

July 1947.

The Monthly Meeting was held in the Parish Hall on the 16th July at 2.30 p.m. and in the absence of Miss Chamberlain Mr Paxman presided.

After the singing of Jerusalem Mr Paxman said she regretted the circumstances under which she took the chair and voiced the feelings of those present in wishing Mr David Chamberlain a good absence of Members recovery. The absence of Mr Allwright, ^{+ Miss Bird} was very much felt and the Secretary was requested to write to both of these ladies and send them the good wishes of the Institute.

A new Member, Mr Cartwright was welcomed & then the Minutes of the June Meeting were read and signed.

Names were taken of those Members wishing to go for the Trip to Kew Gardens on the 22nd July and also of those wishing to attend Rushwood classes (18).

Letters were read from Brightwell Baldwin Institute congratulating Person W. J. on their Group Meeting in March and from Miss de Motschenke Deneke regretting her inability to give her promised talk on Germany. The Monthly Letter was read.

The Secretary was authorised to send a cheque for £10 to the Missions for Seamen at Foweymouth to buy what they most required towards the entertainment side of the Mission. Mr H Aldridge explained that for the benefit of new ~~members~~

New Member.

Kew Gardens
Bush Walk.

Letter from
Brightwell's.

to Mrs Denke

Missions to
Seamen.

Benson W. I had adopted a cubicle at the Mission during the War.

Mr W. Aldridge stated that Mr Badger would be smocking & holding a class for Smocking at Benson on Monday, 8th September - Hours 2-4 and 5-7. Cost 2/-.

The Entertainments Secretary then gave a detailed list of the proposed activities at the Fete on Bank Holiday & appealed for all the help possible - Some Members voted for another outing in August & the Secretary was requested to make enquiries & subsequent arrangements. It was agreed that the Potato Competition should take place in October. Mr Paxman stated Mr Brunner had become a "Good Neighbour".

Miss Johnston, a coloured student from Trinidad, then gave a very ^{enjoyable} interesting talk on the West Indies, which was full of interest to the Meeting who heartily endorsed Mr C Douglas's vote of thanks. This was followed by a highly successful "20 Questions" 20 Questions & Mr Brunner & Questioners are to be congratulated on this Social Half-Hour.

Mr Lane & her fellow Tea Hostesses - Mr Horsfield, Mr Keene, Miss Cooper & Mr Stubbs, then served tea & Salad to 44 appreciative Members - There were 8 entries for competition the Salad competitions kindly judged by Mr Atkinson (White Hart); the winners being 1. Mr Paxman, 2. Mr Talbot, 3. Mr C Douglas. The Library took 7/- & the Trading Stall 12/-.

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