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Committee Meeting Nov 21st 1933

After the Annual Meeting on Nov 21st a short comm. meeting was held. Mrs Marriott who had been re-elected President was in the chair. The foll: members were present Mrs H Edwards, Mrs Huth, Mrs Goodhart, Mrs Watson, Mrs Hall, Miss B Carter, Miss Butmore, Miss M Lovelock and Miss H Buckeridge.

Mrs Burdekin, Mrs Huth & Mrs Goodhart were elected Vice Presidents. Mrs H. Edwards Treasurer and Miss H Buckeridge Secretary.

Miss Lovelock, Mrs Hall & Mrs Turner all agreed to continue on the Tea Committee. Miss B Carter, Miss M Lovelock & Miss Pearce to take charge of the Stall. Miss Buckeridge & Mrs Watson the Competitions & Nurse Jordan the Magazines. Mrs Ward, Mrs Schandler & Miss Butmore on the Welcome Committee & Mrs Lawrence the Press.

It was decided to co-opt Mrs R. Annetts & Miss M Lawrence on the Committee & to ask Miss Lawrence if she were willing to continue with her table at the door.

The Committee decided to buy the 8 copies of the
Twice 44 Sociable Song Books which Mrs Watson
had left over, for the use of the Institute.

The next half years Programme was then discussed
& a rough copy passed round; it was decided
to leave it to the President and Secretary to
complete same.

H Buckeridge Hon. Sec.

Margaret P. Harcourt

Committee Meeting January 9th 1934

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Jan 9th. Mrs Marriott was in the chair & the foll: members were present - Mrs H. Edwards, Mrs Ward, Mrs Watson, Miss Cutmore, Mrs Hall, Mrs R. Annetts, Miss Carter, Miss K. Lovelock, Miss M. Lovelock, Miss G. Lawrence & the Secretary.

The minutes were read and signed & the County Letter read and discussed.

Letters were also read from Mr Sill, Miss Haltham and the Group Secretary

Mrs Marriott next read several extracts from letters of Demonstrators regarding the Miming Demonstration in March. It was decided to ask Mrs Newman to come, as she will be taking the Mime School at Newbury.

Lady Jervoise had written to ask if the Institute would organise a Whitt Drive, the proceeds for the funds of Working Party for the Personal Service League. Miss Lawrence stated that Mrs Lawrence had already promised to organise one, so the Committee decided

that under the circumstances it was not desirable to do so.

Two new members Mrs Dawes & Mrs Polden were elected.

Arrangements were then made for the Monthly Meeting. - Mrs Watson promised to take charge of the Roll Call and Mrs Ward offered to collect the boots & shoes for the P.S.L. & take them to Lady Jervoise after the meeting.

Mrs Watson suggested that we sat round the small tables for tea at the Monthly Meetings, owing to our limited space the Committee thought it best to ^{reconsider} carry on as usual.

Mrs Watson next suggested that the Institute ^{enter} assist the Hall Committee to raise funds for the needed im-
-provements by a series of entertainments etc. throughout the year. After discussion it was decided to leave it open until the next Committee Meeting

Mrs Marriott proposed that seed potatoes were bought & members asked to grow some for hospital. It was decided to put it to the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee decided to entertain the children to tea after their Play in Feb.

Seven members had given in their names for
the Feather Club at Hungerford on Wed: Jan 17th

H. Buckeridge Hon. Sec.

Margaret P. Marshall.

Committee Meeting

February 13th 1934

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Feb 13th. Mrs Marriott was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Huth Mrs Watson Mrs Burdakin Mrs Hard, Miss Barber Miss Bulmore Mrs Hall Miss K & M Lovelock Mrs R. Annetts. Two members of the tea Committee Miss E Lovelock & Mrs Turner had also been invited to attend.

The minutes were read and signed & the County letter read & discussed.

It was decided that Miss Waltham's classes should be held on March 7th 13th & 27th.

A letter from Miss Little secretary of the Hungerford Ins. was read, inviting any of our members to attend the Rural Domestic Economy lectures in March if they cared to do so.

The Treasurers quarterly statement of accounts was then passed round & also the Presidents statement on W. I. accounts.

Five new members Mrs Compton, Miss Duncan Mrs Maurice, Miss Pope & Miss Williams were elected.

Mrs Marriott announced that Mrs French was coming as our County Visitor & would take charge of the Group Conference & also give a talk on Switzerland or Cyprus. The Committee decided in favour of Cyprus.

Arrangements were next made for the March Meeting as it was decided not to have a Committee Meeting in March.

The Committee decided to have some tickets printed, suitable to use for various entertainments.

The suggestions Mrs Watson made as regards the 'Sea Tables' & improvements to the Hall, which were left open at the January Committee meeting, were again discussed. It was finally decided to try the small tables on special occasions but to carry on as usual otherwise. As regards the Hall a majority were in favour of the proposal providing that the funds raised were used for some definite improvement to the Hall. Mrs Watson consented to form a sub committee to run the proposed entertainments etc throughout the year.

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.

Margaret P. Marriott

Committee Meeting

April 10th 1934

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday, April 10th. Mrs Marriott was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Bundekin, Mrs Goodhart, Miss Carter, Miss Butmore, Mrs Hall, Miss K Lovelock, Mrs Ward, Miss H Lawrence & the Secretary.

The minutes & the County Letter were read.

It was decided to form an Institute choir providing there were not less than 12 members willing to join.

Some of the members wished to continue with the Embroidery Classes so it was decided to have 3 more in May.

Arrangements were next made for the Monthly Meeting.

The Secretary was instructed to write & ask Miss Osborne if she would be willing to act as secretary for the Handicraft^{section} for the Exhibition at Newbury in October. Mrs Goodhart promised to act as Secretary for the Produce.

The summer outing was next discussed & the

secretary was instructed to write to the Newbury & District for the price of fares to "Stratford-on-Avon & Leamington".

The programme for the second half of the year was next discussed. Mrs Marriott hoped to have the programme settled before going away in May, for several weeks. Mrs Burdakin & Mrs Goodhart were asked ^{by Mrs Marriott} to take the chair at the May & June meetings.

Kilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.

Margaret P. Marriott

Committee Meeting

May 8th 1934

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday May 8th Mrs Marriott was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Burdekin, Mrs Goodhart, Mrs Bluth, Mrs Edwards, Miss Carter, Miss Butmore, Mrs Hall, Miss H. Lovelock, Miss M. Lovelock, Mrs Watson, Mrs Annetts, Miss M. Lawrence & the Secretary

The Minutes were read & signed & the County Letter read & discussed. Mrs Goodhart consenting to be our Produce Correspondent.

Mrs Watson next gave a few details of the result of the concert in aid of Hall improvements. £9.0.9 was the sum raised & a Roll call of the Committee for suggestions for improvements was then taken by the President

One new member Mrs Percy Rolfe was elected

Arrangements were made for the monthly meeting & the President stated that Mrs Watson had invited the Institute to hold the June Meeting in her garden weather permitting.

The programme prog for the next six months was passed round & completed.

The Institute Stall at the Flower Show was also discussed. Seven members voting against, one for & the other six did not vote. It was decided to put it to the members at the Monthly Meeting

It was decided to pay the Visitors train fare to London for the N. S. W. I. Annual Meeting.

Hilda Buckeridge
Hon. Sec.

Margaret P. Marriott

Committee Meeting

September 11th 1934

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Sept-11th. Mrs Marriott was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Burdekin, Mrs Goodhart, Mrs Huth, Mrs Annetts, Mrs Hard, Mrs Watson, Miss Carter, Miss Butmore, Miss Lawrence & the Secretary.

The minutes were read & signed & the County Letter read & discussed.

A letter was then read from Mrs Marriott, saying that having been President for 5 years that she thought it would be a good thing to have a new President, & wished to retire at the end of the year. The Committee sincerely hoped that Mrs Marriott would reconsider her decision. ^{But after talking matters over,} The President wished the letter to stand. A letter was also read from Borwick & Sons offering to show a film on April 30th 1935 which has been accepted.

Miss Hope sent a card to remind us of the Classes open to Womens Institutes only, at the Dairy Show in October. We have entered for the two co-operative exhibits.

It was decided to price the co-operative rug at £4.10.0 at the Newbury Exhibition, and that it should also be on show at the Institute on Members Day.

It was also decided that if a member died a bunch of Rosemary tied with the Institute colours should be sent instead of flowers.

H. Buckeridge

Hon. Sec.

Madys & Post

Oct 9 1934

Committee Meeting

Oct 9th 1934

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Oct 9th. The President being away from home, Mrs Huth kindly took the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Goodhart Mrs Watson Mrs Edwards Mrs Annetts Mrs Hall Mrs Ward Miss Cutmore & the Secretary

The Minutes were read & signed & the County Letter read & discussed. Arising out of the minutes was the nomination of new President & the Secretary was instructed to write to the President, that the Committee failed to find anyone to stand as President for 1935 & to beg Mrs Marriott to stay on for six months longer. When it is hoped one of the Committee will take it on.

A letter was read from the Education Committee granting our application for Dressmaking Classes.

One new member Mrs Brown was elected.

Two offers for "Money making spots for our H. I." were both accepted by the Committee namely - Mrs Lawrence to run a jumble Sale & Mrs Harris & Mrs Turner a Wheel Drive.

Miss Cutmore is very kindly making our 5th Birthday Cake.

H. Buckridge
Hon. Sec.

Margaret P. Marriott /

Committee Meeting

Nov 13th 1934

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Nov 13th
Mrs Marriott was in the chair & the following members were
present - Mrs Huth, Mrs Burdakin Mrs W Edwards,
Miss Carter, Miss Cutmore, Mrs Hall, Miss S Lovelock
Mrs Watson Miss G Lawrence & the Secretary

The minutes were read & signed & the County Letter
read. Arising out of the minutes, it was decided that
as the Jumble Sale was such a success (raising over £11)
not to have the Whist Drive under the circumstances.

Letters were also read from The Savernake & Newbury
Hospitals thanking members for the potatoes, which were grown
Newbury Hospital 2 1/2 cwt & Savernake Hospital 2 cwt ^{from 6 seed potatoes}
^{by over 20} members.
Borwick & Sons sent 77 Cookery Books for distribution to our
members & hoped that we would arrange a Cake Making
Competition in the New Year.

Miss Poolner & Mrs Clementi Smith were elected
members of our Institute.

The Secretary's Report was next read & the Treasurer's
statement of accounts passed round.

Mrs Marriott announced that Mrs Lawrence (Hungerford) would ^{rep.} judge the "Crab Apple Jelly" & Mrs Ruth promised to try & bring someone to assist her at Mrs Lawrence promised to arrange the Dancing Programme & all the members were asked to collect as large a variety as possible for the "Show" at the Annual Meeting.

It was decided to Raffle the Community Rug. The tickets to be 6^d each & if a member of the Institute owned the No. drawn. To pay 1/- & if an outsider 2/6. Three or more tickets to be drawn & should the first person not take advantage, the second^{to} have the next offer & so on. Miss Leutmore to have charge of the tickets in the first place & Miss Lovelock be asked next, as they look charge of the two sections of the rug. It is hoped to sell 140 tickets for the minimum.

The Programme for the first half of 1935 was then discussed. A copy of Demonstrations arranged being passed round & suggestions asked for.

Hilda Buckridge

Sec. Sec.

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Committee Meeting

Nov 20th 1934

After the Annual Meeting a short Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday November 20th.

Mrs Goodhart who had been elected President was in the chair & the following members were present. Mrs H. Edwards. Mrs Budekin Mrs Watson Mrs Hall. Miss H. Lawrence. Mrs Francis. Miss Pearce & Miss H. Buckeridge.

Miss H. Buckeridge & Mrs H. Edwards were re-elected Secretary & Treasurer respectively.

Mrs Budekin Mrs Druce & Mrs Watson Vice Presidents

Sea Committee - Mrs Hall Mrs P. Rolfe & Mrs Turner

Entertainments - Miss H. Lawrence & Mrs Druce

Welcome - Mrs Francis & Mrs Padel

Stall - Mrs Mallow

Magazines - Miss Jordan

Competitions - Miss Buckeridge & Mrs Watson

Quers - Mrs Lawrence

Produce Correspondent - Miss Pearce

Doorkeeper - Mrs Silley

It was also decided to co-opt Mrs Mann & Mrs Silley on the Committee

The next half years Programme was then discussed a rough copy of Demonstrators etc already booked was passed round & the details completed. It was decided to ask for our County Visitor next July.

Hilda Buckeridge

Hon. Sec.

H. Goodhart

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Committee Meeting

December 4th 1934

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Dec 4th
Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & every member of the
Committee ^{except one} was present namely — Mrs Burdick Miss Cutmore
Mrs Duce Mrs H Edwards Mrs Hall Mrs Letteringham
Miss H Lawrence Miss L Lovelock Miss Pearce Mrs Watson
Mrs Mann Mrs Tilley & the Secretary

The minutes of the last two Committee Meetings were read
& signed & the County Letter read. Mrs Mann promising to
go as our Delegate to the County Annual Meeting at Reading
Mrs Goodhart asked the Committee if they would like to send a
Resolution to the Annual Meeting re "Pooling of Pores" & it was
decided to put it to the Monthly Meeting.

One New Member Miss Plummer was elected.

the Committee
Arrangements were made for the Monthly Meeting & it was
also decided not to open the Stall until the Demonstrations
were over in future; ^{provided the members agreed to same.} Mrs Goodhart proposed that a clock
35/- be bought & that a Trading Scheme paid for same.
To which the Committee agreed. It was also decided to give
Mr Haile 2/6 for bringing the water for the Monthly Meetings
during part of the year. Hilda Burdick Hon. Sec.

Honor Goodhart
8.1.35.

Committee Meeting

Jan 8th 1935

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday January 8th Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Burdekin, Mrs Watson, Mrs Edwards, Miss Cutmore, Mrs Duce, Mrs Francis, Mrs Letteringham, Miss Lawrence, Miss Pearce, Mrs Mann, Mrs Lilley and the Secretary.

The minutes were read & signed & the County Letter read & discussed. Mrs Edwards very kindly consenting to be ^{local} Secretary for the County Handicrafts Ex. May 3 & 4 at Reading.

Three new members Mrs Hight Miss Moore & Miss Stewart were elected.

Arrangements were next made for the Monthly Meeting.

Mrs Goodhart proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Social Committee namely Mrs Duce Mrs Lilley Mrs Huntley & Mrs Jackson for the excellent Social on January 3rd. Mrs Duce passed round a balance sheet showing a profit of 1/4th.

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.
Honor Goodhart
22.1.35.

Committee Meeting

January 22nd 1935

An emergency Committee Meeting was held at Hindrush on Tuesday January 22nd at 11 A.M. to ~~nominates~~ ^{elect} our two representatives for the Group Committee. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Watson, Mrs Druce, Mrs Edwards, Miss Butmore, Mrs Hall, Miss Pearce, Mrs Ketteringham, Miss Lawrence, Miss K. Lovelock, Mrs Mann, Mrs Lilling & the Secretary

The minutes were read & signed & the correspondence read. This included an invitation to the Choir to compete in the Singing Competition at the Handicrafts Exhibition on May 3rd, having qualified at Hungerford with 83% marks to do so. It was decided to accept the invitation & also to enter for the Newbury Musical Festival also provided a Conductor were found. In the event of the Choir going to Reading it was decided that the members paid 2/6 towards expenses if the Institute Members in general agreed to same.

The Treasurer next presented her quarterly statement

One new member Miss Clement's Smith was elected, & arrangements made for the February meeting

Mrs Ketteringham & Mrs Ward were elected as our representatives for the Group Committee for 1935.

Committee Meeting

March 12th 1935

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday March 12th. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Burdakin, Mrs Druce, Mrs Watson, Mrs Edwards, Miss Bulmore, Mrs Hall, Mrs Ketteringham, Miss K Lovelock, Miss Pearce, Mrs Mann, Mrs Pilley & the Secretary.

The minutes were read & signed the County & N. S. W. I letters read & discussed & the other correspondence dealt with.

Mrs Burdakin proposed & Mrs Druce seconded a proposal that £1.0.0 allotted by the Group Committee to each Institute be given to the Institute Choir towards expenses. It was decided to put it to the vote at the Monthly Meeting.

A ruling regarding Competitions was asked to be given at the February Meeting & all the members of the Committee present agreed that the Competitions were open to all members of the Institute even if they were a member of another Institute as well.

Mrs Hall & Mrs Watson promised to make the necessary

arrangements for the Group Tea on April 30th at Hungerford.

The programme for the second half of the year was then discussed & provisionally decided upon.

Hilda Buckridge

Hon. Sec.

Mrs Goodhart
5-IV-35

Committee Meeting

Friday April 5th 1935

A Committee Meeting was held on Friday April 5th owing to Tuesday April 9th being the ^{date of} Newbury Musical Festival & very few members were able to attend. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present Mrs Hall, Miss H. Lawrence, Mrs Mann & the Secretary.

The minutes were read & signed & the County Letter read & discussed

Mrs Woodham was re-elected a member of the Institute

Arrangements were made for the Monthly Meeting & the Programme for the second half of year.

Hilda Buckeridge

Hon. Sec.

Hon. Goodhart

11. VI. 35

Committee Meeting.

June 11th 1935

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday June 11th
Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members
were present - Mrs Watson Mrs Druce Miss Cutmore
Mrs Hall Miss K Lovelock Miss Pearce & the Secretary.

The minutes were read & signed & the county letter &
other Correspondence dealt with.

It was decided to co-opt Mrs Jackman on the Committee &
as no member of the Committee present was willing to take
Mrs Bundekins place as one of the Vice Presidents, it was
decided to carry on to the end of the year with two
Vice-Presidents instead of three.

Two new members Miss Keoman & Mrs Henderson
were elected

Arrangements were made for the Monthly Meeting & it
was decided to ask the members to hand in suggestions
at the June & July Meetings for next years programme.

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.

Honor Goodhart

J. X. 35

Committee Meeting

October 9th 1935

A Committee Meeting was held on Wednesday Oct 9th. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs W. Edwards Miss Lovelock & Mrs Mann. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present: Mrs Druce Mrs Watson Mrs Hall Miss Bulmore Miss Lawrence Mrs Lilley & the Secretary

The minutes were read & signed. The County Letter & other Correspondence discussed. Mrs Druce and Miss Lawrence offered to take charge of the Stalls at the Group Meeting & it was decided to ask Mrs Lawrence & Miss Lovelock to be responsible for the 2 Competition Trays Co-operative Supper Trays for the Group Competition.

Two new members Mrs J Rolfe & Miss M. Moore were elected. Arrangements were then made for the next meeting

The programme for 1936 was next discussed & it was practically decided to print one programme only next year, as several months in the latter half were already booked.

Hilda Buckeridge Hon. Sec.
Honor Goodhart
12. XI. 35

Committee Meeting

November 12th 1935

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday November 12th.
Apologies for absence was sent by Mrs Jackman.
Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members
were present - Mrs Watson, Mrs Druce - Mrs W. Edwards -
Miss Cutmore - Mrs Hall - Mrs Ketteringham - Mrs Mann -
Miss & Lawrence, Miss H. Lovelock, Miss Pearce -
Mrs Tilley and the Secretary.

The minutes were read & signed the County Letter &
other correspondence discussed. The Treasurer
then read her financial report

Arrangements for Monthly Meeting were the next item.
The Committee decided to award 2 dessert & 2 tea -
spoons in addition to Bowick's 2 prizes providing the
30 entries were sent in as promised by members.
For the Debate Miss Lawrence promised to take the
"Against" side & the Secretary was instructed to write &
ask Mrs Chandler to take the "For" side. The subject
to be "Knitting at Meetings"

Mrs Druce was asked to form a Committee for the New
year Social so that details could be given out at December
meeting.

The 6th Trading Scheme to pay for the block had been called in & proved successful.

The type of Programme for 1936 was next discussed & the majority were in favour of the Calendar Type & the secretary was instructed to write to "Smart & Co" and ask for an estimate. Further details were also added to next year's Programme.

The Hall Committee wished to know if the Institute would be willing to pay a flat rate of 6/- per month for the eleven months each year instead of the 4/6 for Monthly Meetings & 1/- for Committee; as the finances of the Hall were ~~not~~ on the debit side. The Committee agreed to pay 6/- as requested next year.

It was also decided to present a prize to the member who entered for the most competitions during the next year. The year to start November 1935 to October 1936 inclusive. Mr Hamill said she would give the prize.

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.

Hon. Sec.

11.11.36

Committee Meeting

Tuesday Nov 19th 1935

After the Annual Meeting the new committee held a short meeting. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & all the members were present - Mrs B Carter - Mrs Butmore
Mrs Druce - Mrs H. Edwards - Mrs Hall - Miss H. Lawrence
Miss E Lovelock - Miss K. Lovelock - Mrs Padel - Mrs P Rolfe -
Mrs Watson & Miss D Buckeridge

Mrs Watson - Mrs Padel & Mrs Druce were elected
Vice-Presidents

Mrs H Edwards & Miss D Buckeridge were re-elected
Treasurer & Secretary

Mrs Hall - Miss E Lovelock & Miss K Lovelock - Sea Committee

Miss B Carter & Mrs P Rolfe Stall

Miss Buckeridge & Mrs Watson - Competitions

Mrs Druce Social ½ hour

Mrs Padel & Miss H. Lawrence Welcome

Miss Jordan - Magazines

Mrs Lawrence - Press

Miss H. Lawrence - Produce Correspondent

Mrs Lilley - Doorkeeper

As neither Ham nor West Woodhay were represented on the 1936 Committee, it was decided to ask Mrs Mann to

represent the West Woodhay members & also if one of the Ham members were willing to do the same for Ham, at the Committee Meetings.

Hilda Buckeridge

Hon. Sec.

Henry Goodhart

11-11-35

Committee Meeting

February 11th 1936

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Morning Feb 11th. Apologies for absence were sent by Miss Cutmore & Mrs H. Edwards & the icy condition of the roads was probably the reason why several other members were not present. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members - Mrs Watson, Mrs Padel, Mrs Druce, Miss Carter, Mrs Rolfe, Miss H. Lawrence & the Secretary

The minutes of the last two meetings were read and signed & the correspondence discussed. Owing to the death of His late Majesty King George V. the January meeting was cancelled & Mrs Goodhart said that Miss Hope would give her Demonstration on Nov 9th as an extra meeting in November if desired. The committee decided in favor of the extra meeting in November. It was also decided to invite Shalbourne members to this meeting in November & the Tunbury members to the April Meeting.

The Committee agreed to the 10/- sent towards travelling expenses to group meeting ^{last October} being held over to the next group meeting in April.

One new member Mrs Morley Rolfe was elected & the

Treasurer's quarterly statement was read by the President. Mrs Druce reported a small deficit ^{4/6} on the January Social for various reasons, which was very kindly made up by Mrs Goodhart, Mrs Watson & Mrs Padel.

The Group Meeting Competition April 24th "Best made article from 1 yd of cretonne" total cost not to exceed 1/6, 3 entries from Institute, it was decided to have this as an extra Comp. in April & send on the 3 best exhibits.

Hilda Buckridge

Plm. Sec.

Hannah Goodhart

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Committee Meeting

March 10th 1936

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday March 10th.
Apology for absence was sent by Miss R Lovelock.
Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members
were present - Mrs Watson Mrs Duro Mrs H. Edwards
Miss H Lawrence Miss R Lovelock Miss Carter Mrs Hall
& the Secretary

The minutes were read & signed. The County & National
letters dealt with.

Owing to ill health Mrs Welch cancelled her Demonstration
for April. It was decided to try & get Miss Fletcher in her
place

One new member Mrs Arthur May was elected.

Arrangements were then made for the Monthly Meeting
The Secretary being instructed to write & ask Miss Chaplin
to judge the "Marmalade". Several suggestions were
also made regarding the Social 1/2 hour.

Mrs Goodhart next read a letter regarding the Market
Institute Stall at Newbury which has been closed,
for the time being.

The Committee voted that 2/6 be given to Mr Haile
as an acknowledgment for bringing the water for our
meetings during 1935

(V.P.) .. D. Watson.
Hilda Buckeridge Hon. Sec.

Committee Meeting

April 14th 1936

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday April 14th
Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Goodhart
Mrs Edwards & Miss E Lovelock - Mrs Watson was
in the chair & the following members were present
Mrs Druce Mrs Padel Miss Carter Mrs Hall
Miss E. Lovelock, Mrs Rolfe, Mrs Mann & the Secretary.

The minutes were read & signed & the County
Letter read.

One new member Miss V Newman was elected

Arrangements were next made for the Monthly Meeting

Mrs Goodhart sent a suggestion that something
might be done regarding members who were ill & it
was decided to ask the members if they agreed
to the suggestion to let one of the committee
know, if they knew of any member being ill, when
one of the committee would either write or call.

The proposal for a link with a Colonial H. I. also
met with general favor, & also a collection of flowers
& eggs for the Infirmary.

Members were to be asked to bring ideas for the
outing to the May Meeting.

Hilda Buckeridge
Hon. Sec.
Mrs Goodhart
12-V-36

Committee Meeting.

May 12th 1936

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday May 12th.
Apologies for absence was sent by Mrs Watson.
Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members
were present - Mrs Druce Mrs Padel Mrs Edwards
Miss B Carter, Miss Culmore - Mrs Hall - Miss H Lawrence
Miss K Lovelock - Mrs P Rolfe - Mrs Mann & the Secretary

The minutes were read & signed & included in the
various correspondence was a letter from the Newbury
& District Hospital asking the Institute to make a
special effort to raise a small sum towards the
jubilee extension appeal. The committee decided in
favour of running a Whist Drive & Social later on
in the year. Mrs Druce kindly consented to organize
same with the help of all the Committee.

The Treasurer read her quarterly statement of accounts.

One new member Mrs Wilfrid Rolfe was elected

Arrangements were next made for the monthly meeting &
various places suggested for the annual outing which
was to be decided at the monthly meeting.

Mrs Goodhart also announced that she had written to
Miss Lynbee regarding the link with a Colonial W.I.

Hilda Buckeridge, Hon. Sec.
Honor Goodhart
9. VI. 36

Committee Meeting

June 9th 1936

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday June 9th. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Druce Mrs Padel Mrs Watson Mrs Edwards Miss B. Carter Miss Bulmore Mrs Hall Miss J. Lawrence Miss K. Lovelock Mrs P. Rolfe & the Secretary

The minutes were read & signed. County Letter & other correspondence read.

Arrangements were then made for the Monthly Meeting. It was also decided to ask the Stam members if they would like to run Members Day in July.

The date June 17th chosen for the outing to Windsor proved inconvenient to many members, & only having given in their names, it was decided to postpone same unless sufficient names were given in by Tuesday 16th inst.

The Competition for Members of N.S. by the National Baby Week Council did not arrive in time for the Institute in general but Mrs Goodhart asked the members of the Committee if they would care to enter & one or two promised to think it over.

A few details were sent by Mrs Heale regarding the Group Exhibition at Elost Park on Sept 19th. Mrs Watson also sent a statement regarding the Group Meeting to be held at Kintbury in October.

Hilda Buckridge Hon Sec.

H. Goodhart

8. IX. 36

Committee Meeting

September 8th 1936

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday September 8th. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs W Edwards Mrs Watson & Miss E Lovelock. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present, Mrs Druce Mrs Padel Mrs Hall Miss P Rolfe Miss Carter Miss Culmore Miss H Lawrence Miss R Lovelock & Secretary.

The minutes were read & signed & the correspondence dealt with. It was decided to ask the members at the monthly meeting if they wished to avail themselves of Lipwell & Sons offer for National Mark Flour direct. Miss Druce very kindly consented to be ^{our} local Secretary for the Reading Produce Ex. on Oct 3rd. It was also proposed that the Institute entered for 2 co-operative exhibits provided Miss Lovelock & Miss Culmore be willing to take charge of the exhibits.

The group exhibition at Blot Park on Sept 19th was next discussed. Miss H. Lawrence offered to take charge of the Index Stall & Mrs Goodhart proposed that it be left to Miss Lawrence to arrange all details regarding helpers etc, to arrange the stall for competition.

It was decided to run The Whist Drive in aid of the jubilee extension Fund of Newbury Hospital on October 22nd.

The committee voted that a "Bread Board" be ordered as a Wedding Present for Mrs Smith nee Miss Plummer.

The Secretary stated that 22 members had accepted the invitation for Wed 9th to attend Linbury meeting.

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.
Hon. Goodhart
13.5.36.

Committee Meeting

Oct 13th 1936

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Oct 13th. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Watson - Mrs Druce, Mrs Edwards Miss B. Carter Miss Culmore - Mrs Hall - Miss H. Lawrence Miss K. Lovelock - Mrs Polye - Mrs Mann & the Secretary.

The minutes were read & signed. The County letter & other correspondence dealt with. It was decided to ask for Mrs May as our County Visitor next year, giving her the option of the first four months. Talk to be "Spring Cleaning".

Arrangements were next made for the Monthly Meeting & then ^{owing to an engagement} Mrs Goodhart asked Mrs Watson to take the chair & conclude the business.

The Group Meeting at Rimbury on Oct 25th was the next item on the Agenda & various suggestions for the next years programme were discussed.

Miss K. Lovelock very kindly consented to make the Institute Birthday Cake.

The Committee voted that Miss H. Lawrence be paid

6/- expenses for the collecting of goods etc for the
"Chick" Stall.

The Committee decided in favor of asking the B. B. Co
for 3 doz each of their pamphlets, respecting principal Talks
& music programmes to be broadcast during Winter &
Spring; which they need to supply stocks being available.

The Whist Drive & Social for the Newbury Hospital had
to be postponed; it was decided to run same on Friday
November 18th.

Miss Buckenidge

Hon. Sec.

Hon. Goodhart

10. XI. 36.

Committee Meeting

Nov 10th 1936

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Morning at 11 o'clock in the Village Hall on November 10th. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Padel - Mrs Watson - Mrs Druce - Mrs W. Edwards - Mrs Hall - Mrs P. Rolfe - Miss Carter - Miss E Lovelock - Miss L Lovelock - Miss Cutmore - Mrs Mann & the Secretary

The Minutes were read & signed. The Bounty Letter reminded us that applications must be made for County Council Classes during November. It was decided to apply for Dressmaking & Fruit Preservation etc classes providing sufficient members wished to attend.

Mrs May cannot come as our County Visitor on a 3rd Tuesday so if possible our President promised to fix a convenient day for Mrs May, as we should very much like to have her this year for our County Visitor.

Arrangements were next made for the Annual Meeting. It was decided to ask Mrs Funnell & Mrs Roberts if they would kindly act as Sellers. Mrs Edwards read the Annual Financial Statement & the Secretary her Report. It was also decided to ask Mr Browne if he would kindly audit the accounts again this year.

Final arrangements were made for the Whist-Drive on 13th & it was also decided that the 1936 Committee run the New Year Social.

The Committee decided in favor of giving the "Old Folk" a tea party & proposed that another Whist-Drive be run to raise funds for same. One new member Miss Phyllis Barber was elected.

H. Buckeridge
Hon. Sec.

D Watson

Committee Meeting

Nov. 17th 1936

After the Annual Meeting on Nov 17th a short Committee Meeting was held. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present. Mrs W. Edwards Mrs Druce Mrs Hall Mrs Padel Mrs Watson Mrs P. Rolfe Miss B. Carter - Miss K. Lovelock - Miss Cutmore & Miss H. Buckeridge.

Mrs Edwards & Miss H. Buckeridge were re-elected Treasurer & Secretary.

Miss B. Carter & Mrs P. Rolfe agreed to continue with the Stall.

Miss E. Buckeridge & Mrs Padel the Competitions.

Social 1/2 Hour - Mrs Druce & Mrs Huntley.

Magazines - Miss Jordan

Welcome - Mrs Hall & Mrs Lilley

Attendance Register - Miss K. Lovelock

Press - Mrs Lawrence

At the suggestion of the 1936 Tea Committee it was decided to ask for a volunteer each month to take charge of the Tea & see how the new method answered.

It was also decided to co-opt Mrs Huntley on the Committee, two members tied for the 13th place & Mrs Huntley lost on the draw.

Three new members were elected Mrs Bew, Mrs Goble & Mrs C. Jenner

It was decided at the Annual Meeting to hold the Whist Drive for the "Old Folks Party" on Dec. 11th. Mrs Watson & Mrs Goodhart offered to give the prizes & several members of the Committee promised Refreshments.

Hilda Buckeridge
Hon. Sec.

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Committee Meeting

Dec: 15th 1936

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Dec 15th apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Goodhart and Miss Moore. Mrs Watson was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Padel Mrs Druce Mrs Mann Mrs Hall - Mrs P. Rolfe - Mrs Edwards - Miss B & R Lovelock Miss Cutmore Miss Barber Mrs Huntley & the Secretary.

The minutes of the last two meetings were read and signed & a letter from the Royal Berkshire Hospital Centenary Appeal Committee. The Committee decided in favor of running a scheme sometime during 1937 in aid of same.

The Vice-Presidents for 1937 were next elected the Committee wished the 1936 V. P.s to serve again, but Mrs Watson wished for another member to take her place. Mrs Padel proposed & Mrs Druce seconded that Mrs Mann be elected. So the three Vice Presidents for 1937 are Mrs Druce - Mrs Padel & Mrs Mann.

Arrangements were made for the Olden Folks Party on Jan 1st & the New Year Social on Jan 7th

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.

Hilda Goodhart
9.11.37

Committee Meeting

Feb 9th 1937

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday 9th at 11.30 a.m. Mrs Goodhart was in the Chair & the following members were present Mrs Druce Mrs Padel Mrs P Rolfe Mrs Huntley Miss Carter Miss Lovelock ~~Mrs~~ & the Secretary

The minutes were read & signed the County Letter & Correspondence dealt with. In the absence of the Treasurer Mrs Goodhart read the quarterly statement of accounts

One new member Miss Clifford was elected

Mrs Padel gave the details of the next Group Meeting which was to be held in April at Kentbury.

Mrs Goodhart next suggested that First Aid classes might be helpful. The Committee decided in favour & it was decided to ask the members at the meeting, if they would care for same if they could be arranged, & providing there were sufficient willing to join to make the classes successful.

It was also decided to ask the members if they would care to go to London & see the Coronation Decorations for their summer outing.

Hilda Goodhart
B.IV.37

Hilda Buckridge
Hon. Sec.

Committee Meeting

April 13th 1937

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday April 13th in the Village Hall at 2.30 p.m. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair - apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Padel & Miss Carter & the following members were present - Mrs Druce Mrs Mann Mrs Watson Mrs Stall Mrs Rolfe Mrs Edwards Miss Cutmore Miss Moore Miss Lovelock Mrs Huntley & the Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed. The County & N. S. letters discussed. Arrangements were made for the monthly meeting.

Mrs Goodhart stated that nothing definite had so far been fixed regarding the First Aid Classes.

Mrs Marriott had also very kindly offered to give a prize to the member entering for the most competitions during the year, who had not already won 4 spoons.

Hilda Buckridge
Hon. Sec.

Miriam U. F. Padel.

June 8. 37.

Committee Meeting

June 8th 1937

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday June 8th at 2.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. Mrs Padel was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Druce - Mrs Mann - Mrs Halson - Mrs Huntley - Mrs W Edwards - Miss Cutmore - Miss K Lovelock - Mrs P. Rolfe - Miss Moore & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed. County & other correspondence dealt with. The Committee were all in favor of accepting the "Ark" Food Products offer of Demonstrating on January 18th.

One new member Mrs J Turner was elected.

Arrangements were next made for the proposed Picnic meeting. Miss K Lovelock & Mrs Druce very kindly promised to be responsible for the Tea.

The Competition for July was next discussed & it was proposed that the prize be awarded to the most effective 2 lb jam jar containing 10 varieties only of wild flowers, number of blooms not to matter but 10 distinct varieties must be used & grasses optional.

Mrs Watson proposed that the Whist Drive in aid
of Reading Hospital to be held at Hindrush sometime
in July.

Hilda Buckeridge Hon. Sec.

Honor Goodhall

Committee Meeting

July 25th 1937

A Committee Meeting was held in the Village Hall on Tuesday July 13th at 2.30 p.m. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present. Mrs Padel, Mrs Druce, Mrs Watson, Mrs Edwards, Mrs Mann, Mrs Dunley, Miss K Lovelock, Miss York, Mrs Hall, Miss Culmore & the Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed. The County Letter & other correspondence attended to.

Arrangements were made for the meeting to be held at Mrs Goodhart's. Mrs Mann kindly offered to attend to the tea & Mrs Watson the treasure hunt.

One new member Miss Goodhart was elected.

The Stall at Bloot Park in September was next discussed. Mrs Watson very kindly offered to transport the goods & also to help dress the stall. Inkpen & Shalhorn sharing a stall in the tent. Mrs Goodhart & the Secretary also promised to help. Saturday not being a very convenient day

to many.

Mrs Padel also gave details regarding the Group Meeting to be held in October.

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec

Honor Goodhart

12. x 37.

Committee Meeting

October 12th 1937

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Oct 12th at 2.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Watson, Miss Moore & Miss K Lovelock. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Edwards, Mrs Padel - Mrs P. Rolfe - Mrs Huntley Mrs Mann - Mrs Druce - Mrs Hall - Miss Cutmore & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed. The County Letter discussed, regarding the County Council Classes it was decided to ask members if they would care to have a course of Horticulture classes.

Mrs Goodhart very kindly offered to hold a Whist Drive at New Mill in aid of Wallington House. Friday Oct 29th being the date suggested. Mrs Mann - Mrs Druce Mrs Huntley Mrs P. Rolfe & Miss Cutmore kindly offered to be responsible for the prizes.

Mrs Druce very kindly consented to make the Birthday Cake for November 16th

Two new members Miss E Dazel & Miss F Marsh were elected

After various details regarding the monthly meeting were settled, the 1938 Programme was discussed.

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.

Hon. Goodhart

9. 11. 37.

Committee Meeting

Nov: 9th 1937

A Meeting was held on Tuesday Nov 9th at 2.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. Apologies for absence were sent by Miss Moore. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Edwards Mrs Druce - Mrs Mann - Mrs Padel - Miss Carter Mrs P Rolfe - Mrs Watson - Mrs Hall - Miss Cutmore Miss K. Lovelock & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed. Nominations for County Fed. Officers & Executive & other correspondence dealt with.

The Treasurers & Secretary's Reports were read & various details regarding the November Meeting settled.

Mrs Druce, Miss K Lovelock & Mrs Hall consented to form a committee for the New Year Social.

The question of prizes for Competitions next year arose. It was decided to put it before the Annual Meeting, if they would rather carry on as usual or have marks awarded & prizes at the end of the year only for the highest marks.

Further details were gone into regarding the 1938 Programme.

Mrs Watson mentioned the Royalty on the Play. There was a difference of opinion, as to who was responsible for same. It was decided to run a Whist Drive or some other money making scheme to pay for same if necessary.

Honor Goodhart

11. 1. 37

November 16th 1937

A short Committee Meeting was held after the Annual Meeting. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present Mrs Edwards - Mrs Druce - Mrs Mann - Mrs Hall Miss Cutmore - Miss K Lovelock & Miss H. Buckridge. Mrs Edwards & Miss H. Buckridge were both re-elected Treasurer & Secretary

Mrs Padel - Mrs Mann & Mrs Druce Vice - President's
Miss K Lovelock - Attendance Registrar
Mrs Druce - Poem Correspondent
Miss Jordan - Magazines

Mrs Hall & Miss Cutmore Welcome

It was suggested that Mrs Carter & Miss Carter were asked to take charge of the Stall and Mrs P. Rolfe the Competitions.

As regards the Social $\frac{1}{2}$ hour it was decided to
divide the members into various groups & make
each group in turn responsible for the Social $\frac{1}{2}$ hour.
Mrs Hall - Miss K Lovelock & Miss Cutmore agreed that
their group be responsible for the December turn.
Hilda Buckeridge Hon. Sec. Honor Goodhart

11. 1. 38.

Committee Meeting

Jan 11th 1938

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Jan 11th at 2.30 p.m. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Druce - Mrs Mann - Mrs Padel - Mrs Edwards - Mrs Carter - Miss Cutmore - Mrs Hall - Miss K. Lovelock - Mrs May - Mrs Walter and the Secretary.

The minutes of the last two meetings were read and signed.

The County Letter including the Agenda for the Annual Council Meeting at Reading.

A letter of invitation from Woolton Hill Institute to our members for May 4th

Miss Wilson wrote that it was her first demonstration in our district & would we care to make it an open meeting. The Committee decided in favour of doing so.

Mrs W. Rolfe was re-elected a member.

Mrs Goodhart read a letter from our overseas link Mrs Sampson in Hopetoun Australia

The Committee are hoping to run a Whirl Dairies a little later on to provide funds for Institute China.

The Committee were in favour of charging 6^d for the course of Rural Domestic Economy classes

of 2^d for individual classes to cover the cost of expenses.

Hilda Buckridge H.M.S.

Mrs Goodhart

8.11.38

Committee Meeting

February 8th 1938

A Committee Meeting was held on Feb: 8th in the Village Hall. Apologies for absence were sent by Miss K. Lovelock. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Edwards
Mrs Padel - Mrs Mann - Mrs Druce - Mrs Carle
Mrs Hall - Mrs Huntley - Mrs Walter & the Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed. Arising out of the minutes - The invitation by Hoolton Hill, Mrs Goodhart thought it would be nice to ask some of their members to one of our meetings. The Committee were in favor of asking 20 members to attend our meeting on Oct 4th & it was also proposed to invite 20 members from Kintbury to attend the meeting on June 21st.

+ Miss Gilley

Three new members were elected Mrs Hussey & Mrs Lee & two members were re-elected Mrs Monaghan and Mrs Annetts.

The treasurer read her quarterly statement of accounts, and also a note from Home & Country.

Arrangements were made for the Monthly Meeting

The committee decided in favor of the March Needlework Competition being a hand made "Pillow Case."

Mrs Druce read her balance sheet of the New Year Social showing a balance of £1-0-2; & also of the Whist Drive & Social on Feb: 3rd when £2-2-2. was the balance towards the Institute crockery. The committee decided in favor of the balance from the Social being allotted to the crockery also.

Mrs Watson & Miss Lawrence were chosen as our Group Representatives for 1938. The Committee wished to nominate Mrs Goodhart as Group President for 1938.

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.

Nora & F Padel.
April 12 38.

Committee Meeting

April 12th 1938

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday April 12th at 2.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. In the unavoidable absence of Mrs Goodhart - Mrs Padel was in the chair. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Huntley & Mrs Hall & the following members were present - Mrs Edwards - Mrs Mann - Mrs Carter - Mrs Druce Miss & Lovelock - Mrs Walter & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed, followed by the Correspondence & County Letter.

Mrs Carter kindly offered to look after the Gift Stall at the Monthly Meeting

Miss Lovelock mentioned that some subscriptions had not been paid & the Committee were in favor that after this month, any member who had not paid their sub: be treated as a visitor & ^{be} asked to pay 6d.

Mrs Padel announced that Mrs Goodhart had arranged for Mrs Sinn to give a Cookery Dem. on Tuesday instead of a talk by America

by Mrs Bayendale who was unable to come.

Hilda Ruckeridge Hon. Sec

Hon. Sec Goodhart

11. V. 38.

Committee Meeting

May 11th 1938

A Committee Meeting was held on Wednesday May 11th at 11 o'clock in the Village Hall. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Hall - Mrs Mann & Miss K. Lovelock. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Padel - Mrs Duce - Mrs W. Edwards - Mrs Huntley - Mrs Carter - Mrs Walter & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed then followed the N.F. & County Letters the committee were in favor of sending a resolution for the next Council Meeting at Reading - Subject - The desirability of available speakers to give talks on "The Highway Code."

The Treasurer read her quarterly statement of accounts. The members who attended the R.D.C. Classes were in favor of paying an extra 3² to make up the deficit on the hire of hall for the classes.

The arrangements for the monthly meeting, were next discussed. Mrs Goodhart had been unable to find a speaker for a talk on Highway Code so it was decided to rearrange the Programme. Our President very kindly offered for the meeting to be held at New Mill if fine & said Mr Sanderson

had very kindly promised to come & go through the Community Songs (for the County Rally in July) with the members & instead of the proposed Talk - Mrs Goodhart promised to speak about the new Pensions Scheme, & also to go through the N.F. Meeting Agenda.

Mrs Goodhart promised to sketch out an idea for a banner for the Institute, as we ought to have one for the County Rally in July.

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.

Yvrag U. F. Padel.

June 14. 38.

Committee Meeting

June 14th - 1938

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday June 14th in the Village Hall at 2.30 p.m. Mrs Padel was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Duce - Mrs Mann - Mrs Edwards - Mrs Carter - Miss Cutmore - Mrs Hall - Mrs Hanley - Mrs May - Miss K Lovelock - Mrs Walter & the Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed. The County Letter & other correspondence this included a letter from the Lane & Salen's Settlement asking if members would again send flowers. The Committee being in favor, Mrs Padel promised to make arrangements for collecting & forwarding.

Arrangements were then made for the Monthly Meeting several members names were mentioned for our side of the Spelling Bee, which Mrs Padel very kindly offered to conduct.

Mrs Padel said that Mrs Watson would like the July Meeting to be held at Hindrush

Hilda Buckridge Kniskern
Honor Secretary

6.14.38

Committee Meeting

Sept 6th 1938

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday September 6th at 2-30 p.m. in the Village Hall. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Mann - Mrs Padel - Mrs Edwards - Mrs Carter - Miss Cutmore - Mrs Huntley - Mrs May - Miss K Lovelock - Mrs Walter & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed. The County Letter including the Agenda for the Council Meeting at Reading was then discussed.

The secretary asked for a definite ruling, regarding children being taken, when members were guests of other Institutes, after a good deal of discussion it was decided that in future children were not to be taken to invitation meetings.

The Treasurer read her quarterly statement of accounts & stated that there were only two competition spoons left. It was decided to put it to the next meeting if they would like to have marks instead of prizes & then at the end of the year two or three prizes for the

highest number of marks for the year.

Mrs A Moore (Miss Joan Spratt) on returning to Ipsden was again elected a member.

Arrangements were made for the September Meeting & Miss K Lovelock consented to produce a play for the October Meeting.

The Committee were asked to let members know that produce & handicrafts were to be brought to the Hall on Friday Sept 16th for Elect. Cakes for the National Mark Competition to be taken to New Mill either on the 17th or 18th.

Miss Lovelock proposed & the Committee being in favour ~~Miss Lovelock~~ it was decided to ask Mrs Monague if she would be willing to make the Institute's 9th Birthday Cake.

Hilda Buckridge Hon Sec.

Honor Goodhart

8.11.38.

Committee Meeting

November 8th 1938

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Nov 8th at 2-30 in the Village Hall. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair. Apologies for absence was sent by Mrs Druce & the following members were present - Mrs Mann - Mrs Padel - Mrs Carter - Mrs H. Edwards - Mrs Hall - Mrs Huntley - Miss K. Lovelock - Mrs Haller & the secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed. The County Letter included nominations for the County executive - County Visitor & the Berkshire Book guide. A number of interesting things were entered on the paper regarding Inkpen.

Arrangements were made for the Annual Meeting

Mrs Goodhart read out a suggested Programme for 1939 & asked for any further ideas regarding same

Mrs Huntley - Mrs Lilley - Mrs Carter & Miss K. Lovelock were to form a committee to arrange for the Annual New Year Party.

The Group Representatives for 1939 & also nominations

for the new Group President were the last item on the Agenda. Mrs Packer of Linbury was suggested & the Committee being in favor it was decided to nominate Mrs Packer for the new group President. Mrs Carter offered to be one of our Representatives & it was suggested that Mrs Decomb be asked to be the other representative for 1939.

Hilda Buckeridge Hm. Sec.

Hans Goodhart

13. III. 39

November 15th 1938

A short Committee Meeting was held after the Annual Meeting. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Edwards - Mrs Huntley - Mrs Walter - Mrs Watson - Miss Edwards - Mrs A. Edwards - Mrs P. Rolfe - Miss Carter - Mrs Lilley - Miss Lilley & Miss H. Buckeridge.

Mrs Watson - Miss Edwards & Mrs Padel were elected vice-presidents

Mrs H. Edwards & Miss H. Buckeridge were both re-elected Treasurer & Secretary.

Mrs Huntley & Mrs Lilley - Stall

Mrs Walter & Mrs A. Edwards - Welcome

Mrs Gray - Competitions
Magazines - Miss Jordan
Prize - Mrs Druce

Attendance Register - Miss K Lovelock.

Miss Edwards promised to be responsible for the Carols at the December Meeting.

It was also decided to get some more tickets printed for the Institute.

In December it was also decided to have a roll call & see how it answered. It being very difficult for the door keeper to get down everyone as they came in.

Hilda Buckeridge Hm. Sec.

Hans Goodhart

13. III. 39.

Committee Meeting

March 13th 1939

A Committee Meeting was held on Monday March 13th at 3.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair, apologies for absence were sent by Mrs A. May & Mrs Silley & the following members were present - Mrs Cadel - Mrs Watson - Miss Edwards - Mrs H. Edwards - Mrs A. Edwards - Miss Carter - Mrs Huntley - Mrs P. Rolfe - Mrs Walter & the Secretary.

The minutes of the two previous meetings were read & signed, followed by the County & National Fed. letters

The Committee were in favor of having a course of 4 lectures on First Aid & Home Nursing providing there were sufficient members interested.

One new member Lady Maline Graham was elected.

Arrangements were next made for the March Meeting

It was decided to sell the tickets for the Community Patchwork Quilt for 6^{/-} each.

Regarding the Group Competition members were ^{to be} asked to bring any possible exhibit to the April Meeting, when the six articles for the Group Competition would be selected

Hilda Buckeridge Hon. Sec.

H. Goodhart
9. 5. 39.

Committee Meeting

May 9th 1939

A Committee Meeting was held on May 9th at 2.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair. Apology for absence was sent by Miss Lilley & the following members were present - Mrs Padel - Mrs Watson - Mrs W. Edwards - Mrs A. Edwards - Miss Edwards - Miss Carter - Mrs Huntley - Mrs Lilley & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous Meeting were read and signed, arising from the minutes. It was decided to again ask the members, if they would like the Home Nursing Classes, the response being very small. The County Letter & other correspondence was then dealt with, members were to be asked at the Monthly Meeting if they would like to make "The Royal Show, Windsor Great Park." in July their summer outing this year.

Regarding Produce Shows the committee were in favor if possible of entering for both co-operative classes at the Great Show, next September.

Hilda Buckridge
Hon. Sec.

Hon. Goodhart
13. 11. 39

Committee Meeting June 13th 1939

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Morning June 13th at 10 o'clock in the Village Hall.

Mrs Goodhart was in the chair, apology for absence was sent by Miss Carter, Mrs Dunlop & Mrs Lilley - The following members were present Mrs Edwards - Mrs Padel - Mrs Watson Mrs Walter Mrs P. Rolfe & the Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed. County Letter & other Correspondence. Mrs Padel & Mrs Watson promised to pack the flowers & forward to the Time & Talents Settlement Bermondsey if members sent them again this year.

Two new members Miss Bowyer & Miss Goble were elected.

Regarding the Royal Show Windsor only 3 had given in their names so far so unless there were more at the Monthly Meeting wishing to attend, it would not be possible to run a bus as intended.

The secretary was instructed to send for the free leaflets explaining the Produce Guild.

Mrs Watson suggested that members might like to hear about the work being done by the Cancer Research Campaign. Mrs Goodhart proposed that members be asked if they would like a short talk at the Annual Meeting.

Hilda Buckridge Hon Sec.

Mrs Goodhart
13.1X.39.

Committee Meeting

Sept 13th 1939

A Committee Meeting was held on Wednesday
Sept 13th at 2.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

Mrs Goodhart was in the chair, apologies for absence
were sent by Mrs Padel - Mrs Huntley & Mrs Lilley
& the following members were present - Mrs Watson
Miss H. Edwards - Mrs P. Rolfe - Mrs Walter - Mrs May
Miss Barber & the secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read &
signed followed by the correspondence.

Miss Mae Swaine wrote owing to the outbreak of
hostilities I regret I shall have to cancel my film
show on the 19th inst.

There was also a letter of thanks from the Waifs &
Strays for the Feeders.

The County Letter was next discussed. It was decided
to ask members if they would like to meet at various
places for working parties for hospital supplies.

Mrs Goodhart proposed that at the meeting next
Tuesday members be asked to give any hints on
Fruit Preserving to help other members to make
the best use of their fruit, as we could not have
the Film show.

Mrs Watson thought that the Institute ought to try & arrange some form of recreation in the Village. Whist Drives & Social Afternoons were proposed, with a small fee to cover expenses but no prizes.

Details regarding the Tuesday meeting were settled & the Committee were in favor of no member being asked to make a Birthday Cake for our 10th Birthday in November.

Hilda Buckeridge Hon. Sec.

Melaton Nov. 14th

Committee Meeting Nov 14th 1939

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Nov 14th at 2.30 p.m. in the Village Hall in the absence of Mrs Goodhart through illness, Mrs Watson was in the chair apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Padel & the following members were present - Mrs H. Edwards - Mrs P. Rolfe - Miss Carter Mrs Waller & the Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed. County Letter & other correspondence attended to.

Two new members were elected Mrs du Boulay and Mrs Bradshaw & Miss Greenwood

Arrangements for the Annual Meeting were the next item on the agenda.

Mrs Edwards read the balance sheet which showed a small balance & the Secretary her report.

Mrs May not being present it was not possible to make final arrangements regarding the competition prizes, but the Committee agreed to leave it to

Mrs Goodhart - Mrs Watson - The Treasurer & Secretary to make the arrangements ready for next Tuesday.

Regarding the social 1/2 hour it was proposed to ask Miss Lovelock if Craven Rd members could give a sketch. other suggestions were Roll Call or Games

The Committee were in favor of having a cake competition for Dec: & proposed an eggless cake with a given recipe.

As funds were low it was decided to try & sell sufficient tickets so that the Quilt could be raffled & also to see if the screen could not be completed.

Hilda Buckridge
Hon Sec.

Hon. of Goodhart
9.1.40.

Committee Meeting

Jan 9th 1940

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Jan 9th at 11 A.M. at Meadowside. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Watson - Mrs Edwards - Miss Barber - Mrs P. Rolfe & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed, followed by the correspondence.

Arrangements for the monthly meeting were the next item, it was decided to have an advertisement comp: for the Social & hour.

The Committee were in favor of asking Mrs Kercomb to take Mrs May's place on the Committee

Funds being low it was decided to have a Gift Stall at the Feb: meeting.

Regarding the proposed Social on Friday 19th owing to illness Mrs Barber was unable to arrange the Programme. The Secretary was instructed to

ask Mrs Duce if she would kindly make the necessary arrangements.

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.

Honor Goodhart
15. III 40.

Committee Meeting

March 15th 1940

A Committee Meeting was held on Friday March 15th at Meadowside & Mrs Goodhart was in the chair, apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Lilley & Miss Carter & the following members were present Mrs Huntley - Mrs Hercomb - Mrs Watson - Miss Edwards & Mrs Rolfe & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed followed by the correspondence which included a letter of thanks from the Waifs and Strays

Five new members were elected Mrs Carpenter - Mrs Schlesinger - Mrs Watson - Miss Slerry & Miss Parkinson

Arrangements for the March Meeting were Talk by Mrs Elshorne on Housewives in America Social 1/2 hour Community Singing with Mrs Carpenter at the Piano

It was decided that the competition for April should be either a poem or bunch of Wild flowers.

Mrs Goodhart hoped that the Institute would start a National Savings Campaign Club, but that would depend on the members being willing to co-operate.

Suggestions regarding the Programme for the rest of the year, were made & our President promised to see what could be done regarding same.

Hilda Buckridge
Hon Sec.

Mrs Goodhart
9. IV. 40.

Committee Meeting

March 9th 1940

A Committee Meeting was held at Meadowside on Tuesday March 9th at 2.30 p.m. Apologies for absence was sent by Mrs Rolfe. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs W. Edwards - Mrs Huntley - Mrs Hercomb - Mrs Walter - Miss Edwards - Mrs Watson - Mrs Lawrence - Miss Carter & the Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed followed by the correspondence. This included a letter regarding sugar for fruit preservation of home grown fruit. The members decided in favor of applying for their own requirements & not co-operatively as an Institute, but to ask for 50 or 60 lbs for preservation of any surplus fruit to be done co-operatively in July.

The Treasurers statement of accounts showed a satisfactory balance.

Arrangements for the Monthly Meeting were talk

by Mrs Barendale on "Jack of Newbury" who & the Competition would be judged by Mrs Barendale also. Social ½ hour Community Singing. It was decided that the Competition for May should be a short essay on "Jack of Newbury"

The Secretary was also instructed to write and ask for Mr Barnes in July & also for Dramatic Performance for September Meeting.

Members were in favor of continuing their working parties meetings as Mrs Goodhart stated that there was a real need for Soft Slippers by the Red Cross

Hilda Buckridge

Hon. Sec.

H. Goodhart
2. VII 40.

Committee Meeting July 2^o 1940

A Committee Meeting was held at Meadowside on Tuesday July 2^o at 2.30 p.m. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Rolfe & Miss Stoddard. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Edwards - Mrs Huntley - Mrs Lawrence Mrs Walter Mrs Watson & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed & this raised the question of Soft Slippers again, & it was decided to ask members if they would like a class & then do them in their own homes.

The Committee were in favor of hiring a canning machine the 1st week in August & to apply for 2 cartons 90 in each of lacquered cans & also 1 1/2 cwt of sugar all for Communal Preservation mainly of Plums.

A letter was also read from the Lime & Laurel Settlement asking for flowers, it was decided to send if Mr Watson were going

to London & could take them once again for us. Mrs Goodhart offered to let members know.

The Committee present were in favor of making a ^{copper} collection at the July meeting for the proposed W. J.'s Ambulance Fund & making it up to 10/- from the Institute Funds.

Hilda Buckridge

A. Edward

1/10/40

Committee Meeting

Oct 1st 1940

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Oct 1st at 2.30 p.m. at Meadowside. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Hercomb & Mrs Lawrence & in the unavoidable absence of our President Miss Edwards was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs W. Edwards - Mrs P Rolfe - Miss Carter & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed followed by the Correspondence. The County Letter brought up the question of Vegetable Seed Collections offered by Sutton's for 1941, as the 1940 collections were so much appreciated we expect even more members will take advantage of this offer.

One new member Mrs Bonham Carter was elected.

Regarding the Annual Meeting in November

Members present were in favor of trying to obtain an entirely new committee as most of the present members have been on the Committee for 2 years or more. It was also decided to make a special effort to make the Annual & Birthday Meeting an extra special occasion as far as possible under present circumstances.

Hilda Buckridge for Sec.
H. M. Goodhart

12. XI. 40.

Committee Meeting

Nov 12th 1940

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Nov 12th at 2.30 p.m. at Meadowside. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair, apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Lawrence & Mrs Huntley & the following members were present - Mrs Watson Mrs H. Edwards - Mrs Walter - Mrs P. Rolfe Miss Carter & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed followed by the correspondence. Members present were in favor of a printed programme of the Calendar Blank Type & the secretary was instructed to order some.

Arrangements for the Annual Meeting were the next item. The Treasurer read her statement & the secretary her Report. As there were only 13 names given in for the 1941 Committee there would be no ballot so Mrs Goodhart said that Miss Green would come & give a talk. The committee were all in favor of Miss Green coming. It was also decided that the Competition Prizes for the year

should be National Savings Stamps. Mrs Edwards had very kindly promised to make the Birthday Cake & attend to the tea.

Regarding the December meeting it was decided to ask the members at the Annual meeting what they would like & also if they wished to continue with the Competitions.

Hilda Buckenidge Hon. Sec.
Honor Goodhart
10.11.40.

Committee Meeting

Dec 10th 1940

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Morning at 11 A.M. at Meadowside. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Dercomb & Mrs Duce & the following members of the new Committee were present - Mrs Edwards - Mrs Watson - Mrs P Rolfe - Mrs Schlesinger - Mrs Bradshaw & Mrs Buckeridge

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed. This was followed by the ^{2nd} election of the Secretary & Treasurer & Mrs Bradshaw & Mrs Duce as Vice-Presidents - Miss Lovelock Competitions & Mrs P Rolfe Stalls.

Mrs Watson proposed that the following resolution be sent for the agenda at the Annual Council Meeting in Reading -
"That pressure be brought to bear upon County Councils to enforce the wearing of a white armband by pedestrians after dark."

Details regarding the December Meeting were next discussed & settled.

One new member Mrs Wilcott was elected.

Mrs Goodhart asked for suggestions for February & the secretary was instructed to write & try & fix up that date & then the first 4 months of 1941 could be on the new programme.

The question of Group Meetings was raised & Mrs Goodhart promised to ring up Hungerford & see if they thought one could be arranged at Inkpen

Hilda Buckeridge Hon Sec
Honor Goodhart
12.11.40

Committee Meeting

March 12th 1941

A Committee Meeting was held on Wed March 12th at Meadowside at 2.30 p.m. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair apology for absence was sent by Mrs Watson & the following members were present Mrs Bradshaw - Mrs Druce - Mrs W. Edwards - Mrs Carter - Mrs P. Rolfe - Mrs Walter and the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed

The County Letter stated that they hoped Institutes would again do co-operative canning & preserving this year. Several members promised to help & it was decided to leave it for the time at that until further particulars were announced.

2 New Members were elected Mrs Cummings & Mrs J. Slacey & Mrs Slacey was re-elected.

The Treasurer Statement of Accounts showed a satisfactory balance.

It was decided that the Competitions for April & May be - Bussif for the Troops & Best use $\frac{1}{2}$ pt milk and not to exceed 6^d

The Sec: was instructed to write Mrs Packer that Imkepin would do a sounce from Romeo & Juliet for their share in the Group Programme, and also to write Miss Nettleship regarding the May Meeting

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.

Honor Goodhart

30. IV . 41.

Committee Meeting April 30th 1941

A Committee Meeting was held on Wednesday April 30th. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & an apology for absence was sent by Mrs Schlessinger & the following members were present - Mrs Bradshaw - Mrs Druce - Mrs Huntley - Mrs Watson - Mrs W. Edwards - Mrs P. Wolfe & the Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed

Regarding the Soil Preservation Scheme members present were in favor of again running a Soil Preservation Centre & Mrs Bradshaw consented to be Supervisor with Mrs Druce as Chief Helper Mrs Goodhart chairman - Mrs W. Edwards Treasurer - Miss H. Buckeridge Secretary & it was proposed to ask the following non members to be on the sub committee Miss Parisetti - Miss Holland - Mr Hazel & Mr Jones. Various other details regarding the centre were attended to such as Sugar - Cans & equipment etc.

One new member Mrs Lane was elected

It was decided that the Competition for June should be a Vase or Bowl of Wild or Garden Flowers.

The Secretary stated that 2 cups were broken at the group meeting & 1 at the War Weapons Week Concert, Dance. Mrs Goodhart promised to claim for the breakages

H. Buckeridge Hon. Sec.
H. Goodhart
17. X. 41.

Committee Meeting

Oct 14th 1941

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Oct 14th at 2.30 p.m. at Meadowside. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present
Mrs Watson - Mrs Schlesinger - Mrs P. Rolfe
Mrs H. Edwards - Mrs Bruce - Mrs Huntley
Mrs Walter - Mrs Carter & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed, followed by the County Letter. The Secretary consented to being the Representative for the ^{cupon free} knitting wool for registered members for relations etc in the future. Members present were in favor of an application for Keep Fit Classes providing sufficient students could be enrolled.

Two new members were elected Mrs Barrett & Mrs Lynch

The arrangements for the 14th were the next item. A cooking demonstration by Miss Cumming & it was decided to ask her to judge the competition for the best bottle of Froul or Tomatoes.

Mrs Schlesinger very kindly consented to give a violin recital for the Social 1/2 hour.

It was also decided to draw for the Screen at the Monthly Meeting.

Mrs Schlesinger & Mrs Carter consented to be the Group Representatives for 1942

Mrs Goodhart said that she ~~Hilda Buckridge~~ was very sorry to state that the Centre Store Room at the Hall had been broken into over the week end & 10 lb of jam stolen. The Police had been notified

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.
Honor Goodhart
11. 11. 41.

Committee Meeting

Nov: 11th 1941

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Nov 11th at 2.30 p.m. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair. An apology for absence was sent by Mrs Rolfe & the following members were present - Mrs Edwards Mrs Watson - Mrs Schlesinger - Mrs Carter - Mrs Waller Mrs Druce - Mrs Huntley & the Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed, followed by the County Letter. The Secretary was requested to write & apply for the County Council Practical Cooking Classes at once. It was decided to leave the Programme Planning & the Singing Festival over until the next Committee Meeting.

Mrs Druce stated that so far only 14 students were available for the Keep Fit Classes & 20 is the minimum.

Two new members were elected Mrs Schlesinger^(Son) & Mrs Regensburg

Arrangements were next made for the Annual & Birthday Meeting. The Treasurers & Secretaries

Reports were read, & Mrs Edwards was asked to see if Kintbury would send 2 members to act as Tellers next Tuesday, when attending at Kintbury W.I. at their Annual Meeting to act as tellers there on the 12th inst.

Mrs Schlesinger very kindly promised to arrange games for Social 2 hours if required & also to ask Mrs Regensburg to judge the Competition

It was also decided that the Competition Prizes for the year should again ~~be~~ be National Savings Stamps 10/- 6/- & 4/- . The Competition for December to be a knitted pair of childrens gloves to be given to the childrens hostel at Hokingham (Mrs Carter's request)

Members were in favor of holding a few years Eve Social

Mrs Goodhart read an appeal for the Russian Red Cross from Mrs Churchill & it was decided to make an house to house collection in addition to the 1st week collection for the Red Cross.

Hilda Buckeridge Hon Sec

Mrs Goodhart

9. XII. 41.

Committee Meeting

Dec 9th 1942

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Dec 9th at Meadowside at 2.30 p.m. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair, apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Schlesinger - Mrs Jackman & Mrs Farr & the following members were present Mrs Watson Mrs Bradshaw - Mrs Duce - Mrs Walter Mrs W. Edwards - Mrs P. Rolfe & Miss Buckeridge

The first item on the agenda being the election of officers for 1942.

The Treasurer & Secretary were both re-elected
Vice Presidents - Mrs Duce & Mrs Schlesinger
Registrar - Mrs Farr
Competitions - Mrs Jackman
Stall - Mrs Walter & Mrs Huntley

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed.

The County Letter raised the question of a co-operative exhibit for the Handicraft Exhibition the Secretary to write for details regarding same & for 6 schedules also.

Details were arranged regarding the Dec Meeting

The Programme for 1942 was arranged as far as possible for most of the months.

Hilda Buckeridge Hon Sec

Ann Goodhart

10.11.42.

Committee Meeting

10th 1942

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday
10th at 2.30 p.m. at New Mill. Apologies
for absence were sent by Mrs Watson & Mrs Carter.
Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following
members were present Mrs Druce - Mrs Schlesinger
Mrs H. Edwards - Mrs Bradshaw - Mrs Farr
Mrs Jackson - Mrs Walter & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were
read & signed, followed by the County Letter
regarding Trips Film Show the Secretary to write
& ask if the school children & Institute members
could share a Show at the Village Hall.

The N.F.W.S. letter announced a meeting to
be held in the Albert Hall June 18th. Mrs Goodhart
proposed that if the members were in favor, that a
emergency resolution be sent to the Berks Fed:
"That in this time of grave emergency it is
undesirable & unpatriotic to waste the time
of delegates, & the money of Institutes, & the
transportation required in attending the
Annual General Meeting, which is not

essential to the War effort. All members
being in favor of the Resolution, it was
to be put to the members at the meeting on
Tuesday next.

The 14/- surplus money from the Cooking
Classes was handed to the Treasurer
for use at some future date.

Mrs Goodhart said that so far she had
been unable to find any suitable war
work for the Village in general but
hoped that some would help with the
Harvest etc. Mrs Bradshaw offered to
look after the children at the Hall.

Hilda Bucknidge

Honor Goodhart

14. IV. 42.

Committee Meeting April 14th 1942

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday April 14th at Meadowside at 2.30 p.m. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Schlesinger & Mrs Carter. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Watson Mrs W. Edwards - Mrs Druce - Mrs P. Rolfe Mrs Walter - Mrs Bradshaw - Mrs Jackman Mrs Farr & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed arising out of the minutes Mrs Goodhart stated that the resolution against the N.F. Annual Meeting being held was turned down by a small majority at the Annual Council Meeting at Reading.

The County Letter & Correspondence were discussed & it was decided to "Sing Song or Play" for the Social $\frac{1}{2}$ hour on Tuesday 21st.

Regarding the Savings Group Secretary it was decided to ask Mrs Cummings if she would be willing to take over from

her sister-in-law, who owing to war work was seldom at home.

No arrangements were made regarding the Fruit Preservation Centre, as we thought it best to wait until after the Meeting at Newbury. Mrs Druce & Mrs Farr to attend same as our representatives.

Hilda Buckeridge
Ethel Druce.

Committee Meeting

May 12th 1942

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday May 12th at Meadowside at 2.30 p.m. In the unavoidable absence of Mrs Goodhart - Mrs Druce was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Schlesinger - Mrs H. Edwards - Mrs Bradshaw - Miss Edwards - Mrs Farr - Mrs P. Rolfe - Mrs Watson - Mrs Walter & the Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed arising out of the minutes. G.P.C. It was decided that provided the surplus fruit (if any) could be ^{disposed of} used in the village no centre would be set up this year.

An appeal from the P.D.S.A. for further help was read & Mrs Druce offered to run a dance & send proceeds to same.

The Committee were in favor of asking Mrs Jerome to give a talk on Beekeeping at the July Meeting instead of the proposed talk on Russia.

Treasurer

The Secretary gave a satisfactory statement of accounts, shewing a very good balance in hand.

A few details regarding the May meeting were arranged.

Hilda Buckridge

Honor Goodhart
9. VI. 42.

Committee Meeting

Sept 9th 1942

A Committee Meeting was held at Meadowside on ~~Wed~~ Wednesday Sept-9th at 3 p.m. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Schlesinger - Mrs Farr - Mrs P Rolfe - Mrs Jackson and Mrs Walter being otherwise engaged on war work. The following members were present Mrs Watson Mrs Druce & the Secretary

The minutes were read & signed followed by the County Letter

Arrangements were made regarding the meeting on Tuesday 15th & also for the October meeting.

Hilda Buckney, Wn. Sec.

Helen Goodhart

11. XI. 42

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Committee Meeting

June 9th 1942

A Committee Meeting was held on June 9th in the Village Hall at 2.30 p.m. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs W Edwards - Mrs Schlesinger - Mrs Druce - Mrs Parr - Mrs Walter - Mrs P. Rolfe & the Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed followed by the County Letter & others.

A few details regarding the June meeting were settled & the Programme ^{for 1942} was ~~finished~~ filled in as much as possible, so as to send one in for Competition. Mrs Goodhart very kindly filling in the copy sent.

Hilda Buckridge H. Sec.

Honor Goodhart

9. IX. 42

Committee Meeting

Nov 11th 1942

A Committee Meeting was held on Wednesday Nov 11th at 3 p.m. at Meadowside. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair, apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Duce & Mrs Bennett who were acting as Sellers for Kintbury W.I. & Mrs Walter & Mrs P. Rolfe. The following members were present - Mrs Schlesinger - Mrs Farr - Mrs Watson - Mrs Edwards - Miss K. Lovelock & the Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed followed by the Correspondence. The County Letter raised the question of starting a Knitting Party for the Merchant Navy - members present being in favor; the Secretary to write & ask for wool for one standard sock providing we could have over 2 months to do the 30 articles required & we already had 4 lbs of wool to send for the Red Cross.

Arrangements were made regarding the Annual Meeting. The Treasurer read her Statement which showed a satisfactory balance & the Secretary her report.

Regarding the Programme for 1943, Members present were in favor of no fixed Programme but arranging a month or two at a time & having a Knitting Meeting possibly every third month starting with January.

Mrs Schlesinger offered to ask Mrs Stein if she would come once again & give a Talk, & also the Secretary to write & ask for a Cooking Demonstration in Feb: & V.C. & Talk on Citizenship for March.

The Competitions Prizes for the year once again to be Savings Stamps.

Hilda Buckeridge Hon. Sec.
Honor Goodhart
9. III 43

Monthly Committee Meeting Mch 9th/43

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Mch 9th at 3 p.m. at Meadowside. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Bradshaw.

Mrs Goodhart was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Schlesinger - Mrs Watson - Mrs Edwards - Mrs Lau - Mrs Bennett - Mrs P Rolfe - Mrs Druce & The Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed followed by The County & N.F.W.I. letters

Regarding the questionnaire on Education to be returned. Mrs Watson offered to get copies type written & distributed to members before the meeting next Tuesday when it was proposed to hold a round table conference on the subject

One new member Mrs Bruner was elected.

Mrs Goodhart promised to try & get a speaker for April on Antiquities of Berkshire & failing that to spend the afternoon on

the Patchwork left over from the Quilt made some long time ago.

The Treasurers statement shewed a satisfactory balance.

The Potato Competition for the most appetising supper dish for 4 people. The winning recipe to be sent to N.F.W.I. to be held in April.

Mrs Watson proposed that we closed down the Institute for the summer months as the attendance had fallen considerably lately. Mrs Druce thought if we closed down it would be an end of our Institute. As some were for & some against. Mrs Goodhart proposed that it be put to the meeting on Tuesday

Hilda Buckridge
Ethel Druce.

Committee Meeting

Sept 14th 1943

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Sept 14th at 3 p.m. at Meadowside. Mrs Duce was in the chair & the following members were present. Mrs Schlesinger - Mrs Farr - Mrs Bennett - Mrs P. Rolfe. - Mrs K. Lovelock & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed followed by the County Letter & Correspondence.

Arrangements were made regarding the meeting on Tuesday 21st.

Several suggestions were made regarding members who might be willing to be nominated as president in November, the Secretary to find out if either would be willing to do so.

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.

Honor Roll

9. 11. 43

Committee Meeting Nov 9th 1943

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Nov 9th at 3p.m. at Meadowside. Mrs Goodhart was in the chair. Apologies for absence were sent by - Mrs Schlesinger Mrs Bradshaw - Mrs Lane - Mrs Halter & Mrs Watson the following members were present - Mrs Druce Mrs H Edwards - Mrs P. Rolfe - Mrs Bennett Miss K. Lovelock & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed followed by the County Letter.

Only 13 names had been handed in to the Secretary for 1944 so there would be no Ballot.

Arrangements for 16th were the usual Annual Biz followed by Demonstration on "Household jobbery" by Mrs Prior.

The Treasurer read her Annual Financial Statement & the Secretary the Annual Report.

It was decided that the competition for December be "A Soft Toy" for the children at the Hobkingham Home.

Members were in favor of having a Printed Programme for 1944. With all the competitions for the year & the first 6 months Demonstrations or Talks if possible.

The Prizes for the years Competitions once again to be Savings Stamps

Hilda Buckeridge Hon. Sec.
Ethel Druce (Pres.) 7/12/43

Committee Meeting Dec 7th 1943

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Dec 7th at 5p.m. at Meadowside Mrs Druce was in the chair. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Goodhart - Mrs Bradshaw Miss K Lovelock - Mrs Morgan & Mrs Briner & the following members were present - Mrs H. Edwards - Mrs Farr - Mrs P. Rolfe - Mrs Bennett - Mrs Walter - Mrs Bonham Carter & the Secretary.

Mrs Schlesinger was co-opted at the Annual Meeting if willing to serve on the Committee. Mrs Schlesinger consented but would not be able to attend meetings until fit again.

No Committee being held after the Annual Meeting the first item was the election of Officers for 1944. Vice-President's suggested were Mrs Schlesinger - Mrs Bradshaw & Miss K. Lovelock. Mrs Goodhart wishing to be a Committee Member only. Mrs H. Edwards & Miss H. Buckridge Treasurers & Secretary Mrs Farr - Registrar - Mrs Bonham Carter - Competitions & Mrs Walter - Stall.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed followed by the County Letter & Correspondence.

The Programme for 1944 was provisionally completed as

far as talks & demonstrations & some of the competitions filled in. Leaving the rest for ^{members at} next Tuesday's meeting.

It was suggested that this year's competitions be January to December inclusive, so that members could see beforehand all the competitions printed in advance. Some being for & against it was decided to leave the decision to the December meeting for vote.

Mrs Druce suggested a small prize ^{could} be given for the November & Dec Competitions if altered.

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.
E. the 1. Druce.

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Committee Meeting

Jan 25th 1944

A Committee Meeting was held at Meadowside on Tuesday Jan 25th at 3 p.m. Mrs Druce was in the chair. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Goodhart - Mrs H. Edwards + Mrs Bennett + the following members were present: Mrs Bradshaw - Mrs Briner - Miss K. Lovelock - Mrs Morgan - Mrs P. Rolfe - Mrs Walter - Mrs Fair + the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read + signed + a letter from the Merchant Navy Compt's Service. It was decided to knit socks + Pullovers the Sec: to ask for 12 lbs of wool.

The Institute Social arrangements were then discussed. Miss Sherry + Mrs Morgan very kindly promised to serve the tea + Mrs Bradshaw arranged for various members to make the cakes etc for the tea. Mrs Druce arranged the Social side.

One new member Mrs F. Hall was elected.

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.

Shel Druce.

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Committee Meeting

March 14th 1944

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday March 14th at 2.30 p.m. at Meadowside. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Goodhart & Miss Lovelock. Mrs Duce was in the chair & the following members were present -

Mrs Edwards - Mrs Schlesinger - Mrs Briner - Mrs P. Rolfe
Mrs Bradshaw - Mrs Morgan - Mrs Bonham Carter
Mrs Fan - Mrs Bennett - Mrs Walter & the Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed followed by the Correspondence. Mrs Bonham Carter promised to go as our Delegate to Reading on April 1st with Mrs Bradshaw as visitor.

Regarding the singing Festival at Newbury in May Mrs Schlesinger promised to write & make arrangements for members to enter, if possible to find a conductor available.

Arrangements were made regarding the March Meeting & it was decided if possible to send a delegate to the N.S.W. Annual Meeting in May.

Hilda Buckridge Hon. Sec.

Photo Duce 9-5-44

Committee Meeting

May 9th

A Committee Meeting was held at Meadowside on Tuesday May 9th at 2.30 p.m. Mrs Druce was in the chair. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Barbara Carter Mrs Goodhart - Mrs Schlesinger & Mrs Walter. The following members were present Mrs Bradshaw - Mrs Bennett Mrs Briner - Mrs Morgan Mrs P. ~~Collins~~ - Mrs Edwards Miss K. Lovelock - Mrs Lane & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed followed by the County Letter

Arrangements were made regarding the May Meeting it was ^{decided} to have another 3rd dip to pay for the programmes

After a good deal of discussion it was decided that the W.I Savings Group target for the "Salute the Soldier" week be £100.

Mrs Druce announced that the Whist Drive in aid of W.I. Funds was a great success the result being £2-5-0 for funds

Hilda Buckenidge Hon Sec
Ethel Druce

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Committee Meeting

July 11th 1944

A Committee Meeting was held at Meadowside on Tuesday July 11th at 2.30 p.m. Apologies for absence were sent by - Mrs Bennett - Mrs Goodhart & Mrs Morgan. Mrs Druce was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Bradshaw - Mrs Briner - Mrs Edwards - Mrs Bonham Carter - Mrs Schlesinger - Mrs P. Rolfe - Mrs Walter - Mrs Lane & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed followed by the County Letter. It was decided to hold a discussion on "How to bring New Life & the Younger Member into the W.I. movement after the War" at the September Meeting before the children came. The Secretary was also asked to write for the notes regarding the proposed idea of a W.I. College.

Arrangements were made regarding the Monthly Meeting. It was decided to ask Mrs Giles our V.C.O. to judge the Competition. The Choir to arrange the Social $\frac{1}{2}$ hour.

Hilda Buckridge Hon Sec.
Sheila Druce 12:45

Committee Meeting

Sept 12th 1944

A Committee Meeting was held at Meadowside on Tuesday Sept 12th at 2.30 p.m. Mrs Druce was in the chair - apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Goodhart & Mrs Lan & the following members were present - Mrs Edwards - Mrs Schlesinger - Miss K. Lovelock Mrs Bonham Carter - Mrs Bennett - Mrs P. Rolfe Mrs Morgan - Mrs Walter & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed followed by the Correspondence.

It was decided to discuss the problem - How to bring New Life & the younger member into the W.I. movement after the war at the meeting next Tuesday before the children arrived about 4 p.m.

Details were arranged regarding the Children's Tea

Mrs Druce had received a letter from Lady Spickernell stating that they hoped to hold a meeting in Newbury on Nov 11th on Local Government & hoped that as many of our members as possible would attend.

Regarding our 15th Birthday Cake it was decided to ask members once again to contribute the rationed goods & also to ask for a vol. to make it.

Hilda Buckeridge Hon. Sec.
Ethel Druce 14.11.44

Committee Meeting Nov 14th 1944

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Nov 14th at 2.30 p.m. at Meadowside. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Bradshaw - Mrs Bennett & Mrs Edwards. Mrs P. Rolfe Mrs Druce was in the chair & the following members were present - Mrs Schlesinger - Mrs Morgan - Mrs Lane Mrs Goodhart - Mrs Bonham Carter - Mrs Walter & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed followed by the County Letter. This raised the question of knitting for the "European Clothing Relief". Mrs Goodhart very kindly offered to take charge with certain reservations as regards time & each month if that was agreeable to the Depot & providing members were prepared to knit the garments.

The secretary was instructed to order 10 copies of 2nd edition "Hand to Mouth" Cooking Book as 8 were bespoken already.

Arrangements were made regarding the Annual & Birthday Meeting. The Treasurer's Financial Statement was read by Mrs Druce & the Secretary her report.

Mrs Bonham Carter promised to ask Mrs Skinner to come & judge the Score Competition.

The Programme for 1945 was provisionally arranged & also the Competitions.

It was decided to have an extra Competition in December. Something for a child - Soft Toy or article of clothing etc to be given to the children's Home at Wokingham.

Hilda Buckeridge Hon. Sec.
E. M. Druce 4:12:44

Committee Meeting

Dec 5th 1944

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday Dec 5th at 2.30 p.m. at Meadowside. Apologies for absence were sent by - Mrs Bradshaw & Mrs Farr. Mrs Druce was in the chair & the following members were present. Mrs Bennett - Mrs Bonham Carter - Mrs H. Edwards - Miss K Lovelock - Mrs Morgan - Mrs P Rolfe - Mrs Schlesinger - Miss Sterry - Mrs Walter - Mrs Cummings & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed

This was followed by the election of Officers from the nominated Committee. Mrs Bonham Carter - Secretary - Mrs H. Edwards Treasurer. ~~Miss~~ Lovelock - Mrs Morgan & Mrs Schlesinger Vice-Presidents - Mrs Farr Registrar - Mrs Walter Stall - Mrs P Rolfe Competitions - Mrs Cummings Group Secretary

The Correspondence included County Letter - Merchant Navy & The Secretary of C.W.A. Hopetoun our Australian Link

Arrangements were made regarding the meeting on Dec 12th & Mrs Druce hoped all present would bring something for the Trading Stall next Tuesday, as there had been very little on the Stall lately.

The Programme for 1945 is nearing completion & it was left to Mrs Bonham Carter to make arrangements for the printing etc.

Committee Members were in favor of an Afternoon Social in January & Mrs Morgan - Mrs Bonham Carter - Mrs Schlesinger & Mrs Bradshaw to make arrangements; ^{providing} if members were in favor of an afternoon social again this year.

Hilda Buckeridge (Retiring Sec.)
Ethel Druce Jan: 9th 1944

Committee meeting.

Jan 9th 1945

A committee meeting was held on Tuesday, Jan 9th at 2.30 p.m. at Beacon House. Apologies for absence were sent by:- Miss Steery, Mrs Sellesinger, Mrs Rolfe, Mrs Cummings, Mrs Morgan. Mrs Druce was in the chair. The following members were present:- Miss Buckridge, Mrs Bradshaw, Mrs Bennett, Mrs Farr, Miss K. Lovelock, Mrs Walters, Mrs W. Edwards & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed followed by the County Letter. It was decided to knit for the Merchant Navy instead of Occupied Europe, & a sack of wool is to be ordered. Also to make an appeal at the next general meeting for things for another parcel for the Prisoners of War.

Final arrangements for the Social on the 9th were then discussed, & it was decided to keep the fruit which has now arrived from Australia, for next year's birthday cake, rather than use it for the social.

Mrs Druce then raised the question of water supply to Inkpen school, & a strong letter to the

Berkshire Education Authorities on this subject was thought to be an excellent idea.

It was then decided that the Dramatic Society should re-join the British Drama League, at a fee of 10/6.

The Secretary was instructed to order 6 more copies of the "Hand to Mouth" Cookery Book.

Audrey Barham-Carter Hon. Sec.
Ethel Druce Feb: 14th 1945

Committee meeting

Feb. 13 1945

A Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, Feb. 13th at 2.30 p.m. at Beacon House. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs P. Rolfe & Mrs Bradshaw. Mrs Drove was in the chair. The following members were present:— Mrs Bennett, Miss H. Buckridge, Mrs Cummins, Mrs W. Edwards, Mrs Farr, Miss K. Lovelock, Mrs Morgan, Mrs Schlesinger, Miss Sterry, Mrs Walter & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed, followed by the County letter, & the agenda for the Spring Council meeting. Committee members decided to attend the next Parish meeting, & see what is being done about housing in Suckpen; they resolved to take a more active interest in local affairs.

Mrs Treasurer read a very satisfactory financial statement.

The Play Reading which is to be held on March 18th at Beacon House at 2.30, was then discussed. The Second act from Galsworthy's 'Silver Box' being the scene chosen. Rehearsals will proceed as soon as copies arrive from the Drama League.

The forthcoming Music Festival to be held in Newbury during May, seemed to be a more attractive proposition

than the music advisory visit of Arnold Goldborough & the secretary was instructed to buy copies of the songs from Newbury.

Members were asked to remember to bring things for the P.O.W parcel next Tuesday as Mrs Edwards has received nothing to date.

Mrs Bonham-Carter agreed to arrange the social half hour for next Tuesday's meeting.

Audrey G. Bonham-Carter

(Hon Secy)

Ethel Dauce April 10th 1945

Committee Meeting

April 10th

A Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, April 10th at 2.30 p.m. at Beacon House. Apologies for absence were sent by:- Mrs Morgan, Mrs Schlesinger, Miss Storry & Mrs Walter. Mrs Duce was in the chair. The following members were present: Mrs Bennett, Miss H. Buckeridge, Mrs Cummins, Mrs Farr, Miss K. Lovelock, Mrs P. Rolfe & the Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & signed followed by the County Letter. The question of a fruit center & canning was discussed, & the committee decided not to have a fruit center this year but that if any members wished to can their own fruit, they could do so with Mrs Bonham-Carter's canning machine, subject to cans being obtainable.

On the question of schools for WI members; Mrs Duce & Mrs Farr volunteered to attend the Social Half hour school at Reading on May 18th.

Mrs Duce & Miss K. Lovelock hope to attend the President's & Vice President's Tea Party at Chieveley on June 1st.

The letter on the financial state of the Berks WI headquarters followed. There is a need to raise either £6000 now, or raise the quota.

members are asked to discuss this at their next meeting & vote on it.

Three new members were elected:- Mrs Lawrence, Mrs Duker & Miss Arnott.

The President then suggested that some W.I. tickets should be printed for the various functions for which tickets are needed; it was decided to have 1000 printed.

The prizes for tonight's Whist Drive were discussed & it was decided to hold raffles of eggs & cream which were being presented. The Whist Drive is in aid of St Dunstons.

Audrey E. Bonham-Carter
(Hon. Sec.)

Ethel Duce June 12th 1945.

Committee meeting.

June 11th 1945

A Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, June 11th at Beacon House. Apologies for absence were sent by: Mrs Bennett, Mrs Bradshaw, Miss Bucknidge, Mrs W. Edwards, & Mrs Schlesinger. Mrs Druce was in the Chair. The following members were present: - Mrs Cummins, Mrs Farr, Miss K. Lovelock, Mrs Morgan, Miss Sterry, Mrs Walter & the Secretary.

The minutes of the ^{April} previous meeting were read & signed; there had been no May Committee meeting as V.E. Day had occurred on the second Tuesday.

The County Letter was read & the question of how to raise our share of the £6000 needed by the B.F.W.I. was discussed; the sum required by Inkepen was £50, during the next two years. It was decided to get up some plays for the winter, & run a series of Whist Drives, starting with a Garden Whist Drive in Lower Green. Another idea was to give each member 6^d & she had to do her best to turn that 6^d into 5/- or more.

The forthcoming Produce Show in Newbury was the next subject discussed. It was decided to enter for the W.I.

store cupboard collection, & to ask Miss Lawrence if she would be responsible for collecting it together.

Committee members thought it would be a good plan to write to Mrs Percy Rolfe, who left Inkepen in April & has been much missed, both as a useful committee member, & a most helpful member of the W.I.

Anthony E. Bonham - Carter

Hon. Sec:

Ethel Druce July 10th 1945.

Committee Meeting July 10th 1945

A Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, July 10 at Beacon House. Apologies for absence were sent by Miss Sterry. Mrs Drove was in the Chair. The following members were present - Mrs Bennett, Miss Buckridge, Mrs Cummins, Mrs Farr, Miss K. Lovelock, Mrs Morgan, Mrs Schlesinger, & the Secretary.

The minutes of the June meeting were read & signed. Arising from these, another method of raising our £50 for the County funds was suggested - viz - that anyone bringing goods to the D.I. stall, could if they wished donate the proceeds to above fund.

With regard to the forthcoming Produce Show in Newbury, Miss K. Lovelock has very kindly consented to act as secretary for this, collecting entries & distributing schedules etc.

The County Letter was then read & the resolutions for the Autumn Council Meeting. 8 of our members attended the Handicraft Gathering in Newbury on July 6 & found it extremely interesting with a very good tea. As a result, the committee decided to write & apply for the County Council Dressmaking course, feeling confident that at least 12 members would like to participate. The Secretary was also requested to enquire if the Rural Home Crafts

Demonstration Van would be passing through our village during its tour.

The Committee thought it would be a good plan to re-commence group meetings & the Sec. was asked to find out if Hungerford & Kintbury are also agreeable.

A nice letter was received from Mrs P. Rolfe in reply to the letter written to her on behalf of the Committee. We are glad to hear that she is so much better. Mrs Schlesinger has kindly consented to take over Mrs Rolfe's job, which was arranging the competitions.

It was decided to arrange a members' day for August with members not on the Committee to act as President, Secretary etc.

Final arrangements for next Sat's Caledonian Market were discussed, several members kindly consenting to come & price & arrange articles on Friday & take over stalls on Sat. A very good collection of goods had already turned up with promises of more before the end of the week.

Andray L. Bonham - Carter
Ethel Dune Sept. 11th 1945

Committee Meeting. September 11th 1945

A Committee meeting was held at Beacon House on Tuesday, Sept. 11th, at 2.30 p.m. Apologies for absence were sent by Mrs Schlesinger, Mrs Bradshaw & Miss K. Lovelock. Mrs Dence was in the Chair. The following members were present:- Miss H. Buckridge, Mrs Cummins, Mrs W. Edwards, Mrs Morgan, Mrs Walter & the Secretary.

The Minutes of the July meeting were read & signed. Arising from these it was decided to find out from the County Council if Inkepen could have a dressmaking course apart from the Newbury classes.

The final agenda for the Autumn Council meeting was then read. Mrs Walter will act as delegate on Oct. 5th.

As so many WI members have returned to London, all committee members were asked to try ^{& introduce} ~~persuade~~ at least two new members each.

A Whist Drive was arranged for Tuesday Sept. 25. Mrs Bradshaw & Mrs Morgan will arrange refreshments.

The Demonstrator for next week's meeting having said she will be unable to come, the question of an alternative speaker was discussed. It was decided to ask the Rector if he would come & talk on "Ghosts."

The committee decided that it would be very nice to ask Mrs Rigg for the January meeting, on the suggestion of Lady Spickerwell; Kintbury D.I. is inviting Mrs Rigg for the 3rd Wed. in Jan. & we should share rail expenses etc. with Kintbury.

Miss H. Buckridge & Mrs W. Edwards kindly promised to arrange the ~~so~~ tea for next week's meeting.

Audrey E. Bonham-Carter
(Hon. Sec.)

Ethel Dence Oct. 9th 1945.

Committee Meeting

Oct: 9th 1945

A Committee Meeting was held at the Village Hall on Tuesday Oct: 9th Mrs Dince was in the chair & the following members were present: - Miss Lovelock, Miss Buckridge, Miss Steyn, Mrs Bradshaw, Mrs Schlesinger and Mrs Walter.

The Com Record of the previous committee meeting was read & signed & the County letter read & signed discussed. The hope being expressed that we might be able to get the musical members to participate in the Carol Party at Reading in December.

Arrangements for the October meeting were then discussed, Mrs Bradshaw very kindly offered to fetch Mrs Thorne from Hungerford who was coming to give a demonstration on Soft Toys.

Miss Lovelock was left in charge of the Social half hour & Mrs Cummins & Miss Fox were to be Tea Hostesses.

Mrs Dince announced that the Profits for the County Fund from the Whist Drive amounted to 30/-

Mrs Tye secretary of the "Thanksgiving Savings Week" for the Hungerford Rural District had written & asked the W.I. Savings Group to fix a Target for the week, but the Committee felt that as nothing else was being done in the Village it was rather useless to attempt to fix a W.I. Target.

Mrs Schlesinger very kindly promised articles for a Tumble Sale to raise funds for the County & the Committee hoped to arrange same towards the end of the year.

Ethel Dince

Nov: 13th 1945

Committee Meeting Nov: 13th 1945

A Committee Meeting was held at The Village Hall on Tuesday November 13th. Mr Druce presided and the following members were present - Mr Morgan, Mr Bradshaw, Miss Buckridge, Mr Edward & Mr Cummins.

The minutes were read & signed & the correspondence dealt with. Lady Spicknell had written to ask if two of our members would act as tellers at Kintbury's Annual Meeting on Nov: 21st. Mr Edwards & Mr Druce promised to go.

The ^{Miss Buckridge} Secretary read her report which she had very kindly undertaken to do out in Mr Bonham Curtis' absence & Mr Edwards gave us his financial statement. The committee fully approved both reports.

The plan for the Birth day Meeting had not materialised & the president had been unable to produce a speaker for the December meeting. The Committee asked Madam de Boissiere if she would kindly come & talk to us about France & she said she would come to our meeting & talk about French Village life. Mr Bradshaw promised to arrange ^{half-hour} Social.

A provisional date for the Stumble Sale was fixed Tuesday Dec: 4th. Helpers to be allowed to buy 15/- worth before Sale or one article if costly more.

The 1946 Programme was discussed

Ethel Druce Dec: 4th

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Minutes of Committee Meeting Dec: 4th 1945

A Committee Meeting was held at Eden Farm (by kind invitation of Mr Morgan) on Tuesday Dec: 4th.

Mr Druce presided & read the minutes of the previous Committee Meeting.

Members of the Committee present were Mr Bradshaw, Miss Buckridge, Mr Cummins, Mr Edward, Mr Hutchins, Miss Lovelock, Mr Morgan & Mr Walter.

The New Officers for the coming year were then elected as follows:-
Mr Druce (president), Mr Bradshaw & Mr Hutchins (vice presidents), Mr Bonham Curtis (Secretary), Mr Edwards (Treasurer), Mr Cummins (Stal), Miss R. Fox (Magazine), Reginald, Mr Percorne & Miss Lovelock (Competitions)

The County letter was then read & discussed & final arrangements made for the D.V. Sale. The committee agreed that it would be a good idea to advertise same in the Wokingham Weekly News. Mr Morgan very kindly said she would sign up & arrange for the advertisement.

any would arrive before

to be wanted.

The new programme was then discussed & finally drawn up. The president said the printer had estimated the price at \$10 to \$12, to which the committee agreed.

Arrangements for the December meeting will be a musical afternoon with Mrs. Pillsbury & the Competition. Best Xmas present for a child not costing more than \$1.00.

Ethel Dence 12:2:46.

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