

The Story of A Quilt. (continued).

April 29th, 1953

Much interest was taken in making the Talbotville W.I. quilt as a group project. The design consisted of pink, yellow, blue and purple morning glories with green leaves and trailing vines on a trellis, from original design by Mrs. C. Bawtenheimer (See picture.)

Those working on quilt in 1952 were,
Mrs. Clarence Bawtenheimer. (designer.).
Mrs. Harold Clarke (convener.).

Mrs. A. E. Thomas (committee member).

Mrs. Roy Turner (committee member).

Mrs. Harold Stuart. (secretary-treasurer).

Mrs. Walter Auckland

Mrs. Harry Humphries

Mrs. Frank Henderson.

Mrs. J. R. Auckland.

Mrs. James Travers.

Mrs. Wilson Young

Mrs. Charles Pangborn

Mrs. Charles Chute

Mrs. Fred. Helkaa

Miss N. Auckland.

Mrs. C. Dobbie

Miss Leila Stuart

Mrs. Victor Martyn.

Mrs. Wm. Busch

Mrs. Frank Parker



Quilted at home of
Mrs. Harold Clarke,
in April, 1952.

Lady Elgin Thanks W. I. For Quilt

A letter from Lady Elgin to Mrs. J. R. Fitcher thanking her for the quilt given her during Centennial Week, was read at the opening meeting of the Central Yarmouth Women's Institute, held Wednesday at the home of Mrs. P. N. Hillesheim. The Central Yarmouth W. I. were given the letter as a memento since it was their quilt which was donated to Lady Elgin.

April 29th, 1953.

Contributed to Tweedsmuir History - April 29th, 1953,
by Miss N. Auckland. Talbotville, Ont.

Canadian Themes In Quilt Contest

Sept. 13 - 1952
Over Sixty Women's Institute
Quilts Are Shown

TORONTO, Sept. 13. — Maple leaves in all their autumn glory, Ontario's native flower, the trillium, in woodsy settings, geographical outlines and human interest incidents were all pictured on the more than 60 hand-stitched, appliqued quilts on display at a tea held at the Salada Tea Company's clubrooms, King street, Friday.

All prizewinners in their respective districts, these quilts and many others were entered in a quilt competition sponsored by the company and adopted by the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario as their homecraft project last year. A total of about \$1,700 in prizes, varying from \$100 to \$5, induced keen competition between branches throughout the province.

Quilts were a group project, designed and executed by W.I. members designated by the branch.

Outstanding quilts in the display were two from Manitoulin Island, one a floral pattern, with the shamrock, thistle and rose, also the Manitoulin Island flower, the wild orchid, done on a white background, the other a map of the island in green on a blue background.

Another quilt featured Canadians of many national origins in native costume, centred by replica of the Parliament Buildings, with Peace Tower at Ottawa guarded by the R.C.M.P. Flowers of the Canadian provinces, centred by the Dominion motto, "From Sea to Sea," on white background, was quite effective. The W.I. motto, "For Home and Country," featured by rural settings, was the theme for several quilts.

Comical was a W.I. meeting, its members centred around a tea table beside a little coal stove exchanging the latest bit of rural gossip, to judge by the expressions on their faces.

Anna Lewis expressed the thanks of the W.I. branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture to the company and introduced judges. Audrey Spencer supervised arrangement of quilts. Prizewinners will be announced later.

Among tea guests was Mrs. A. B. McGorman, president of the Alberta Women's Institutes, where a similar project is being launched.



ONTARIO

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE BRANCH AND HOME ECONOMICS SERVICE

1207 Bay St.,
Toronto 5, Ontario,
August 21, 1951.

TO ONTARIO WOMEN'S INSTITUTE MEMBERS

Dear Fellow Members:

RE SALADA TEA QUILT COMPETITION

You will be delighted to know that the Salada Tea Company has generously offered cash prizes for a Quilt Competition to be held in 1952. This Salada Tea offer has been approved by your Provincial Board and coincides with rulings laid down by the 1951-53 Tweedsmuir Cup Competition. Quilts entered in the Salada Tea Competition will be eligible for entry in the F.W.I.C. Tweedsmuir Cup Competition.

Mr. R.K. Bythell of the Salada Tea Company of Canada Limited, has sent us the following letter:

"Dear Miss Lewis:

"Following our discussion it will be a pleasure to offer our sponsorship of the homemaking project to be carried out by the Ontario Women's Institutes in the 1951-52 season. This is to take the form of a quilt making competition. The competition will be in three progressive stages as follows:-

1. Districts

A \$10. prize will be awarded for the best quilt in each of your 109 districts. The quilts will be judged and the announcement of awards made at the district meetings to be held in May and June 1952.

\$1090.00

2. Convention Areas

All quilts winning prizes at the district level are to be submitted for competition in their respective convention areas. It is understood that meetings in the 13 areas will take place in September, October and November 1952. Announcement of prize winning branches will be made at the convention area meeting.

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| 1st prize | - \$15.00 |
| 2nd prize | - \$10.00 |
| 3rd prize | - \$ 5.00 |

\$390.00

3. Province

The 39 prize winning quilts in the convention areas will be exhibited at the annual board meeting of the Women's Institutes usually held at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, in November. Three Provincial prizes to the branch Institutes entering the provincial competition will be awarded as follows:

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| 1st prize | - \$100.00 |
| 2nd prize | - \$ 50.00 |
| 3rd prize | - \$ 25.00 |

\$175.00

"Total cost of the entire project to us is to be \$1655. We understand that competition rules will be prepared by you and submitted to us for final approval and that you will make your usual arrangements for judging.

"Announcement of the competition is to be made on or before September 1, 1951, and will be prepared at our meeting on July 25 for distribution at your discretion. As you have suggested, we think it is an excellent idea to have the announcement available at the ploughing matches. Incidentally, we will be only too pleased to supply the tea to be served at your tent during the ploughing matches if you will let us know approximately how many cups would be required.

"Many thanks for helping us to arrange this project. We do hope it will prove mutually beneficial.

Signed: R.K. Bythell,
SALADA TEA COMPANY OF CANADA LIMITED. (over)

Talbotville Women's Institute Picnic.
at home of Mrs. Clarence Bawtenheimer.
August - 1943.



Back row - Mrs. Harvey French, Mrs. Roy Olsen, Mrs. Anna Kelly,
Mrs. Mabel Downs, Mrs. Roy Turner, Miss N. Auckland,
Mrs. Ross Boothman.
Next row - Mrs. Sherman Dawdy, Mrs. Harold Stuart
Mrs. C. Cottell,
Mrs. Florence Dawdy, Mrs. E.C. Gilbert, Mrs. A. E. Thomas.
Mrs. Frank Henderson, Miss Helen Turner, Mrs. Carl Wheildon,
Pauline Kelly, Mrs. Archie Mc.Cormick, Miss Ruth Auckland, Mrs. Norman
Next row - Mrs. Harry Humphries, Mrs. Harry Lewis, ^{Milligan.}
Mrs. Estella Waite, Mrs. John Mc.Cormick, Mrs. John Auckland. ^{+ baby}
Front row - (children)

Dated at Talbotville, Ont.
Aug. 31st, 1943.

Father and Son Banquet.

Talbotville Hall, Mar. 16th, 1967.
(Auspices of Talbotville Women's Institute)
Guest Speaker. Rev. Harry S. Rodney
Knox Church, St. Thomas,
Ont.



Rev. A. R. Taylor.

Toast-master.



Rev. H. S. Rodney.

Guest-speaker.

March 17th, 1955. Address by Rev. Harry S. Rodney
St. Thomas, at Banquet in Talbotville by Women's
Institute.

Importance of Growing Up Stressed by Rev. H. S. Rodney

TALBOTVILLE, March 17 (Staff) —Just about the most important thing in life is to learn to grow up — and a lot of people go right through life without growing up. Rev. H. S. Rodney, minister of Knox Presbyterian Church, told those who attended Talbotville's First Father's and Son's Banquet, held in the lecture room of the United Church, Friday evening, with the Talbotville Women's Institute doing a grand job of catering.

Mr. Rodney said so many times you hear the expression in everyday life, even from children at play: "Oh, why don't you grow up!" And so many times, in these perilous days, a person felt like putting the same question to some of the so-called great men and world leaders. Often the behavior of delegates at the United Nations Assembly, the Russian delegates who stalked out like sulky children peeved over not getting their own ways, make one feel like saying: "Oh, why don't you learn to grow up?"

"Growing up is not just a natural, normal process," Mr. Rodney told his audience. "It takes a lot of thought a lot of will, a lot of time and a lot of practice to grow up. It isn't just physically growing up. It is growing up mentally and spiritually—growing up to be a man or a woman of worth and dignity and integrity."

Mr. Rodney was introduced by Rev. Angus Taylor, minister of the Talbotville United Church, and chairman and toastmaster, with the thanks of the gathering ably tendered Mr. Rodney by Reeve Walter Auckland of Southwold.

The toast to the Fathers was eloquently proposed by Albert Auckland and brought a witty response from James Gunning, Norman Brokenshire excelled himself in proposing the toast to the Sons, with a masterly reply by Robert Taylor, youthful son of Rev. Angus Taylor.

The musical setting and interlude for the program was provided by Hal Stuart's orchestra while Ralph Auckland had charge of the spirited singsong with Arnold Bates, director of the St. Thomas Youth Choir, at the piano.

An Irish Setting

There was a distinctly Irish environment for Mr. Rodney and the guests, with the hall and tables brightly decorated in honor of St. Patrick and March 17. Although smoking in a United Church is prohibited, much to the disappointment of Presbyterians and Anglicans, there were cut-out pipes as well as blackthorn canes and top hats with paddv green boys in the decorative scheme.

In learning to grow up, a person must have faith and confidence in himself without being conceited or egotistical. Mr. Rodney advised. A person must know his different selves and endeavor to develop the good selves that are in him and not let the bad selves dominate his life. So often a sort of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde dual personality in human beings was revealed. They would do brave and courageous things and then turn around and do rascally and dishonest things.

"No man has ever amounted to anything who didn't believe in himself," Mr. Rodney said. "You must believe in your ability to be worthwhile. . . . Don't let anybody take away your dreams or disillusion you. Don't let anybody shatter your ideals. Dream your great dreams and make them become realities."

He told young people to wish for the best things in life—wish for the things they wanted to become and wanted to do. He related the old fable about the giraffe who got his long neck from wishing and wishing that he could reach the tempting foliage far above his head.

Mr. Rodney related his own case. He didn't think any person had ever started out wishing for college and university with less than he had after leaving high school; but he wished and wished and the result was that his wish came true, almost unbelievably. He was taken to the home of a man he had never met before and that man, learning of his great ambition, financed his college education.

"So keep on wishing for the things you want to do or want to be and some day you will make it," he said. "Don't get cheap and shoddy ideas. Have a high opinion of yourself without being conceited."

Central Control

Finally, Mr. Rodney told his audience, and particularly the younger members of the audience, to get a central control in learning to grow up. They needed a centre of life for guidance and direction, for ballast and balance.

"We need some type of compass to guide us in our moral standards," he declared. "We need something to guide us in recognizing right from wrong. We need a great feeling for democracy. We need a feeling that life is a trust imposed in us, to which we must give our best. We need a great and sustained belief in God's goodness. We need a great belief in world brotherhood."

He suggested that life today is a challenge to young people—a challenge to learn to grow up and make the world a better place than it has ever been before.

Even the combined menus and program, cleverly designed and prepared by the members of the Talbotville Women's Institute, carried the St. Patrick's Day motif. The decorations brought compliments from Mr. Taylor, the chairman.

The thanks for the splendid meal prepared and served was received in behalf of the Institute by Mrs. Thomas.

As Mr. Rodney remarked in opening his address, the fathers and sons at the function varied greatly in ages, with sons in attendance older than some of the fathers, but the father and son spirit prevailed, just the same. As Albert Auckland described it: "A fellowship that nothing can destroy." Norman Brokenshire's toast was to the "sons who will carry on where Dad leaves off."

The piano accompaniment for the singing of "O Canada," which brought the delightful program to a close was played by Mrs. Fred Helka.



REV. HARRY S. RODNEY

Guest speaker
at banquet.

April 28th., 1954

"DAFFODIL TEA"



The members of
Talbotville Women's Institute
cordially invite you and your
friends to attend their
DAFFODIL TEA

in Talbotville Church Hall, on Wednesday, April 28, 1954
from 2:30 to 5:30 P.M.

Aprons Novelties Home Baking

- - - Bring a Friend - - -

THE WEATHER

Apr. 28th., 1954.

Today in St. Thomas is overcast and mild. Noon temperature, 46; high yesterday, 68; low last night, 42.

Probs for Lake Erie region: Cloudy today with sunny intervals this afternoon; Thursday, sunny; a little warmer Thursday; winds northeast 15, becoming light by evening; light tonight and Thursday; low tonight and high Thursday at Windsor 35 and 65; St. Thomas and Toronto, 35 and 60; London, 30 and 60. Summary for Thursday: Sunny, warmer.

Daffodil Tea

At Talbotville

Apr. 28th., 1954.

Spring Tea and Bazaar Held by
Women's Institute

TALBOTVILLE. — The members of the Talbotville Women's Institute were at home to their many friends of the community and neighboring Institutes when they entertained at a "Daffodil" Spring Tea and Bazaar recently in the Church Hall.

A profusion of golden daffodils and other spring flowers in the tea-room was suggestive of the springtime, and each guest was presented with a daffodil corsage or registering. Over one hundred guests called during the afternoon, and were welcomed by Mrs. Walter Goold, president of the Talbotville W. I. branch, and later signed the register for Mrs. James Travers and Mrs. Frank Henderson.

Callers were present from Middlemarch, Central Yarmouth, Union, River Road, London, Payne's Mills, Boxall, South Yarmouth, McBride's, Frome, Yarmouth Centre, St. Thomas, Sparta, North Yarmouth, Iona Station, Port Stanley and Lawrence Station. A pleasant time visiting and renewal of friendships was spent in the cheery tea-room, with soft music provided by Mrs. Ralph Auckland.

The tea-table, covered with a hand-made lace cloth, was lovely with an arrangement of spring blossoms in a low crystal bowl and tall crystal candelabra with lighted tapers. Tea was served from small tables arranged throughout the room, and guests were invited by Mrs. A. E. Thomas, while Mrs. H. Stuart arranged the tea pourers. Those

pouring tea during the afternoon were: Mrs. Stanley Lyle, West Elgin, district president; Mrs. J. McKenzie, of Central Yarmouth W. I.; Mrs. Bruce Smith, of North Yarmouth W. I.; Mrs. John McNiven, of Middlemarch W. I.; Mrs. E. Shelley, South Yarmouth W. I.; Mrs. Fred Bogart, Lawrence Station Kensington Club; Mrs. Gordon Lyle, Payne's Mills W. I.; Mrs. Chester Voaden, Talbotville W. A.

Those in charge of the tea-tables were Mrs. Harold Clarke, Mrs. Walter Goold, Mrs. Elmer Auckland, Mrs. Charles Pangborn, Mrs. Clarence Bawtenheimer, while Mrs. Wilson Young arranged the serving by a group of young ladies. Those serving were Mrs. Clarence Bawtenheimer, Mrs. Charles Chute, Mrs. Gilbert McCallum, Mrs. Kenneth Abbott, Mrs. Donald Stuart, Miss Leila Stuart, Mrs. Ralph Auckland, Mrs. John Catherall. Others assisting were Mrs. James Gunning, Mrs. Frank Auckland and Mrs. Mason Abbott.

In the bazaar section the home-baking was sold by Mrs. J. R. Auckland, Mrs. Walter Auckland, Mrs. Roy Wallis and Mrs. Wm. Dodd. A novelty table was in charge of Miss N. Auckland and Mrs. John McCormick. Aprons were sold by Mrs. Frank Henderson, Mrs. Roy Turner and Mrs. William Chrysler. "Touch and Take" parcels were sold by Mrs. Clifford Dobbie and Mrs. William McKinnon. Mrs. Victor Martyn was in charge of sale of plants and shrubs.

A satisfactory sum was realized to add to the funds to carry on the various projects of the branch. The annual grandmothers' meeting will be held in May in the Church School Hall when all grandmothers and other friends are cordially invited. Roll call will be answered by bringing and introducing a grandmother.