that February be the F. W. I. C. and A. C. W. W. month.

It was moved by Mrs. Wishart, seconded by Mrs. Boucher, that we take \$3.50 from our waisting money and send the prov. treas. as our contribution to the Mrs. Alfred Watt Memorial fund.

Then followed a real treat for those present, the showing of the film "Let There be Light", with Mrs. Feggie at the controls. This very beautiful Technicolor film, on loan from Guelph Agric. College,

was prepared at the time of the W. I.'s 50th birthday, and portrayed, amongst other things, the colorful pageant at Guelph in 1947, depicting the history of Women's Institutes from their founding in 1897 at Stony Creek, Ont. to their embracing of 26 countries of the world in 1947. We were pleased to note Mrs. Morton and other familiar F. W. I. C. figures taking part in the ceremony.

The secretary received \$4 for stationery and stamps. It was moved by Mrs. Carl, seconded by Mrs. Solder that secretary be reimbursed for films express charges. Ten subscriptions for Home and Country were taken. White Elephant was won by Mrs. Ward. Tea was served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Norman Swallow and Mrs. Kerr. The next meeting to be at Mrs. N. Swallow's home.

Rose Patterson, Secy.
May Ward, Pres.

Mar. 50.

Twenty-three members and 2 visitors gathered for the regular W. S. meeting at the home of Mrs. Norman Swallow on March 2. The president, Mrs. Ward, opened the meeting and the members repeated the creed. The secretary read the minutes, which were approved with one correction. The president then introduced Miss Cecelia Connelly, district Home Economist, who gave a very fine talk on kitchen planning and re-modelling. Miss Connelly illustrated her talk with charts and plans and bulletins. Bulletins were issued to those present, and members were encouraged to ask questions, and to phone requests for further bulletins. This district is fortunate in having such a co-operative and well-informed young Home Economist.

Business was then proceeded with. The treasurer, Mrs. Haragan, reported a bank balance of \$71.89. Mrs. Haragan moved, and Mrs. Higgins seconded, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Correspondence was dealt with. On motion

of Mrs. Hnatuk, seconded by Mrs. Soldan, a letter from the Society for Incurables was tabled, as individual members had been ^{presented} ^{handed} ^{over} ^{to} ^{the} ^{const.} ^{com.} circularized by this society. A nice little ^{carried} letter from Alice Henning was read. Mrs. Malarchuk brought the original and translation of another letter from a St. in Kiel, Germany, who had formerly received W. S. clothing. A letter from local Red Cross was read re representation at their meeting. Mrs. McDonald presented a letter received by her, inviting her to the convention of the Alberta branch of Can-Career Socy in Lethbridge, in recognition of her services as convener of '49 career drive. A letter from A. W. S. president, Mrs. McGowan, was read giving details of the Blue-jean for action, which provides that one delegate from each W. S. branch attend a "Career School" in May to promote education in the matter of career control and services available.

The president announced a surprise award, in place of the regular White Elephant, would be given in April to the person best

prepared for gardening. Mrs. Forman announced that Mrs. J. Stranaitka, Dist. Agri-culturist would give a talk in April, using colored slides.

It was moved by Mrs. Henning, seconded by Mrs. Welles, that we pay 10 Const. fees. Carried.

The matter of a contribution during the current Boy Scout campaign was brought up. Moved by Mrs. Bishop, seconded by Mrs. Malarchuk, that we give 5 to Boy Scout drive. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Wishart, seconded by Mrs. Bouehou, that we give 25 to our provincial project - The Copenhagen Fund. Mrs. Howensky relayed greetings from Spirit Valley W. J. to our branch.

Mrs. Hnatuk reported the attendance of herself, Mrs. Bouehou & Mrs. Koberaad at Red Cross drive organization meeting. Mrs. Hnatuk brought receipt books & literature & asked for volunteers to canvass the business section and adjoining streets. The following volunteered: Mesdames Patterson, Howensky,

Care, Henning, Malarchuk, J. McDonald Forman and Bishop. Mrs. Bouehou is arranging for members to be in attendance at headquarters during drive.

The matter of a delegate to the Carew School was discussed at some length. On motion of Mrs. Wishart, seconded by Mrs. Soldan that Mrs. Hnatuk be our delegate. Mrs. Hnatuk asked that an alternate be chosen. On motion of Mrs. H. McDonald & Mrs. Higgins, Mrs. Forman was chosen as alternate.

White elephant was won by Mrs. Malarchuk. Moved by Mrs. Care, sec. Mrs. Welles that we adjourn. Tea was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Bouehou and Mrs. Kanagan.

Rose Patterson Secy.
May Ward Pres.

April '50

Twenty-four ^{women} members and one visitor met at Mrs. Howenski's home on Apr. 6, with the president, Mrs. Ward, in the chair. The meeting opened with the creed. Minutes were read and approved. An original roll-call "Are you prepared for gardening?" was in the form of a physical contest, to determine which member could best touch the floor without bending the knees. Results were better than anticipated. Following the elimination contest, Mrs. Bouchor received the prize in the finals. The treasurer reported a bank balance of \$43.22, report being adopted on motion of Mrs. Flanagan, seconded by Mrs. Howenski. Mrs. McFudge brought a letter from the matron of the Unitarian orphanage, Maison d'enfants, Sirres, France, and a delightful childish painting by the recipient of our Christmas parcel, little Michèle Bulliard.

Correspondence included a "Thank you" receipt from Central body of Boy Scouts of Alberta, a letter from Mrs. McFakare and a circular from G.P. Municipality. Mrs. McFakare's letter resulted in a motion by Mrs. Weyand

seconded by Mrs. Figgures ^{Hearing}, that we bring Christmas cards to the May meeting, to be sent to England to be re-made for Legion charitable purposes. ^{Carried} A letter from Municipality regarding furnishing for Old Men's Home, Mrs. Bishop moved, Mrs. Figgures seconded, that the matter be tabled until the next meeting. ^{Carried} Mrs. Howenski, Constituency convener, reported Mrs. Bouchor had been appointed in her place to attend "Blue print for action", as she was unable to go. Mrs. Bouchor reported the addition of several additions to the provincial handicraft list. Mrs. McDonald gave a most interesting report on the convention in Lethbridge of the Alberta Cancer Society. \$110,000 was raised in 1949. Following Mrs. McDonald's report Grande Prairie and Peace River districts received great praise for their contributions. Provincial headquarters will henceforth be in Edmonton rather than Calgary. \$50,000 was given Dr. Butterfield for cancer research. A fine picture was passed around, displaying an enormous cheque held by Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. Dallancon

of Peace River and 2 stenographers.

Mrs. Wishart, ^{and Mrs. McPetridge} each received magazines from Mrs. G. Smith in England, which were passed around. Mrs. Hnatuk reported 1128.83 raised by W. J. canvassers in the recent Red Cross drive. Mrs. Hnatuk, on behalf of the Red Cross, thanked the members who had assisted.

Mrs. Bell moved, and Mrs. Wishart seconded that the secretary write Mrs. N. Stewart of Victoria, former prov. pres., a note of sympathy on the death of her husband. Carried.

Mrs. J. Stranaka, dist. agriculturist, was then introduced by the president. The vital topic of soil conservation was the theme of Mrs. Stranaka's talk and the fine color films shown. V.S. has lost through erosion $4\frac{1}{2}$ times the amount Canada has planted to cereal crops. Canada has an enviable place as a seed producer, but weeds are making inroads, especially on our oats. The root of the trouble is that not enough attention is paid to simple fundamentals of agricultural practice. The provincial agricultural set up helps

spread knowledge of proper farming methods. The municipalities have a board to assist farmers with all problems. (In municipalities) Mrs. Forman moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mrs. Stranaka, seconded by Mrs. Welles. Carried.

A discussion re money-making followed. It was finally decided on motion of Mrs. Wilson, seconded by Mrs. Welles, that we hold a home-cooking sale in one of the order offices on an early Saturday, arrangements to be left to Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Hnatuk. Moved by Mrs. Forman that we adjourn. A social time was enjoyed over tea served by the hostess and Mrs. Bishop and Mrs. Coyne.

Jose Patterson, Secy
May Ward, Pres.

May '50

Thirty members and 3 visitors met for the May W.I. meeting May 4 at the home of Mrs. Patterson. President, Mrs. Ward was in the chair. Following ^{o Canada} Creed minutes were read and adopted. The roll call was answered by name of a European country, its capital and a custom of the country. This was quite interesting, visitors taking part. In the absence of the treasurer, Mrs. Hanagan, Mrs. Kratuk gave the financial report. The balance of 50.62 from April was supplemented by \$37.27, proceeds from recent home cooking sale, a total of 87.89. Moved by Mrs. Kratuk, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, that report be adopted. Carried. Mrs. Ward thanked the committee, Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Kratuk, the Ladies who helped at the ^{Lila Mae McDonald for poster} room, and members for donation for this very successful home-cooking sale. Secretary read correspondence; - a letter from Mrs. William Stewart of Victoria, replying to our note of sympathy, a request from local cancer drive committee for donation. Secretary brought to the members' notice the Royal Bank monthly letter and recent copy of Federation

News. Matter of contribution & furnishing of Old Peoples Home, tabled from April meeting, was brought forward. After some discussion it was decided to lay the matter before constituency conference for joint action if thought advisable. Secretary was instructed to write municipal council to enquire what, if anything, was to be done in matter of elderly women seeking accommodation. This was done in notice of Mrs. Wishart, seconded by Mrs. Herring Carried. Mrs. McDonald spoke on cancer drive. Mrs. Kratuk, W.I. representative on the committee, requested canvassers from for the zone. Mrs. Ward and Mrs. Orshuk volunteered. Mrs. Kowensky, constituency comm. reports that Const. Cong. is to be held in St. Paul's church, Grande Prairie, on Tues. June 20, morning session commencing at 10 o'clock, ^{& afternoon at 1.30} It is expected that Spirit Valley & Crooked Creek will be joint hostesses, with Grande Prairie supplying tea requisites. Mrs. A. Smart opened canon. Mrs. B. Branch chairman of standing committees were reminded

to get full reports ready for constituency
chairman. Mrs. Bouchor, const. chairman
convenes, reminds members to have exhibits
in by June 19.

Mrs. Wishart, convenor of sects committee,
reports Mrs. N. Swallow gravely ill, Mrs. Weller
the mother of a new baby girl. It was also reported
that Mrs. Wiegand's father-in-law had passed
on, and that a note of sympathy had been
written, our treasurer on loss of her brother,
& note of acknowledgment of sympathy card
was received from Mrs. Ireland.

Two matters dealt with following adjourn-
ment will be recorded at this point.
Moved by Mrs. Bishop, seconded by Mrs.
Bouchor that \$15 be donated to local Carew
fund. Carried. Also the members declared
themselves in favor of an early home-
working sale, but due to lateness of the
hour, no definite action was taken.

The program on citizenship, which
followed, was of particular interest.
Mrs. A. Stock, convenor, gave a short
but pithy talk on "How to become
a Canadian citizen." She wished a pamphlet

would be written on "How to become a
good Can. citizen. A new settler should
come with an open mind, and should
not expect roast chicken to fly into his
mouth. Many O.P.'s are not satisfied.
Mrs. Stock read excerpts from a pamphlet
giving all steps leading to full city citizenship.
The guest speaker, Mrs. Kristianson,
was introduced. Mrs. Kristianson, only
8 months out from Denmark spoke
beautiful English, learned in early life
at school in England, that was a pleasure
to hear. She spoke of conditions under
German occupation. Before the war
Denmark was a Garden of Eden, with
good social welfare work. At the beginning
inhabitants were fairly well treated under
German rule, with conditions worsening
as time went on. Finally Danish under-
ground movement grew, fed by messages
over British radio. The King became
more popular. "The right to think, believe,
and speak freely had gone. In '43 an
open breach came. People were helpful
to Sweden. Sabotage increased. In '44

all Danish policemen were arrested & sent to concentration camps. Gestapo took over with some Danish collaborators. Mrs. Kristianson herself once just escaped a bullet meant for her, for her assistance to the resistance movement. A general strike in '44 lasted 4 days. After liberation candles were lit in all windows & British flags seen everywhere. Mrs. Kristianson passed around Danish pamphlets.

Mrs. McDonald moved, Mrs. Stockhouse would, a very hearty vote of thanks for this fascinating talk. Carried.

Motion to adjourn by Mrs. Kowarsky and Mrs. Malachuk was carried. Three new members were welcomed, Mrs. Burd, Mrs. Diermer, and Mrs. Palmer.

Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Higgins assisted the hostess in serving tea, while members and visitors enjoyed a social half-hour.
Rose Patterson, Secy.

Roll-call - A European country, its capital, and a custom of its people.

June '50. On June first, W. S. members met at the United Church corner for the drive to the home of Mrs. A. Smart, for our regular meeting. There were 21 members & 1 visitor. Mrs. Ward presided over the meeting, which was opened in the usual way. The minutes were read and adopted. Correspondence was dealt with. Following a letter regarding "Shut-In" Sunday, it was suggested Mrs. Wishes write a note to a former member, Mrs. Morrison. The secretary read a copy of a letter sent to Municipal Council re Old People's Home. The reply from Mr. Bower, Secy-Treas., revealed that, under the present plan of operation, no provision could be made for admission of elderly women. The matter of donations will be brought up at Constituency Conference. A note of acknowledgment of cash was received from Mrs. Flanagan. A letter from Dr. Hirschmanova was read, asking for help with European handicapped children. It was moved by Mrs. McDonald, sec. by Mrs. Bishop that the letter be tabled.

11th Sept. The secretary was instructed to write Dr. Hitzschmanova that we hope to make a donation at that time.

Mrs. Wishart reported flowers sent to Mrs. N. Swallow. Thrown by Mrs. Coyne, sec. by Mrs. Malarchuk, all bills to be paid, including flowers, spoon, and Herald-Tribune for advertising. Treasurer, Mrs. Flanagan, reported a balance of \$86.01. Report adopted on motion of Mrs. Flanagan, sec. by Mrs. Bouchor.

Discussion followed re booth at July 1-3 sports. Mrs. Bouchor reported athletic association willing to allow W.I. 60% of net proceeds. With this unexpected offer, it was decided on motion of Mrs. Hnatuk and Mrs. Welles that we operate a booth. The following agreed to act on committee - Mesdames Hnatuk, Bouchor, Orchuk, McDonald and Care. Moved by Mrs. Wishart, sec. by Mrs. Wegand, that every member be responsible for 2 pies - $\frac{1}{2}$ of members donating on Saturday, and the remainder on Monday, pies to be left at home of Mrs. Hnatuk. Pamela Frances Welles, present at last W.I. meeting, was presented by Mrs.

Ward with a silver spoon in honor of the occasion.

It was moved by Mrs. Henning, seconded by Mrs. Orchuk, that we contribute \$25 to the A.W.I. fund for Manitoba flood relief. Moved by Mrs. Bouchor, sec. Mrs. Care that we pack a box of clothing for the same cause - deadline June 10. Mrs. Care offered to pick up clothing for those who have no car. Freight bill was authorized to be paid, on motion of Mrs. Malarchuk and Mrs. Bell.

Secretary reported used Christmas cards shipped to England at a cost of 37¢. In the absence of Constet. Convenor Mrs. Gowensky, the secretary presents plans for Constet. Conf. to be held in St. Paul's basement Tues. June 20. Grande Prairie members were asked to assist in preparation of handicrafts and tea. The following ladies offered to assist at one or both - Mesdames Wishart, Henning, Moore, Ward, Flanagan, Forman, Bishop. Mrs. Bell was chosen as conference delegate, with

Mrs. Forman as alternate.

It was moved by Mrs. Bell, sec. by Mrs. Wilson that we vote ¹⁰ to Mrs. Hnatuk, our Health Institute delegate, for out of pocket expenses.

Mrs. Hnatuk gave her report on the Health Institute and U of A in Edmonton, so was an unforgettable experience, with so many valuable lectures and demonstrations crowded into the course, that time permitted only the telling of program highlights. This was done in a most vivid manner.

Meetings will later be organized for detailed presentation of knowledge gleaned at the Health Institute. A lively discussion followed Mrs. Hnatuk's report. Mrs.

O. Bouchor, who represented Mrs. Kovensky at the Cane School, contributed to the discussion.

Then followed a short enjoyable singing of numbers used at the Health Institute, with orchestral accompaniment, Mrs. Care, first violin, and Mrs. Bishop on the organ.

Moved by Mrs. Care, seconded by

Mr. Moore, that we adjourn, Carried.
Then followed a social period, during which Mrs. Smart and Mrs. Welles served strawberry short-cake and other delicious food. This visit to the home of our one county member was a real treat.

Rose Patterson, Secy.
May Ward Pres.

Sept. '50

Mrs. Ireland was hostess for the September meeting of the Grande Prairie W. I. on Sept. 7. Mrs. Ward presided, and 22 members were present. O Canada, followed by the creed opened the meeting. The secretary read the minutes of the June meeting, which were approved. The treasurer reported a balance of \$257.28. The secretary read the correspondence which included an acknowledgment from England of used Christmas cards, a letter from Dr. Hitchmanor's secretary, one from Mrs. Leprud, A. W. I. vice - pres acknowledging clothing parcel, and a card of thanks from Rita Malarchuk. It was moved by Mrs. Weyand, seconded by Mrs. Welter, that we adopt a handicapped European orphan for 3 months. Carried. If possible, we would take little nichilo. It was moved by Mrs. Boucher, seconded by Mrs. Hanning, that \$25 be given the Constituting fund towards furnishing a unit in the Old Peoples Home. Carried. Mrs. Ward stated that the S. A. officials had approached her re the W. I. taking on

the Red Shield campaign. After a short discussion Mrs. Bishop moved, with Mrs. Case seconding, that we do not undertake this work.

Mrs. Wishart reported flowers sent Mrs. Knatuk following his accident July 1; corsages presented presiding officers and guests at W. I. conference, and chocolates for Rita Malarchuk.

The secretary reported Mrs. McForman had bought an evening bag with gifts from constituency conference, also that Mrs. McForman and Mrs. Harris had enjoyed the conference.

Mrs. Kowensky reported the new W. I. broadcast time of 11.45 - 12 on second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Senie Can. Utilities has a new transcribed program, C79 P is giving this free unsponsored time to Women's Institute. On motion of Mrs. Wilson, seconded by Mrs. J. McDonald, the secretary was instructed to express to C79 P the thanks of the G. P. W. I.

Mrs. Wishart thoughtfully brought clippings with photographs and reports

of the activities of the Canadian W. I. delegation on ship-board en route to Copenhagen. The secretary read the account.

Mrs. Hnatuk, fresh from her day's work at the Blood Donor Clinic, gave a report on the July 1-3 booth. Mrs. Hnatuk thanked her committee, Mrs. Orshuk for cleaning booth and running car, Mrs. Care for use of truck and taking out stove, Father Clear for extra stove, the Academy for dishes, Mr. Fleming for donating eggs for salad, Mrs. Bliss for making coffee, Mrs. Wilson for making salad and all members who worked so well - not forgetting Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Welter who took care of Mrs. Hnatuk's children. \$217 was realized from the booth. Mrs. Welter proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to Mrs. Hnatuk and her committee for their heavy task of managing the booth. This carried unanimously. Mrs. Hnatuk also expressed her husband's thanks for the flowers received.

Mrs. Hnatuk read the proposed

itinerary of Mrs. Talbot, Cancer Society secretary at end of September. On motion of Mrs. Hnatuk, seconded by Mrs. Welter, it was decided to ask Mrs. Talbot to hold a meeting in Grande Prairie.

Mrs. Care and Mrs. Henning reports on the 3 boxes of clothing packed in June; which included some new underwear, stockings and clothing as well as good used clothing.

Mrs. Boucho, Constab. Handicrafts convener, asked for suggestions for revising the handicraft list. Much discussion followed. Finally, on motion of Mrs. Wilson, seconded by Mrs. Solder, the following recommendations were presented to Mrs. Boucho.

- (1) Handicrafts list to be simplified.
- (2) 100 copies of prize list & rules to be procured & distributed.
- (3) The time limit of making articles be eliminated - but article must not previously have won prize at const. conf.
- (4) That the Grande Prairie W. I. approve the new ruling of having all handicraft in 3 days previous to conference.

Moved by Mrs. Boucher, seconded by
Mrs. Kowensky that we adjourn. Carried.
Refreshments were served by the hostess
assisted by Mrs. Henning and Mrs. Fosman.

Rose Patterson Secy

May Ward. Pres.

Oct. 1950

Twenty-one members and 2 visitors met at
the home of Mrs. S. Soldan on Oct. 5, with
Mrs. Ward, president, on the chair. O Canada was
followed by the Creed. The secretary read the
minutes of the September meeting, which were
approved. The treasurer, Mrs. Hanagan,
reported a balance of \$192.13, which report
she moved for adoption, seconded by Mrs.
Orchuk. Carried. The secretary reports a
letter from Dr. Hitzschmanova, expressing deep
gratitude for the adoption of little Michele, and
enclosing a photo of the child. Mrs. Hanagan
received a circular letter from Dr. H. giving
an account of the dire need in Greece and other
European countries. After some discussion
it was moved by Mrs. Glomson, seconded
by Mrs. Wisheit, that each member bring
a diaper for November roll call. Moved by
Mrs. Kratink, seconded by Mrs. Kowensky,
that we buy infant nightgowns for overseas
shippers. Carried. Mrs. McFadriga very
kindly offered to make a dozen nightgowns
available at wholesale price. Moved by Mrs.
Bishop, seconded by Mrs. Bell, that this offer
be gratefully accepted. Carried.

Mrs. Kowensky gave me or two highlights from
her recent W.I. broadcast. Mrs. Short is
now a v.p. of A.C.W.W. Our delegates were
royally entertained by Eng. & Scottish organists.
As constituency convenes, Mrs. Kowensky also
reported \$91 donated to date by W.I.'s for
Greenide Home unit. Mrs. Coyne reported
an appeal from I.O.W.E. for 2 W.I. canvassers
to assist in their N.I.B. appeal. It was
moved by Mrs. Wechant, sec. by Mrs. McFetridge
that we provide 2 canvassers. Mrs.
McFetridge and Mrs. Wechant kindly volunteered.
Mrs. Smart then produced a lovely, ice,
3 layer Christmas cake, her own voluntary
gift, to be raffled by W.I. Good members
thought such a large cake should make
2 prizes, so Mrs. Henning moved, Mrs.
Bishop seconded, that the cake be divided
carried. Mrs. Henning volunteered to spread
icing when cake is divided if this is needed.
Mrs. Solder offered to display cake in
their fine show window. Moved by
Mrs. McFetridge, seconded by Mrs. McFetridge,
that Mrs. Henning, Mrs. Bouckor & Mrs.
Solder comprise a committee

to make necessary arrangements for
cake raffle. ^{seconded by Mrs. Wechant, seconded}
by Mrs. Wilson that a hearty vote of
thanks be given, ^{seconded by Mrs. Wechant, seconded}
roll call "I just read that" - ^{seconded}
entertaining.

The guest speaker, Mrs. A.M. Carlisle, was
then introduced by the president, and
everyone listened with deep attention while
Mrs. Carlisle reviewed the book "Escape &
Live" by Wng - Com - Ed. Howell, OBE, DFC.
This book concerns the physical and
spiritual escape of the author from
a P.O.W. hospital in Greece, and is very
thought-provoking. Mrs. Bell moved
a sincere vote of thanks to Mrs. Carlisle, which
was unanimously carried.

Mrs. Bouckor won the white elephant.
At the close of the meeting refreshment was
served by the hostesses, assisted by Mrs.
McFetridge and Mrs. Lynn.

Rose Patterson Secy
May Ward Pres.

November '50.

Members of G. P. W. J. met on Oct. 2 at the home of Mrs. J. McDonald, with 17 members and 2 visitors present, Mrs. Ward in the chair. In the absence of Mrs. Flanagan, the secretary read the treasurer's report, bank balance amounting to \$1,95.24. Mrs. Ward commented on the lovely posters, made by Margaret Wilson, on display in G. P. Hardware window, advertising fruit cake raffle. Moved by Mrs. Kovensky, sec. Mrs. Henning that a small box of candy be given Margaret, as a small token of our appreciation, Mrs. Ward to purchase same. Mrs. Ward thanked the committee in charge of raffle for work done so far. Mrs. Wiegand reports that she & Mrs. McPhlips were responsible for turning over \$41.20 to C. N. I. B. campaign.

Correspondence - A long letter from Dr. Fitzhmanova letter of need in Greece and rewarding work done by Veterans Services in Europe was read. A picture of Michelo, our little orphan, was passed around.

A letter from Miss Pat Seldon, Dist. H.E., was read regarding demonstrations and lectures moved by Mrs. Wiegand, sec. Mrs. Weller, that the matter be left to program committee, and that Miss Seldon be notified. Carrie Mrs. McFarlane brought blocks for a quilt, beautifully done by herself. Mrs. Wishart & Mrs. Henning volunteered to buy material for backs & to arrange for quilting on week of Nov. 20. Mrs. Weller moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mrs. McFarlane. The applause of the members revealed their deep appreciation. Mrs. Patterson reports having "sat in" on Library Bd. meeting as W. J. representative. The radio committee will function again this winter. A report on film committee was received indirectly from Mrs. Figgins - nothing of interest to report at the moment.

Mrs. Wishart reports a spray sent to the funeral of the late Mrs. Morrison, a former secretary and faithful member of our Institute. Mrs. Wishart also to be of flowers sent Mrs. Lorne Harris, our divider, to express our sympathy in the tragic

death of her husband. (An acknowledgment was received the day after the meeting).

Mrs Bishop reports Green-Sowa work barely started for the fall. Mrs McFudge brought 1 doz. infant nighties in individual cellophane wrappings, bought at wholesale price for our overseas shipment. Cost only

5.75. Mrs Bishop moved a vote of thanks to Mrs McFudge, which also brought a round of applause.

Mrs Fowensky reports the closing of the Winnipeg depot, this information having been received from Mrs McForman

Moved by Mrs Shepard, see Mrs Wilson that Secy write Dr. H. inquiring where they may be sent.

Raffle tickets beautifully made by the Sisters at St Joseph's business school, were passed out, all money & stubs to be in by next meeting.

Moved by Mrs Wilson, see Mrs Malarchuk, that all bills be paid. Carried.

Moved by Mrs Care, see Mrs McDonald that Mrs McFudge be given \$2.50 for a Christmas parcel for little Michèle and

Mrs Fowensky reports as Constable Convent, on her visit to the enthusiastic girls' Club at Lynburn.

Mrs G. Bishop then gave a very interesting paper on the work of *Paula Natwa*, part of which was prepared by Mrs J. H. Howes & Miller & the remainder by Mrs Bishop. This talk, following closely on *One Nation* Day, gave a comprehensive picture of all agencies under the V. N. working for the good of mankind.

President called for volunteers for Nomin. Committee, resulting in Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Care & Mrs. Patterson constituting the committee.

(Refreshments served by the hostess, and Mrs. Malarchuk & Mrs. Moore brought an interesting evening to a close.

Rose Patterson Secy.
May Ward. Pres.

Roll call resulted in at least one and in many cases, more, colored fl'ette deapus and ^{some} other layette from each member.

December, 1950.

The annual meeting and Christmas party of the G. P. W. S. was held on Dec. 7 at the home of Mrs. Patterson, with 29 members and 3 visitors present, ^{Mrs. Ward in the chair.} Meeting opened with O Canada and the Creed. November minutes were read and approved. The treasurer reported a bank balance of \$183.74.

A letter from the secretary of the Red Shield asking for help in their campaign was read. Since this letter was received too late for any action, the secretary was asked to explain in acknowledgment. Moved by Mrs. Bell, sec. by Mrs. Boucher that we give \$10 to the campaign. Carried.

Correspondence included a nice note of thanks from Margaret Wilson, a letter from Mrs. McForman regarding diapers, etc., and a note of thanks and explanation from Dr. Hetschmanova's secretary, and a letter of thanks from the provincial executive office of the C. N. I. B. for our part in assisting in their drive.

Mrs. Wiskert reported 2 quilts made up by the committee, lining being

One quilt was sent immediately to turn over to W. J. members at Kilmartin

purchased at a cost of \$4. Moved by Mrs. Solder, sec. Mrs. Korovsky that this be paid. Mrs. McFudge ^{Hennings} reports on the parcels packed by Mrs. Hennings ^{Lucely} & sent by ^{Mrs. McFudge} herself, for to wit: - 1 shawl, 1 cot spread, 1 cot quilt, 1 blanket, 50x, bottles, soap, washcloths and 25 diapers for overseas babies. Mrs. McFudge reported a nice parcel sent our orphan, Michèle. Express bill on diaper parcel was \$1.70. Mrs. Bishop brought forward a bill for \$1.16 for party expenses, and a bill for 1.50 was presented by ~~Dr. Hetschmanova~~. Moved by Mrs. Boucher, sec. Mrs. Weyand all bills be paid. Carried.

Roll call - "What I Want for Christmas" produced some surprises.

Mrs. Ward then declared the annual meeting open and called for reports. Secretary gave a brief resume of a very ^{membership 37, 16 meetings held, attendance of 23} successful year's work. Treasurer reported \$1012.99 raised during the year, with a bank balance Nov. 30 of \$183.74. Mrs. Solder followed with the auditor's report, certifying

books correct.

Mrs. Wishard, for the sick & flower committee, reported on the number of flowers, cards, and treats sent during the year.

Mrs. Forman, for Ag. & Can. Ind., gave an account of a full program at the April meeting.

Mrs. Stecher, for citizenship, reported a film, 5 talks and a book review coming under her department.

Mrs. Bouchor reported 2 talks on handicrafts and Home Ec., and the winning of the constitution spoon by Mrs. Weller and the cup by Grande Prairie.

Mrs. Howensky reported 13 broadcast, just under sponsorship of Can. Military, then of C + G P now giving 2 per week a month, also of monthly reports in H. T.

Mrs. McFudge, for Social Welfare and Social Services, had a great deal to report of both local and overseas parcels, that made us realize just how much we had done for those in need here and abroad. Mrs. Swallow seconded the moving of all reports. Carried.

Mrs. Case presented the report of the

nominating committee. Moved by Mrs. Solhan, sec. Mrs. Bouchor, the slate be accepted. Carried.

Mrs. Fratriuk moved, and Mrs. Howensky seconded, that a very hearty vote of thanks be given the retiring president, Mrs. Ward, and convenor of Social Welfare, Mrs. McFudge, for their excellent work during the year. Both Mrs. Ward and Mrs. McFudge have held positions during the year, and are much to be commended. This vote was carried enthusiastically.

Mrs. Wishard ^{Wilson} moved, sec. by Mrs. Wishard that To be given for hospital treats. ^{Carried} Mrs. Wishard feeling unable to continue as sick and flower convenor, it was moved by Mrs. McFudge, sec. by Mrs. Case, that Mrs. Archuk act as a committee of one. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Bell, sec. Mrs. McDonald, that 1951 program committee consist of Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Forman and a new member, Mrs. Borstad. Carried. Mrs. Bouchor asked for volunteers from W. I. to assist in hospital sewing.

A number of members volunteered to act when called upon, under the connoership of Mrs. Wilson.

Moved by Mrs. Soldan, sec. Mrs. Kerr, that a letter of appreciation be written Sr. Mrs. Flouin for kindly preparing fruit cake raffle tickets. Tickets, ^{stubs} & money were handed in to Mrs. Pouchor, and arrangements were made for the draw.

The meeting was then turned over to the program committee, Mrs. Bishop, Mrs. Pouchor & Mrs. Stock. A highly entertaining program of contests, singing & the appearance of Santa Claus with his gift sack followed. The committee and Mrs. Santa Berning Claus are to be congratulated. Prize winners were Mrs. Ward & Mrs. McJadone. At a late hour refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. McJadone, Mrs. H. Mc Donald, Mrs. ^m Swallow, Mrs. Stock and Mrs. Archuk.

Following is the list of officers for 1951.

1951 officers.

Pres. - Mrs. N. Knatuk
1st Vice - Mrs. Bishop
2nd Vice - Mrs. Soldan
Secretary - Mrs. Patterson
Treas. - Mrs. Flanagan
Directors - Mrs. Wishard, Mrs. McJadone,
Mrs. Herring.
Conveners of Standing Committees:
Ag. & Can. Ind. - Mrs. Forman
Citizenship - Mrs. Stock
House Ec. - Mrs. Pouchor
Radio & Publicity - Mrs. Koverdy
Social Welfare - Mrs. Carr
Auditors - Mrs. Soldan, Mrs. Moore.
Flower & Ticket Com. - Mrs. Archuk.
Rose Patterson Secy.
Pres.

D. B.

Pres. - Bell Ward { soap cologne } to Alice Henning. (flowers & Weyand?)

Program - ^{mond.} Forman. see. McFetridge { accepted carried

Mrs Boucher - remembrance to boynton
Discussion. freetrip.

Wilson / minute book to bought.
Coyne {

walter / send for creeds. Carried
Boucher {

Mrs Boucher rec'd handwrt list
will have x copy typed. Mr. Walter
Mrs. Kern & Mr. Hnatuk.

Wilson / letter of appreciation @
Bell { sent Mrs Smart -74
music. Carried

Weyand Mr. Fetridge send

Canada
Creeds. minutes
74 cake raffle

Belaney \$242.43. - see. Mr. Walter Carried

Correspondence - Mrs Seldon
- Mrs McForman

Discussion. Mrs Boucher { 25 to a. w. O. quad.

Life membership { Bell in part of establishing a. w. O. life membership
Walter

Carried

Members at large { Ward Carried
Wilson

Dr. Hetchmanova. Thanks.

Excerpt from gazette for mother
& hospital officials.

Film Council. - Mrs. Forman.

Library - Mrs. Patterson
New schedule. Broadcasting

1/2 hr every Friday - Jan. 19.

Mrs. Case reporter guilt sent family
as Clairmont - turned out.

Mrs. Wishart sent word that we might
make blocks & she would help put
them together.

Mrs. Hnatuk reports having seen the
Belaney family.

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82	Mrs L. Bell	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
168	Mrs L Bishop	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-166	Mrs O Bouchard	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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-	Mrs B. Coyne	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-	Mrs Croft	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
779-2	Mrs N. Figgures	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-378	Mrs. A. Flanagan	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-266-2	Mrs. S. Foreman	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-145	Mrs. N. Gynatius	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-99	Mrs. J. Henning	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-	Mrs ⁴ Kerr	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
741	Mrs. C. Ireland	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-	Layman	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
290	Mrs L. Kowensky	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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Mrs. A. MacDonald	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mrs. J. Macfarlane	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-295 Mrs M ² Fetzige	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-415 Mrs. B. M ² Millan	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mrs. Malarchuk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-299 Mrs. Moore	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Macdonald J.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-435 Mrs. P. Orchut	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
68 Mrs S. H. Patterson	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-56 Mrs J. Phillips	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mrs. A. Smart	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-215 Mrs. F. Spicer	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-395 Mrs. A. Stacker	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-79 Mrs. M. Swallow	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-383 Mrs. N. Swallow	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-430 Mrs. D. Seldan	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-95 Mrs. J. Thomson	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-448 Mrs. S. Waigand	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mrs. Welter	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-97 Mrs. A. Wilson	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-386 Mrs. A. Wickert	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-443 Mrs. H. Ward	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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| 168 Mrs. M. Bishop | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| 166 Mrs. O. Boucher | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |

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| 290 Mrs. L. Kowensky | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
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| 145 Mrs. N. Strathairn | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
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| 301 Mrs. H. Mac Donald | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
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| 99 Mrs. A. Wilson | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
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