

The Monthly Meeting was held at The Red House on the 8<sup>th</sup> November. Miss Chamberlain was in the Chair. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Talbot & Mrs. Currell.

**Apologies**

**Minutes** The Minutes of the last Meeting were read, approved and signed. This was followed by the

**Monthly Letter** Monthly Letter, in connection with which it was decided to choose a Talk & Demonstration on

**Group Meeting** Flower Arrangement as a subject for the Spring Group Meeting.

**Treasurer** The Treasurer gave an Annual Financial Report showing a balance of £127: - 1½. It was

**Allocations** decided to allocate £30 for prizes at the next Horticultural Show, approx. £15 for payment of the seats, £5 for the Churchyard and approx. £30 for Christmas Parties.

**Annual Report** The Annual Report was read by the Secretary & approved, followed by the

**President** President's speech. Arrangements were made for the Annual Meeting & it was

**Competitions** agreed to give four prizes to the winners of the Monthly Competitions, who were:-

Class 1. 1. Mrs. Manley 2. Mrs. Harkness  
Class 2. 1. Miss Inkler 2. Miss J. Champion

Three new Members were elected:-

New Member Mr. Young Pro. Mr. G. Palmer 2 Miss Chamberlain  
 Mrs Smith Pro Mr. A. Aldridge 2 Miss Champion  
 Mrs Scofield Pro Mr. D. Bennett 2 Mrs C. Douglas

Other items were:-

- Horticultural 1. A letter ~~for~~ was read from Mr. Arnold Shotton asking for an early meeting in connection with the 1950 Horticultural Show.
- Potatoes 2. A letter was read from the Matrons of Wallingford Hospital thanking the Institute for potatoes.
- V.C.D. 3. A letter from Mrs Carter was read regretting her inability to attend the Annual Meeting. Mrs Burch would deputize for her.
- School Mgrs 4. A letter from the School Managers asking for the Institute's views on a proposed Parent-Teachers Association.
- Churchyard 5. A letter from the Parochial Church Council accepting a wooden seat in the Churchyard.
- President 6. A letter from Lady Brooke-Popham resigning her position as President & also her membership of the W.I. was read. The Secretary was asked to write & thank her for her past services & regret her severance with the Movement.
- O.F.W.I. resignation  
 Outings 7. The Outings Secretary was asked to make enquiries about outings to the Pantomime at Oxford and Circus at Olympia.

Teacloths

8. It was decided to purchase 12 Teacloths @ 3/1 ea.

Library

9. It was proposed to purchase new Library Books + to join a Book Club.

Carols

10. It was agreed to provide light refreshments at the Carol Concert on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>.

11. It was estimated that the following money should be ear-marked: - £30 for Horticultural Show, £15 for Seats, £5 Churchyard, £30 for Parties.

Doris H. Chamberlain

Dec: 6<sup>th</sup> 1949