

May, 1949.

Apology

Minutes
Monthly Letter

Plaque on
Seats

Berrick C.C

Handicraft
Exhibition

General
Meeting
New Members.

The Monthly Meeting was held in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, 11th May, at 2.30 pm Miss Chamberlain presiding. An apology for absence was received from Mrs Currell. As there was no Committee Meeting in April the Minutes for the March Meeting were taken as read. The Monthly Letter was read and discussed and a letter from the Parish Council was also read, accepting the two seats on behalf of the Parish. It was recommended by the Committee that Mr. H. Aldridge be asked to affix a plaque on the seats by Whit-Monday, of metal if possible, with the inscription "Presented by Benson Women's Institute 1949". The Treasurer said she had sent a cheque for £1-1/- to the Berrick Cricket Club, but had received no acknowledgment to date. The Handicraft Secretary reported that although Benson had not won the Cup at the recent Handicraft Exhibition in Oxford, they had done remarkably well, winning 12 first class awards, 14 seconds and 10 thirds.

Arrangements were made for the General Meeting and two new Members were elected: - Mrs J. Brewitt, (1) Mrs P. Chamberlain (2) Mrs Syde.

Mrs Thatcher (1) Mrs P. Shotton (2) Mrs Kyd.

Teas.

It was unanimously agreed that the Teas at Monthly Meetings should henceforth be provided by the Tea Hostesses instead of being purchased from the Cafe.

The following business was dealt with:-

- Dust Bins (1) Mrs Kyd suggested that an application might be made for the Refuse Collectors to fetch dust bins from houses and it was decided to refer this matter at the next O.F.W.I. ½ yearly Meeting.
- Outing (2) Members should be asked to vote for an Outing at the next Meeting:- (1) Stratford-on-Avon (2) Southsea (3) Brighton. The date suggested being June 21st.
- Churchyard Seat (3) The Seat in the Churchyard to be offered to the Vicar for benefit of the Parish.
- Gift Parcel (4) A gift parcel received from Australia should be drawn for at the next Meeting.
- Fete (5) Fete Mrs H. Aldridge was asked to advise Mrs Shotton to proceed with arrangements for the Flower Show. £20 to be allowed for prize money. Entries to be 3^d each - Mrs C. Douglas and Miss Hutchings were chosen to serve on the Committee with him in respect of Handicraft and Household entries & it was agreed to ask Messrs Winfield & Laker of Swelme to act as

judges ~~on the~~ at the Show. The Committee
Mrs. Talbot. very much regretted hearing from Mrs. Talbot
that the Doctor had ordered her lie up for
10 days.

Doris B. Chamberlain

June 7th 1949.