

Grande Prairie Women's Institute

Record of Minutes

1924 - end of 1928

ALBERTA WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

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Name of Institute Grande Prairie Women's Institute

Date of Organization Sept 28, 1924

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Grande Prairie Women's Institute

On September 28, 1924 nine women met with Mrs. Beaubier, the Provincial President and Mrs. Stewart, Director for the Northern Division to discuss the forming of a branch of the Women's Institute in Grande Prairie.

Moved by Mrs. Jones, seconded by Mrs. McQuarrie that an Institute be formed in Grande Prairie.

The following officers were elected:

President - Mrs. C. Graban

1st vice " - Mrs. Thompson

2nd vice " - Mrs. Patterson

Secretary - Mrs. L. B. Yule

Treasurer - Mrs. Percy Jones

Board of Directors

Mrs. A. McQuarrie

Mrs. Shields

Mrs. Bell

Moved by Mrs. Graban, seconded by Mrs. Patterson that the name of the Institute be The Grande Prairie Women's Institute.

Moved by Mrs. Graban, seconded by Mrs. McQuarrie that the Institute meet on the first Thursday of every month beginning Nov. 6, 1924

Mrs. Graban offered to act as Hostess for the next meeting.

Thursday, Nov 6, 1924

The President opened the meeting by reading the creed.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Eight new members were enrolled.

Move by Mrs. Thompson, seconded by Mrs. Jones, that Mrs. F. Roberts act as director in place of Mrs. Shields who is moving away.

The following committees were appointed:

Program Committee

Mrs. Doran – convenor

Mrs. J. Thompson & Mrs. L.B. Yule

Visiting Committee

Mrs. D. Thompson & Mrs. Fish

Moved by Mrs. Yule and seconded by Mrs. J. Thompson that Mrs. Jones act as convenor of the flower committee and take charge of the money.

Mrs. A. Forbes and Mrs. D. Patterson were elected auditors for the coming year.

Moved by Mrs. Bell and seconded by Mrs. Jones that a letter of sympathy be sent to Mrs. Reevely.

The question of holding a tea to raise funds was brought up but nothing definite was decided.

Mrs. Graban and Mrs. Yule were delegated to look into the case of Ronald Carruthers and if necessary report it to the proper authorities.

Mrs. Thomson reported the case of the Martelle child at Goodwin who is badly in need of an operation for a hair lip. Mrs. Thompson was asked to communicate with the parents to find out if they were willing to let the Institute take the matter up.

The meeting closed with the singing of the national anthem after which tea was served.

Mary A. Graban, Pres.

December 4th, 1924

Meeting opened with reading of Creed. Minutes were read and approved.

It was decided to let the matter of Ronald Carruthers stand until further investigation could be made.

Report of Visiting Committee

Mrs. Fish reported visiting Mrs. Mills and Mrs. Graban.

Mrs. Graban read and explained the program for the year as drawn up by the Program Committee.

The Subject of Demonstration Course was brought up. It was decided to ask for a Sewing course and the Secretary was instructed to notify Mrs. Clubine of the Lake Saskatoon Institute of our choice, and to add that if possible we would like a demonstrator who could teach basketry as well as the majority of our Institute members prefer basketry.

Moved by Mrs. Bell , seconded by Mrs. Jones that the correspondence be properly filed – carried.

It was decided to meet at the President's on Friday evening to make paper flowers.

Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie, seconded by Mrs. Doran that accounts totalling \$1.65 be paid – carried.

i.e. J A James – 125

C. Butchart – 40 Total 165

Moved by Mrs. Doran, seconded by Mrs. Bell that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting closed by singing the national anthem.

Ethel B. Roberts, Sec. P. Tem.

Mary A. Graban, Pres.

Wednesday, Jan. 7th, 1925

Meeting opened at 8:30 p.m. Mrs. F. Roberts was appointed to act as Secretary pro tem during the absence of the Secretary.

Reading and approval of the minutes of the last regular meeting. Reading of Creed.

The Treasurer reported a total of \$4.50 in the General Fund & 95¢ in the flower fund. Moved by Mrs. Reavely, seconded by Mrs. Bell that the Treasurer's Report be adopted as read. Carried. The Treasurer was instructed to buy a proper account book. Mrs. Lance Smith donated a file for the use of the Treasurer.

Moved by Mrs. Reavely, seconded by Mrs. Hacking that the President call a meeting for Tues night Jan. 13th to organize a Home Nursing class. Mrs. Reavely rescinded the motion. It was decided not to undertake this matter & to leave the matter in the hands of Miss Hibbs.

Moved by Mrs. Hacking, seconded by Mrs. Jones that we hold a tea on Saturday, Jan 17th. Mrs. Hacking rescinded the motion.

Moved by Mrs. Doran, seconded by Mrs. Lance Smith that all members contribute the sum of fifty cents toward the fund for the operation on the Martel child.

Roll call of officers answered by maxims.

Mrs. Fred Smith gave a number of delightful piano selections & Mrs. Reavely gave a series of interesting current events.

Moved by Mrs. Bell that we adjourn. Meeting closed at 10:10 p.m. with the singing of the national anthem.

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At an executive meeting held immediately after the regular meeting, it was decided to hold the Feb, March & April meetings in the evenings instead of the afternoons.

Mary A. Graban, Pres.

Ethel B. Roberts, Sec. Pro tem

Thursday, Feb. 5th, 1925

Meeting opened at 8:15 p.m. with the reading of the Creed.

Reading and approval of the last regular meeting.

The Treasurer reported the sum of \$10.75 in the General Fund and \$2.00 in the Flower Fund. Moved by Mrs. D. Patterson, seconded by Mrs. McQuarrie that the Treasurer's report be adopted as read. Carried.

Mrs. Fish, convenor of Sick Committee, reported visiting Mrs. Lance Smith and Mrs. C. Graban. Mrs. McQuarrie and Mrs. Graban were appointed to act on the Visiting Committee for the next two months.

Moved by Mrs. Thomson, seconded by Mrs. Jones that we make paper caps and sell them at the next hospital dance. Carried. Mrs. F. Roberts, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Reavely, Mrs. D. Patterson, Mrs. Fish, Mrs. Forbes and Mrs. Cunningham volunteered to aid in making the caps.

Move by Mrs. Thomson, seconded by Mrs. Wishart, that we put on a play, selection and date to be left to the following committee: Mrs. F. Smith, Mrs. Hacking and Mrs. D. Patterson. Carried.

The roll call of members was answered by quotations from great men. There were fifteen present.

Recess for a few moments.

A biography of Abraham Lincoln, written by Mrs. Yule, was read by Mrs. Hacking. Miss Viola Carter gave a delightful reading.

Moved by Mrs. Hacking, seconded by Mrs. Thomson that a bill of 35¢ for an account book at James' Drug Store be paid. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Thomson ~~seconded~~ that we adjourn.

Thursday, April 2, 1925

Meeting opened at 8:15 with the reading of the Creed.

1st Vice President Mrs. J. Thompson occupied the chair, the President being absent through illness.

Minutes of previous meeting were read & approved.

The Treasurer reported the sum of \$54.06 in the General Fund. Ten dollars of this being talent money made by the President alone and 29.75 from the sale of fancy paper caps at hospital dance. In the Flower Fund the Treasurer reports (transcriber note: missing text?) Moved by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Hacking that the Treasurer's report be adopted as read - carried.

Mrs. Fred Smith gave a delightful talk on the life and works of Franz Schubert, illustrated by piano selections from his work. Miss Norine Harmer sang two of Schubert's famous songs very delightfully.

Letters from Miss Macmillan asking for information as to number of women farming on their own in the district and from Mrs. McGregor Smith, on the resolution submitted by FWIC on Home Economics with regard to establishing a Home Bureau at Ottawa were read.

The committee reported on the play selected to be put on. Mrs. Reavely & Mrs. Yule were appointed directors for the play and they, along with the committee who had selected the play, were to pick out suitable persons to take the different parts.

Moved by Mrs. Hacking, seconded by Mrs. Patterson that the Institute take up the matter of the musical contest for the Grande Prairie District and put up a shield for the winning chorus. The winning group also to be taken to Peace River to enter the musical festival there about May 24. The contest is to consist of group singing in one & two parts and solo singing.

Moved by Mrs. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Forbes that it be left to the executive to find out particulars about the shield and to order a suitable one.

Three new members were added to the roll.

Moved by Mrs. Bell that we adjourn.

Mary A. Graban, Pres.

Bessie R. Yule, Sec.

May 3, 1925

The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. L.B. Yule.

Meeting opened at 8:15 with the reading of the Creed.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Moved by Mrs. Patterson, seconded by Mrs. Reavely that the Sec act as Treasurer during the absence of Mrs. Jones.

The Treasurer's Report was read & approved.

Moved by Mrs. Yule that the play and musical contest be put on the night of May 20, and that a dance be put on afterwards – seconded by Mrs. McQuarrie. Moved by Mrs. Bell that the appointment of judges for the contest be left to Mrs. Smith and Mr. Yule.

Moved by Mrs. Bell that part of the proceeds from the entertainment be given to Board of Trade to help defray expenses of delegates – carried.

The Executive reported that a shield had been ordered thru Mr. Watcher for the winning chorus. The shield will cost in the neighbourhood of ten dollars.

Correspondence was read by Sec. re: the sending of a delegate to the convention but no action was taken as we will get the report through Mrs. Clubine.

Roll was called. Owing to an epidemic of sickness among children the attendance was very low.

Moved by Mrs. Fish, seconded by Mrs. Reavely that we sell tickets for the concert and that the bills be paid by the executive, also that final arrangements be left to the executive.

Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie that we adjourn.

The meeting closed at 10.

M.A. Graban, Pres.

B.R. Yule, Sec.

A special meeting of the Institute was called for Monday, May 6, to make arrangements for the class in Basketry which was to be held June 4, 5 and 6 under Miss Lillie.

Moved by Mrs. Yule, seconded by Mrs. Reavely, that the necessary reed be ordered by the Secretary and that an extra supply be ordered in case the class was larger than 20.

Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, that the classes be held from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 on the dates set.

Mrs. Lawlor and Mrs. Yule were appointed to make arrangements for a place of meeting and for suitable tables and chairs.

Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie that we adjourn.

M A Graban, Pres.

B R Yule, Sec.

Friday, June 12, 1925

The meeting opened at 3:40 with the reading of the Creed.

Minutes of the previous meeting & also of special meeting were read & approved.

Report of concert and dance read by Mrs. Graban. The total proceeds being \$127.40 out of which \$50 was given to Board of Trade. After all expenses were paid there remained \$21.40 which was added to the General fund.

Report on expenses etc of basketry class were read. It was found that while there was quite a bit of reed on hand five baskets were still unfinished and more reed of no. 1 and no. 3 would be needed which the Secretary was instructed to order. There being \$4.53 on hand, having been paid for reed.

The subject of continuing the class was brought up for discussion. Moved by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Jones that the class be continued in the evenings until all reed on hand was used.

The Secretary was instructed to report to Moyers the unsatisfactory condition of the tray bottoms sent. ~~and to order the reed.~~

The Treasurer reported \$93.83 on hand in general fund. 95¢ was added to flower fund. Moved by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Wishart, that the Treasurer's report be adopted - carried.

Moved by Mrs. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Wishart, that a letter of thanks and appreciation by sent to Miss MacMillan, especially commending Miss Tillie on the excellent work accomplished by the class and on her capable management of the class. Also, that letters of thanks be sent to Dr. Forbes for donation of \$10 and to Mr. King for use of his room for the class.

Mrs. Bell was instructed to find out from Mrs. Clubine when it would be convenient for the GPWI to take a picnic out to her farm and to hear from her a report of the convention.

Three new members were added to the roll. Mrs. Lawlor, Mrs. Pearsey and Mrs. J. McPhee.

Roll call - 9 members present.

The September meeting which was to have been held at Mrs. Forbes' was changed to Mrs. Jones' house, Mrs. Reavley assisting.

B.R. Yule, Sec.

Mary A. Graban, Pres.

A Special Meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. P.V. Clubine, the constituency convenor on June (transcriber note: rest of date missing).

The meeting opened with the reading of the Creed.

A report on the convention held in Edmonton was read by Mrs. Clubine.

Moved by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Thompson, that five dollars be voted to the Secretary to buy stamps. ~~And~~

Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie, seconded by Mrs. Jones that the Secretary order stationery with letterhead given name of Institute and officers if it could be secured at a reasonable price.

A vote of thanks was offered Mrs. Clubine for her kindness in giving us the report and also for her hospitality.

The meeting closed with the singing of the national anthem after which the hostess served a delightful lunch.

B R Yule, Sec.

Mary A. Graban, Pres.

Thursday Sept. 3rd

The regular monthly meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Percy Jones on Thursday, Sept 3rd at 3.30 p.m.

Nine members were present.

The meeting opened with the reading of the Creed.

The Secretary read the report for the June meeting and the special meeting held at Mrs. Clubine's. These were adopted as read.

The Treasurer reported \$94.23 on hand in bank, also a cash donation of 50¢ and another of \$2.00 bringing the total to \$96.73.

Mrs. Meade was enrolled as a member which added another 25¢.

\$1.95 was reported in Flower Fund.

Mrs. Bell was appointed delegate to the constituency conference at Wembley Sept 23.

A letter from the Department referring to the resolution to be brought up at the constituency conference regarding the question of domestic home helpers in rural districts and whether the dept.'s could not further same plan to fill this need. Our delegate was instructed to vote in favor if this question came up.

The question of the Martel children was brought up. Mrs. Graban reported that Father (blank) seemed to think we would have to give up the idea of helping the child as the father did not seem willing to cooperate. As money had been raised & donated for this objective it was decided that some explanation was due from the institute.

Moved by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Reavely that the secretary be instructed to explain to the public by this operation had not been performed and to ask Father (blank) to add a note also.

Moved by Mrs. Yule, seconded by Mrs. Thompson that if this child did not (illegible) we donate \$25 towards something to be used in furnishing the nurses' home.

Other correspondence was read by the Secretary from Mr. Hockey, sec of the hospital board, granting our request for a 1.50 rate for the Martel child.

Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie that we adjourn – carried.

Bessie R Yule, Sec.

Mary A. Graban, Pres.

Sept. 9 A special meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Graban.

Meeting opened with reading of the Creed.

President reported successful operation on one Martel child and also reports that the other child is in the hospital.

Dr. O'Brien arrives and reports on condition of Amanda – his fee will be only \$40.00. He advises operation on Tootsie on receipt of parent's consent.

Moved by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Reavley that sec'y be instructed to write to parents reporting on child.

Moved by Mrs. Thompson, seconded by Mrs. Bearsey that bill for underwear etc be paid.

Matter of presentation of shield won by school children discussed, Mrs. Graban to arrange details with Mr. Smith.

Donation of clothes for Martel children discussed. ~~On was~~ Anyone having anything to donate to leave it with Mrs. Graban.

Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie that we adjourn.

Mary A. Graban, Pres.

Oct. 1, 1925

Meeting opened at 3.40 with reading of Creed.

Minutes of previous & special meeting read and approved.

Secretary read a letter from the Treasurer, Mrs. Jones, containing her resignation as she is leaving town. Mrs. Jones' resignation was accepted and Mrs. A. McQuarrie appointed for the remainder of the year.

The Treasurer's report showed \$33.65 in general fund and \$3 in flower fund, but the ~~cheque~~ bill for \$34.50 due the hospital had not been paid. After this bill was paid our balance would be practically nil.

Ways & means of raising money were discussed. It was decided to hold two silver teas in the near future.

Mrs. Bell our delegate to constituency conference read her report. She also reported that the question of capital tax was discussed. Miss MacMillan advised having the Secretary write to Mrs. Rogers for a ruling.

Moved by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Cunningham that Mrs. Bell's report be adopted. Carried.

The roll call being current events some interesting items were read.

The question of members leaving for other towns was discussed. The sec was instructed to write to the Institute in the town to which our member went so they will automatically become a member of the other institute.

Moved by Mrs. Patterson that we adjourn.

Mary A. Graban, Pres.

Bessie R. Yule, Sec.

Nov. 5, 1925

Meeting opened at 8.15 with reading of the Creed.

The Secretary's report was adopted as read.

The Treasurer reported a total of 36.42 on hand from proceeds of tea and Bridge. Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie, seconded by Mrs. Patterson that the report be adopted – carried.

The Secretary read correspondence regarding paying of capital tax for each member to Provincial Fund. Moved by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Wishart that this be done – carried.

Moved by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Thompson that Mrs. Roberts be appointed auditor in place of Mrs. Forbes who has moved away.

Roll call – current events, after which an interesting talk on “What a child can be taught before he goes to school” was given by Mrs. Clifford and enjoyed by everyone.

Moved by Mrs. Patterson that we adjourn – carried.

Mary A. Graban

Bessie Yule

Dec. 3, 1925

The annual meeting of the GPWI was held at the home of Mrs. C.H. Graban.

The meeting opened with the reading of the Creed.

Secretary's report was adopted as read.

Treasurer reported \$29 on hand. Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie, seconded by Mrs. Thompson, that Treasurer's report be adopted - carried.

The Secretary read her report for the year and moved its adoption. Mrs. Patterson seconded the motion.

The Treasurer read her report for the year and moved its adoption - carried.

Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien that \$5 be sent as a donation to the Constituency Fund - carried.

Election of officers took place:

President Mrs. Graban was reelected for 1926 by acclamation

1st Vice President Mrs. J. Thompson

2nd Vice " Mrs. Cunningham

Secretary Mrs. L.B. Yule

Treasurer Mrs. McQuarrie

Directors Mrs. Spicer, Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Bell

Auditors Mrs. Gold, Mrs. Harrington

Four new members were added: Mrs. Gold, Mrs. Pearsey, Mrs. Harrington and Mrs. Spicer

Roll call - Christmas suggestions. 16 members present

The questionnaire re: Home Bureau Service was read. It was decided to ask for a course in Serving as first choice and Basketry as second choice, to be held either the first week in July or last week of June.

Mrs. Thompson was appointed convenor of program committee with Mrs. ~~O'Brien~~ Bell and Mrs. Yule.

Mrs. McQuarrie and Mrs. Yule were appointed to arrange for a Christmas box for Tootsie Martel.

Mary A. Graban, Pres.

Kate Mead, Sec. Pro tem.

Jan 7th 1926

The regular monthly meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Thomson.

Eleven members were present with Mrs. Clubine of Lake Saskatoon as a very welcome visitor.

Meeting opened with reading of the Creed, each member reading a verse.

Treasurer reported \$16.03 on hand. Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie, seconded by Mrs. Cunningham that the Treasurer's report be adopted - carried.

Mrs. Thomson reported that the Program Committee had met; arranged for the year 1926.

Mrs. Graban read a Resolution from the W.I. of Olds objecting to the Community Property Act.

Mrs. Bell suggested that the Paper be discussed at the next meeting.

A letter was read from Mrs. Martel thanking the W.I. for their kindness.

Mrs. Bell read a very interesting paper on Canadian authors.

Mrs. Clubine was asked to speak & read a paper on the origins of Canada which was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Harrington moved the meeting adjourn.

Mary A. Graban, Pres.

Kate Mead, Sec. Pro tem.

Feb. 4th, 1926

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Lance Smith on Thursday, Feb. 4th at 8 p.m.

The meeting opened with the reading of the Creed.

Mrs. McQuarrie presented the Year Books which were beautifully done by herself.

The Secretary read the report for the January meeting. It was adopted as read.

The Treasurer reported \$21.53 on hand in the bank. Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie, 2nd by Mrs. Bell that the report be adopted – Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Lance Smith that we should have a Rest Room during Carnival week. Seconded by Mrs. Fish. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Thomson, seconded by Mrs. Cunningham that Mrs. Graban be appointed to go to Calgary as delegate; with Mrs. McQuarrie as alternative. Carried.

Mrs. D. Patterson read a paper on the Legal Status of Women of Alberta which was very much enjoyed by all.

The Roll Call was answered by current events.

There were 12 members present with two visitors, Mrs. Christie and Mrs. Benson.

Mrs. Christie & Mrs. Benson at the end of the meeting consented to join the Institute.

Mrs. McQuarrie moved we adjourn.

Bessie R. Yule

Mary A. Graban, Pres.

March 3, 1926

The regular month meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. L.B. Yule on Thurs March 3 at 8 pm.

The meeting opened with the reading of the Creed.

Owing to illness of president, Mrs. J. Thomson, vice-president, occupied the chair.

The Secretary read the report of the Feb. meeting which was adopted as read.

The Treasurer reported 48.08 on hand, 22.25 from sale of caps.

Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie, seconded by Mrs. Bell that this report be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Harrington, seconded by Mrs. Yule, that bills amounting to 4.40 for crepe paper for caps be paid - carried.

Mrs. Harrington gave a very interesting and instructive paper on English authors, which was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. McQuarrie moved a vote of thanks to Mrs. Harrington, seconded by Mrs. Cunningham.

Roll call - 7 present.

Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie that we adjourn.

Mary A. Graban, Pres.

Bessie R. Yule

Tues. March 30

A special meeting of the executive was called to consider the question of making up hampers for the new settlers coming in on April 2nd. A letter from board of trade was read, asking that we take up this matter and suggesting certain things for hampers.

6 loaves bread

2 lbs. bacon

2 lbs. sugar

1 tin milk

1 tin jam

1 pound cheese

1 pound butter

$\frac{1}{2}$ pound tea

Moved by Mrs. Thompson, seconded by Mrs. Cunningham that we do what is necessary in regards to the getting ready of hampers.

~~Moved~~ ✓

Moved by Mrs. Yule, seconded by Mrs. Thomson that what articles we do not get donated be taken out of our funds. Carried.

The sec read a letter from Dept of Health asking that Olive Martel be moved from the hospital as the Bill already was \$361 and they were only allowed \$200 for each case.

Secretary was instructed to write Dept telling them the child had gone home. The letter to be filed. Moved we adjourn. Mrs. Bell, seconded Mrs. Cunningham.

Thursday April 8, 1926

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. F B Smith.

The meeting opened with the reading of the Creed.

The secretary read the reports of the regular March meeting and of the special meeting of the Ex. held March 30.

These were adopted as read.

Mrs. Bell reported of hampers packed for the four families of settlers.

Three new members enrolled.

Four other fees were paid in.

The Treasurer, being absent, and there having been no disbursements or any change since last meeting, her report was dispensed with.

Moved by Mrs. Harrington, seconded by Mrs. Bell, that we adjourn our business meeting. Carried.

The President then handed the meeting over to Mrs. F.B. Smith who in her delightful manner gave a resume of the lives of Franz & Clara Schumann, illustrated by selections from his works.

His earlier compositions were illustrated by some of Mrs. Smith's pupils.

Later Mrs. Smith favored us with Nonettellon Sonata in G minor, Traumerai Sherza and Rhondo Movements and Nacht Stuchie.

A group of vocal duets which characterized his various classes of vocal music were given by Mrs. Norine Harmer and Mr. Gard.

Miss Harmer also sang "The Walnut Tree" and Mr. Gard "Two Grenadiers". Both of which were much enjoyed.

A hearty note of thanks was given to Mrs. Smith and those who assisted her, after which lunch was served.

One dollar was added to flower fund.

Signed Bessie R Yule

Mary A Graban

May 6

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. W. Cunningham.

The meeting opened at 8.15 with the reading of the Creed.

The Secretary read the report of the April meeting which was adopted as read.

The Secretary reported \$45.03 on hand.

Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie, 2nd by Mrs. Thomson that the report be adopted. Carried.

The President brought forward a request from Mr. Pratt on behalf of the Board of Trade that we provide a lunch for the Cabaret Dance to be held on May 18 by that organization. Moved by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. L. Smith that the President report to Mr. Pratt that we feel it unwise to undertake this work at this time.

Moved by Mrs. Harrington, seconded by Mrs. McQuarrie that a note of sympathy be sent to Mrs. Rogers, the Provincial Secretary, who recently lost her son by drowning.

The Secretary then read the correspondence re: Miss Mosey's (sp?) visit to conduct a sewing class in June.

Moved by Mrs. Thompson, seconded by Mrs. Fish that Mrs. Gold be appointed delegate in case Mrs. Graban was unable to attend. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Thompson that \$40 be allowed to our delegate. Carried.

Roll call – 21 present.

Mrs. Clifford gave a very interesting talk on her trip over the train to Grande Prairie twenty years ago, also some early interesting anecdotes of pioneer days, illustrated with snap shots. Mrs. Harmer moved a vote of thanks to Mrs. Clifford, seconded by Mrs. Judson.

The President reported a misunderstanding on the part of certain members of Board of Trade regarding the Institute's providing hampers for settlers. On member of B of T, having remarked that the Institute had fallen down on their promise to provide hampers, which is not the case. The sec was asked to write and correct this mistake.

Move by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Harrington that we adjourn. Carried.

Bessie R Yule

Mary A Graban

Thursday June 3

Meeting opened at 8.20 with the reading of the Creed.

The Secretary read the report of the May meeting which was adopted as read.

The Treasurer, being absent, no report was heard from her.

Moved by Mrs. Yule, seconded by Mrs. Cunningham that a committee be appointed to arrange for the presentation of the Frederick's Cup, which was won by the Grande Prairie children at the Festival at Peace River.

The following committee was appointed: Mrs. Yule, Mrs. Gold and Mrs. Harrington. It was suggested that a concert might be held in the hall with a fee to be charged - proceeds of which are to go towards a musical library for the chorus.

The matter of the Demonstration Course in Sewing was brought up. The hours of 2 to 5 in the afternoon and 8 - 10 in the evening were decided on. Mrs. Harrington and Mrs. Christie were appointed to make arrangements about the hall, also chairs, tables & machines.

Mrs. Bredin gave an interesting talk on "The Romance of Pioneering" which was much enjoyed.

Owing to the lateness of the hour and the fact that a good many of our members were absent it was decided to hold a meeting on June 17 at the house of Mrs. F. Smith to which the Wembley W.I. would be invited to hear our delegates report of the convention.

The meeting adjourned at 10.30.

Sec. Bessie R. Yule

Special Meeting June 17

A special meeting of the G.P.W.I. was held at the house of Mrs. F. Smith on Thur. June 17 at 8.30 PM.

The meeting opened with the reading of the Creed.

The object of the meeting was to hear the report of our delegate to the convention at Calgary.

Mrs. Graban brought back a very full and interesting account of the convention which was enjoyed by all.

A committee was appointed to select a suitable play and to assign the characters to the most suited to them.

Moved by Mrs. Spicer, seconded by Mrs. Harrington that we put on a play this fall with part of the proceeds to go towards a musical library for the school chorus. The following committee was appointed:

Mrs. Davis Convenor

Mrs. Spicer

Mrs. Harrington

Mrs. Yule

The meeting adjourned and the remainder of the evening was given over to singing of chorus brought back from Home Economics lecture by our delegate.

Mrs. Smith added to the evening's enjoyment by playing one or two selections.

A special meeting of the Executive was held at the home of Mrs. G.A. Graban on July 2.

The meeting was called to discuss the possibility of the Institute undertaking the hospital expenses of Mrs. Eismann during her stay there after an operation which Dr. O'Brien advised our President was very necessary to her health. He offered to perform the operation free of charge.

Moved by Mrs. Thompson, seconded by Mrs. Spicer that the amount necessary be taken from the fund named for Lee Iseman family by donation as the father being home this fund was not needed for food.

The President reported \$3.00 prize money won for the float, all of which went towards expenses together with a donation of \$1.00 to cover expenses which were \$4.00.

Bessie R Yule

Sept 2, 1926 3.30 PM.

The regular monthly meeting of the Institute was held at the home of Mrs. C H Bell – 11 members being present.

The meeting opened with the reading of the Creed. The Vice-President, Mrs. Thompson, occupied the chair ~~for~~ as the President was unable to be present until 4.30.

The Secretary read the report of the June meeting, also of the special meeting June 17 and the special Executive meeting July 2. These were approved as read.

The Treasurer reported a balance in the bank of 8.93.

Letters were read from Mrs. Eismann thanking the Institute for the assistance given to herself and family, also from Mrs. M. Cameron, Sec. Flying Shot W.I. thanking us on behalf of Mrs. Hodges for assistance given her family at the time of the death of their daughter in the local hospital.

Mrs. Harrington was appointed delegate to the Constituency Conference at Wembley Sept 23.

The Secretary reported that Miss Murphy was sending some plays for our consideration as nothing suitable was found here.

Mrs. Graban gave a report of the disposal of money raised by permission of executive for Eismann family. Total 52.60.

Amount raised	52.60
Spent for food	24.45
Hospital bill	17.00
Mr. Wishart	2.50
On hand	8.65

Given to Hodges family, 8.65, plus 1.35 donation from Donald Innes, making a total of \$10.

Mrs. Graban & Mrs. Yule reported the sending of a poster with snap shots illustrating the work of G.P.W.I. to Toronto Fair.

Mary A. Graban, Pres.

Bessie R Yule

Evening Committee – for dance

Mrs. Spicer - coffee, Mrs. Graban

Mrs. Patterson Mrs. Davis

Oct. 7, 1926

The regular monthly meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. W. Pearcey on Thursday, Oct 7 at 8 PM.

The meeting opened with a reading of the Creed.

The Secretary read the minutes of the Sept meeting which were approved as read.

The Secretary reported that several plays had been sent from the Dept, also an explanation of the delay in sending these.

A letter from J.G. Third, Sec of Teachers Convention was read, asking the W.I. to cater at a banquet to be held on Wed. Oct. 20 for the convention. Also to serve supper at the dance on Oct. 21 in the school.

The meeting voted in favor of taking up this work and the following committees were appointed:

Convenor Mrs. Wishart

Kitchen Committee Mrs. McQuarrie

Mrs. Davis

Mrs. Cunningham

Table Committee Mrs. Harrington

Mrs. Gold

Mrs. Turner

Mrs. W. Pearcey

Soliciting Mrs. Yule Mrs. Christie Mrs. Graban Mrs. C. Pearcey

Moved by Mrs. Harrington, seconded by Mrs. Davis that we ask 75¢ a plate for the banquet and 25¢ for the supper after the dance.

Roll Call – current events

Mrs. Bell, who attended the Constituency Conference as delegate in place of Mrs. Harrington, who was not able to attend gave a very full and comprehensive report of the conference. She reported the Convenor of standing committees as follows:

Child Welfare & Public Health Mrs. E. Gillespie

Immigration Mrs. J.E. Thomson

Education Mrs. Casselman

Legislation Mrs. Hugh Allan

Home Economics	Mrs. J.D. McNaughton
Agriculture	Mrs. Herman Trelle
Publicity	Mrs. Clubine
National Events & Colonization	Mrs. W. Walker

Mrs. T. Lawlor then gave an interesting talk on "Food for the Sick", which was both entertaining and instructive.

Mrs. Bell moved a vote of thanks which the meeting heartily endorsed.

The meeting adjourned at 10.30, after which tea was served by the hostess.

Mary A. Graban

Ena B. Bell, Sec'y Pro Tem

Nov. 4/26.

The regular monthly meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Mead on Thursday, Nov. 4, with 12 members present.

The meeting opened with the reading of the Creed.

The Sec'y read the minutes of the previous meeting which were approved as read.

The Treasurer reported as follows:

Cash rec'd since previous meeting - \$89.80	\	Proceeds of banquet & caps
" Paid out " " " - 16.75	/	Expenses
Bal. on hand from Banquet & Dance	73.05	
" " " " Flower Fund	1.40	
Total on hand	_____	Report adopted - Carried

Moved by Mrs. Christie, 2nd Mrs. Spicer, that Secy send a note of thanks to Mr. Lyne & Mr. Wishart for their kind assistance at in carving & draying for the Banquet & Dance. (carried)

Moved by Mrs. Smith, 2nd Mrs. Mead, that the W.I. give Mrs. Yule \$5⁰⁰ to pay for stamps, stationery and telegram, 95¢ which she had paid from her own pocket.

A personal letter to Mr. Yule from the Dept of Education re: a deaf girl from Beaver Lodge, Fay Jefcoat, was read and a vote taken to refer this matter to Institute at Lower Beaver Lodge, and find out what action they are prepared to take in this matter.

Moved by Mrs. Christie, 2nd Mrs. Keyes, that we appropriate \$10⁰⁰ to provide chairs for the hospital (carried).

Moved by Mrs. Bell, 2nd Mrs. Smith that Mrs. Christie & Mrs. Graban be com to purchase chairs (carried).

The roll call followed, answered by current events, then we had some community songs led by Miss Keys at the piano.

The event of the evening was a spelling match captained by Mrs. O'Brien & Mrs. Christie. The winner, Mrs. Cunningham, was the recipient of a beautiful bouquet of roses, presented by the President.

The meeting adjourned at 10 pm after which tea was served by the hostesses.

Ena B Bell, Secy. pro Tem.

Mary Graban Pres.

Dec 2/26.

The annual meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Graban on Thurs. Dec. 2nd at 8 pm with the President in the chair and 17 members present. The meeting opened by the recitation of the Creed.

The Sec'y read the minutes of previous meeting which were approved as read.

Mrs. Christie reported that chairs for hospital had been purchased and submitted bills in connection as follows: J.B. Oliver (chairs, 9.50), Crummy Bros. (??? .70). Moved by Mrs. O'Brien, 2nd by Mrs. Harrington, that same be paid; carried

The Treasurer reported paying bills to the amt of \$6.25 and a balance on hand of \$79.23. Report adopted. A bill from L.C. Porteous for 15¢ was presented. Moved by Mrs. Harrington, 2nd by Mrs. Patterson that as this bill did not apply to W.I. it be returned.

The Sec'y read a communication from the Dept. Agriculture asking what Demonstration course would be preferred. On taking a vote, the choice stood: 1st Basketry; 2nd Sewing, and the time, about the last week in June.

Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie, 2nd by Mrs. Harmer, that our branch pay \$15 to Prov. Fund. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Harrington, 2nd by Mrs. J. Patterson that we send a donation of \$5 to Constituency Convenor Fund. Carried.

Then followed reading of minutes of annual meeting held Dec 3/25, which were approved as read.

Mrs. Harrington gave the auditors report which was to the effect that the Financial Statement according to Treasurer's Book were correct.

Treasurer's annual report, 2nd by Mrs. Wishart. Carried.

The Roll Call was responded to by Xmas hints.

Nominations for officers followed:

The President, Mrs. Graban – re-elected by acclamation

First Vice-Pres – Mrs. Cunningham “ ”

2nd “ Mrs. Spicer – Mrs. Wishart; Mrs. Wishart elected

Secy. Mrs. L.B. Yule (by acclamation)

Treas. Mrs. J. Harrington (“ ”)

Directors Mrs. Spicer, Mrs. J.E. Thomson, Mrs. C. Bell

Auditors Mrs. J. Patterson, Mrs. Christie

Program Comm Convenor: Mrs. Davis; Mrs. Judson, Mrs. Bell

Moved by Mrs. Bell – 2nd Mrs. Innis, that the Executive be allotted \$5.00 to provide Xmas treats for any needy family. Carried.

Meeting adjourned, after which tea was served.

Mary A Graban, Pres.

Bessie R Yule, Sec.

Jan 6 1927

The regular monthly meeting of the GPWI was held at the home of Mrs. A. McQuarrie on Thurs. Jan 6 at 8 pm with 11 old members and three new members present. The meeting opened with the recitation of the Creed.

The Secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting which were adopted as read.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$44.03 on hand. A bill for 1.50 for flowers and 70 cents express and cartage was presented. Moved by Mrs. Bell, 2nd by Mrs. Wishart that these be paid – carried.

The resolution regarding Home Helpers which we were requested by the Prov. Sec. to consider was read. Moved by Mrs. Harrington, 2nd Mrs. Spicer that Mrs. Whalen be asked if she would consider taking up this course of instruction.

The Secretary read a communication from the Department of Health asking if our institute was thinking of holding a Baby Clinic and giving explanation re: same. Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie, 2nd Mrs. Harrington that the Sec. be instructed to write to the Dept of Health requesting that arrangements be made for a baby clinic to be held in Grande Prairie – carried. Moved by Mrs. Wishart, 2nd Mrs. Cunningham that a prize be given for the most perfect baby – carried.

The President reported donation of clothing from Mrs. Evans to be given to a needy family. Mrs. Christie was appointed to visit two families who were reported as being in need of assistance.

Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie, seconded by Mrs. Christie that the Institute donate a year's subscription of The National Geographic to the Grande Prairie Public School – carried. The sec. was instructed to carry out the motion.

Three new members were enrolled.

Mrs. Christie read an interesting article "The Kingdom of Happiness".

The meeting adjourned after which tea was served.

A letter of thanks from Mrs. Clubine for flowers sent her by the Institute was read.

Mary A Graban, Pres.

Thursday Feb 3

The February meeting of the W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. J Thomson at 8 pm. The meeting opened with the reading of the Creed.

The Secretary read the report for the Jan meeting which was adopted as read.

Mrs. Harrington reported that Mrs. Whalen would be willing to take the Home Helpers course providing the work would not be too strenuous.

Mrs. Davis, convenor of program committee reported programs printed & delivered.

Roll call - 17 present.

The questionnaire from the Federated Institutes of Canada re: Home Products was discussed and an affirmative answer given to each question.

The Treasurer reported bills paid: Flowers for Mrs. Clubine, 2.25; Geographical magazine, 3.57

A bill from Butcharts for 80¢ was presented. Moved by Mrs. Judson, 2nd Mrs. Wilson that same be paid.

Mrs. Christie reported seeing Everett Family and buying meat at Lynes for 40¢, bill to be sent. Moved by Mrs. Harrington, 2nd Mrs. Cunningham that same be paid - carried.

Hospital Committee for Feb: Mrs. Christie, Mrs. Harrington; March: Mrs. Thomson, Mrs. Bell

Community singing.

Mrs. Donald Patterson read a paper on "Stories of Our Hymns" which proved very interesting. The following hymns were given: "Faith of Our Fathers", "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go", "O God Our Help in Ages Past", "O Worship the King", "Dear Lord & Father of Mankind"

Community singing "Nearer My God to Thee"

Moved by Mrs. Harrington, seconded by Mrs. Patterson that the Institute provide a rest room during Carnival Week. Mrs. Christie & Mrs. Wishart appointed to our Carnival Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Wishart, 2nd Mrs. Davis that the Secretary communicate with country institutes informing them of rest room.

Sec & Pres look after advertising.

One new member was added to the roll.

Meeting adjourned.

Mary A Graban, Pres.

March 3, 1927

The regular monthly meeting of the W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. L.B. Yule on Thurs March 3.

The meeting opened at 8.20 with the reading of the Creed.

The Secretary read the report of the Feb meeting which was adopted as read.

Mrs. Wishart reported that it had been impossible to secure a suitable room for a rest room during Carnival Week.

The Visiting Committee reported having visited three women in the hospital.

Mrs. Storm read an interesting and instructive paper on "The Relation Between Home & School. Moved by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien that the paper given by Mrs. Storm be printed in the local paper. A vote of thanks to Mrs. Storm was moved by Mrs. McQuarrie.

The President reported that she had been approached re: our donating a shield to the Musical Festival to be given to the winner of the competition for School Orchestras. Mrs. Graban reported that the executive had expressed themselves as favorable to their request. Move by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Harrington that a shield costing not more than twelve dollars be donated to the festival. Mrs. Bell & Mrs. Yule were appointed as committee for purchasing shield. The sec was instructed to write to the Sec of the Festival association advising him of the decision of the meeting.

The Secretary read a letter from Miss Helen Bromley re: a formation of a Girls Club in connection with the W.I. Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie, seconded Mrs. Cunningham, that the town is over-organized now with Girls clubs & that we do nothing at present towards organizing a Girls club.

The matter of a delegate to the Convention was brought up. Moved by Mrs. Judson, seconded by Mrs. Wishart, that we send a delegate to convention at Edmonton. Mrs. Bell was named as our delegate with Mrs. Christie second and Mrs. Cunningham third in case Mrs. Bell could not go.

Roll call - Hobbies. 17 old members and five new ones present, for a total of 22.

Meeting adjourned after which tea was served.

Mary A. Graban, Pres.

Bessie R Yule

April 8, 1927

The regular monthly meeting of the W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. C.H. Graban. The meeting opened with the reading of the Creed.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported balance of \$49.21 in bank and \$3.20 in Flower Fund.

The committee appointed to buy shield reported that a suitable shield could not be purchased under \$16, which was \$4 more than was allowed. Moved by Mrs. Christie, 2nd by Mrs. Smith, that \$4 more be voted to go toward shield for festival – carried.

Mrs. Bell reported for sick & visiting committee. Two visits to hospital.

Letter from Mrs. Clubine asking for a donation of 50¢ for gift to Mrs. Rogers at provincial convention. Moved by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Madsen that this be given – carried.

Correspondence – A letter from Miss MacMillan telling of a suggested course of studies for children of pre-school age to be obtained from Miss Montgomery at the University Extension Library. Also from Olds Agricultural School re: Extension Library.

The President brought up the matter of raising of funds. Moved by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Thompson, that a tea and bridge be held after Easter, the details of arrangements to be left with Executive to be arranged later – carried.

Mrs. Bell asked who was to have given the paper at our next meeting & asked to have her date exchanged with someone else as she was to be busy & would also have report of delegate to give in June.

Roll Call – favorite old song. 24 old members present and three new ones welcomed: Mrs. Gard, Mrs. Roach, Mrs. Sutherland. There were also several visitors among them. Miss Graham who recently returned from China.

After the business was completed Mrs. F.B. Smith took charge of the meeting and a most delightful evening was enjoyed. Mrs. Smith's subject being "The Influence of Women in Music with Illustrations, vocal and instrumental. Assisting her were Miss Noreen Harmer, Mr. Gard, Mr. Pickard. Mrs. Smith also favored us with two of her own compositions.

Moved by Mrs. Judson that a hearty vote of thanks and appreciation be extended to Mrs. Smith and those who assisted her.

The meeting closed with the singing of "God Save the King" after which tea was served.

Mary A Graban, Pres.

Bessie R Yule

Thurs. May 5

The regular monthly meeting of the W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. LG O'Brien. The meeting opened with the reading of the Creed.

The minutes of the April meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$85.81 in the general fund and \$5.30 in flower fund. \$33.00 was reported as proceeds of tea and bridge.

Mrs. Thomson reported on a case of want which had been attended to with clothing donated and food to the value of five dollars having been purchased at Crummy Bros. Moved by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Thomson that this bill for food be paid.

The following bills were presented: for flowers and express, 1.95; for cards - prize at bridge, 1.00; for score sheets at James, 0.45; total 3.40. Moved by Mrs. O. Kenney, seconded by Mrs. A. Wilson, that these be paid.

Moved by Mrs. J. Patterson, seconded by Mrs. A. Wilson, that \$40 be voted to our delegate to the convention for expenses.

A letter from Mrs. Trout was read thanking the Institute for their donation of a year's subscription to the "National Geographic" magazine which had been given to the school.

The President brought forward the question of a Publicity Convenor who would write up the meetings for the press - also to give our society and its activities more publicity. Moved by Mrs. O'Brien, seconded by Mrs. Cunningham that Mrs. Madsen be asked to act as Publicity Convenor.

The President also brought up the idea of trying to beautify in town by planting of trees. The Secretary was instructed to write to the Experimental Farm at Indian Head for information necessary.

Resolutions from different constituency conferences were read and our delegate instructed how to vote on them at the convention.

Roll call - 16 members present. Mrs. Clubine, our constituency convenor, was a very welcome visitor.

The meeting adjourned.

A very interesting and instructive paper on "The Early History of Baking" prepared by Mr. Spicer was read - after which tea was served.

Mary A Graban, Pres.

Thurs. June 2, 1927

The regular monthly meeting of the Grande Prairie Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Madsen, the President Mrs. Graban in the chair and fourteen members being present. Meeting opened with Creed, after which the minutes of May meeting were read and approved. Mrs. McQuarrie acting as Secretary during absence of Mrs. Yule.

Treasurer then read her report, showing receipts and expenditures since beginning of year; balance to our credit in bank now totaling \$20.86.

A discussion followed in regard to tree planting in our town. Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie, seconded by Mrs. Harrington, that Mrs. Graban and Mrs. Madsen be appointed a committee to interview the Town Council at their next meeting to ascertain their views in regard to helping the Institute prepare the ground and plant trees. It was felt that the ground should be prepared this year for good results and trees ordered in advance for next year's planting. After the committee interviewed the Council the Executive would deal with the matter.

Correspondence was read. One letter was from a lady in McLennan, thanking members for interest and kind attention shown her while in hospital.

The coming course in Basketry was then discussed. Mrs. Eager and Mrs. Christie were appointed a committee to see about obtaining a suitable hall for the course and to make arrangements for necessary tables, stove, water, etc.

The course is to be from June 20 - 22, from 2 - 5 and 7 - 9 pm each day. The Secretary was instructed to see that the necessary posters and notices were posted around town.

Visiting committee reported two calls on sick people at hospital and Treasurer reported sending baby spoon to Mrs. Lawlor.

The report of the delegate to Edmonton Convention was given and a vote of thanks rendered Mrs. Bell for her interesting rendering of report. Mrs. Bell also returned \$5.00 of sum given her for expenses and distributed considerable literature brought up from convention.

Roll call - 14 present, topic current events.

Collection \$1.00

Tea was served by Mrs. Madsen, assisted by Mrs. Stewart - Irvine and Mrs. Eagar.

M. McQuarrie, Acting Sec'y.

Mary A Graban, Pres.

Monday, June 13, 1927

A special meeting of the W.I. was held at the home of the Pres. Mrs. Graban at 8 pm. Seven members were present.

Business – A communication from Mr. Roache on behalf of the Jubilee celebration; \$35.00 to be allowed to furnish coffee and lemonade free to children at Fair Grounds from 4 – 7 pm on Friday.

Moved by Mrs. J.E. Thompson, 2nd by Mrs. Harrington that we accept Mrs. McInnis' offer of her services for Friday afternoon at \$3.00 and we serve at the celebration.

The following prices submitted by Morrisons:

Coffee - 50¢ per lb.	5.00
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Lemonade – 300 in case	9.00
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Cream - 3 cans for 1.00	1.00
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Sugar – 50 lbs.

Mrs. Thomson to see about oil stove.

“ Harrington, bring her stove.

“ Wishart to see about coffee, ice water.

“ McInnis to take boiler for coffee.

“ Roache to help at picnic.

Constituency conference program brought up and questionnaire answered.

Mary A Graban, Pres.

M. McQuarrie

Thursday Sept. 1, 1927

The regular monthly meeting of the Grande Prairie W.I. was held Thurs. Sept 1st at the home of Mrs. A. Wilson, after a two months recess. Meeting opened with reading of the Creed, after which the Sec'y's report of June meeting, also report of special meeting on 15th June were read and approved. Sec'y also reported on Basketry demonstration which was held June 20 - 22, in Speke Hall. Sixteen persons had taken the course & expenses met and recd paid for. Sec'y had reported on the Demonstration to Miss McMillan and received her recommendation on same.

President reported on Bills rec'd and paid re Fair Jubilee Celebration at Fair Grounds, as follows:

Rec'd from Town Council		\$20.00
Paid Thomson Hdwe Co.	.40	
" James Drug Store	.50	
" Morrison's Grocery	8.50	
" Mr. Wishart	1.00	
" Mr. Smith - Ice	1.00	
" Mrs. McInnis	3.00	<u>14.40</u>
Leaving a Balance of		\$ 5.60

Treasurer read her report, balance in Bank amounting to (transcriber note: left blank)

Correspondence followed re: Tree Planting and Convention. The Convention is to be held at Wembley Sept. 28. Mrs. McQ being appointed Delegate for same. We were asked for cakes for the luncheon & Mrs. McQuarrie, Mrs. J.E. Thomson were to provide same and were at liberty to ask Mrs. Harrington, Mrs. Kenny & Mrs. Wilson, should more be needed.

Tree Planting The Sec'y was asked to write Mrs. Mary Thompson, Bear Lake and other nurseries to ascertain prices on trees suitable for town planting. We would need approximately 70, being 11 to a block.

In the absence of Mrs. Madson, her paper on Canadian authors was read by Mrs. Judson. It dealt principally with the life and works of Mrs. Adam Beck of Victoria.

Roll call was called, topic being "Quotations from Great Men". Nine (9) members were present and Mrs. Law joined.

Next meeting will be at Mrs. Kenny's. Meeting then adjourned, after which Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Harrington & Mrs. McQuarrie served refreshments.

M. McQuarrie, Acting Sec'y

Mary A. Graban

Oct. 6/27

The regular October monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. O. Kenny. The meeting took the form of a children's party, most of the members being garbed accordingly.

The meeting opened at 8.15 with the reading of the Creed.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$34.41 in the bank and \$7.15 in flower fund.

The Secretary read a letter from Mrs. M. Thompson saying she had Manitoba Maples 5 feet high at 15¢ each.

Moved by Mrs. Thompson, seconded by Mrs. Kenny, that the Secretary order seventy Manitoba Maples at 15¢ to be delivered in Spring.

The President brought forward a request from Hospital Dance committee that we sell caps as at previous dances – it was decided not to attempt making caps this year.

Mrs. McQuarrie, our delegate to the Constituency Conference gave a very full and interesting report of the meeting.

Roll call – my first recitation

Sec. instructed to see Dr. Carroll re: his paper for next meeting. If he was not prepared Mrs. J. Thompson would give her paper on Immigration.

The meeting closed after which refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mary A Graban, Pres.

Bessie R. Yule, Sec.

Nov 3, 1927

The regular monthly meeting of the W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. Lance Smith on Thurs Nov. 3 at 8 pm.

The meeting opened with the recitation of the Creed.

The Secretary read the report of the Oct. meeting which was adopted as read. The Treasurer reported a balance of \$34.41 in the bank.

The question of trees for street planting was again brought up by the President who explained that the trees decided on at last meeting were not suitable. She had in the meantime been approached by a man from Estevan Nurseries and had his price list and a list of suitable trees.

Moved by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, that the motion passed re: trees at the Oct meeting be rescinded. Moved by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Thompson, that Sec. order 50 trees of North West poplar at 15¢ each to be delivered in Spring.

Letter from Mrs. Clubine was read and discussed.

Moved by Mrs. Harrington, seconded by Mrs. Keyes, that Mrs. Smith be approached re: her going out as our delegate.

The following Program Committee was appointed:

Mrs. McQuarrie

Mrs. Judson

“ Bromley

“ Nelson

Mrs. D.L. McPhee appointed auditor in place of Mrs. Christie.

The question of raising funds was brought up.

Moved by Mrs. D.L. McPhee, seconded by Mrs. Law, that we hold a Burns Night on Jan. 29

Mrs. Nelson read an instructive paper written by Dr. Carroll on Diet in relation to Dentistry.

Moved by Mrs. McQuarrie, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, that a vote of thanks be extended Dr. Carroll.

The meeting adjourned after which tea was served by the hostesses.

Mary A. Graban, Pres.

Dec 1st, 1927

The meeting opened at 8.30 with the reading of the Creed.

Minutes of the Nov meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bell reported for the Hospital Committee. She also brought up the case of Irene Lavalee who is in the Red Cross Hospital in Edmonton. She is unusually bright but is getting no teaching in reading, writing, etc. The Secretary was instructed to write to Edmonton Red Cross re: the education of these crippled children.

The following Program Committee was appointed to look after the program for Burns Night concert: Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Laws, Mrs. Keyes.

Mrs. McQuarrie was asked to arrange for theatre for that night.

The question of a demonstration class for 1928 was discussed and the following choices made:

1. Home Decoration
2. Time and Labor saving devices
3. Scientific grouping of kitchen equipment

Mrs. Yule & Mrs. McQuarrie were appointed to the Hospital Committee for Dec.

The minutes of the Annual meeting of Dec 2/26 were read and approved.

The Treasurer gave the yearly financial report.

Receipts	177.83
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Disbursements	<u>141.59</u>
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Balance on hand	\$36.24
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The Program Committee Convenor, Mrs. McQuarrie, read the program for 1928. Moved by Mrs. Patterson, seconded by Mrs. Harrington, that the report be adopted.

Moved by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Kenney, that 50 cents be sent to the Provincial Treasurer for each of our members.

Election of Officers

President	Mrs. J. Thompson
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1 st Vice	"	Mrs. Bell
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2 nd Vice	"	Mrs. Wishart
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Treasurer	Mrs. Nelson
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Secretary	Mrs. McQuarrie
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Directors	Mrs. D. Patterson, Mrs. A. Wilson, Mrs. Yule
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Auditors Mrs. Graban, Mrs. Keyes

Moved by Mrs. Yule, seconded by Mrs. A. Wilson, that \$5 be voted to Secretary for stationery & stamps.

A hearty vote of thanks was extended to the retiring President, Mrs. C.H. Graban who had carried the work on so successfully since the formation of the Institute in 1924.

The meeting adjourned after which Mrs. Smith and Onah Harrington gave several delightful piano forte and vocal solos, after which lunch was served.

Jan. 5, 1928

The regular monthly meeting of the G.P.W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. A. Wilson. In the absence of a Pres the Vice-Pres, Mrs. Bell occupied the chair. We much regret to report on the small numbers present, nine members and one visitor.

Minutes of Dec meeting were read and approved. None of the concert committee were present, but a report was given on rent of theatre for concert. The rent for evening would amount to \$35.00, with light in addition. This, together with orchestra, floor wax & tickets, etc. would mean a minimum of at least \$65.00. The general feeling was that this price was too high and the concert idea was accordingly abandoned. It was moved and seconded by Mrs. Yule & Mrs. Bromley, that instead we put on a card party on Burns night, Jan. 25th, with a short program and a Scotch lunch.

Committees as follows:

Convenor, Mrs. Yule, who would look after hall and program.

To solicit refreshments - Mrs. Bell & Mrs. McQuarrie

To look after coffee, ice, water & kitchen - Mrs. Wishart & Mrs. Bromley

Washing dishes, etc. - Mrs. Wilson & Mrs. Nelson

Refreshments to consist of scones & cheese, fruit cake, shortbread or oatcakes

The former Sec'y reported writing to Dept regarding education for crippled children in hospitals but has rec'd no reply as yet.

Owing to our being without two important officers - namely President and Treasurer; the two recently appointed having refused the appointments, it was felt we should again have an election of officers for these two positions. Accordingly, on a motion by Mrs. Bromley, 2nd by Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Yule was elected Pres for the present year. Moved by Mrs. Wishart, 2nd by Mrs. Nelson, that Mrs. Graban be Treasurer for present year.

A most excellent paper was read by Mrs. Storm on the life of Robert Burns. This paper showed so much thought and study that it is a pity there were not more present to hear it. The roll call was responded to by quotations from Burns.

Mrs. Wilson served tea, assisted by Mrs. Bromley.

M. McQuarrie, Secy.

Jan. 21, 1928

A special meeting of the Card Party Committee was held at the home of Mrs. Yule to discuss matters pertaining to this affair.

We were asked to obtain five lots of scones of three dozen each; two lbs. Kraft cheese; sugar; two lbs. coffee; four lots of short bread, sixty each; 2 fruit cakes and two quarts of cream. We also arranged to get ice and water; and were offered chairs from the S.A. Hall.

Later. Owing to the Bonspiel, the crowd was smaller than at first anticipated but it was much enjoyed. The program was excellent and lunch highly recommended.

Proceeds were 36.75

Expenses - 8.25 (Rent \$7.00, Prize 1.25)

Total Profits 28.50

Prizes were, for whist, a pack of cards in case; for bridge, a bridge set donated by Mrs. Bell. Consolation prizes were donated by Mrs. Yule & Mrs. McQuarrie.

Pres.

M. McQuarrie, Sec'y.

Feb 2, '28

The regular monthly meeting of the G.P.W.I. met at the home of Mrs. Yule; 14 members and two visitors being present. Meeting opened by reading the Creed and Sec'y report was then read.

The following bills were passed for payment: Croken's for cigarettes for men in hospital, \$1.00; on motion of Mrs. Patterson, 2nd by Mrs. Wilson, who also moved that Hospital Committee be empowered to make any such small purchases as they deem necessary at time of visit.

Moved by Mrs. Wishart that Mrs. Bromley be appointed Director.

Moved by Mrs. Wilson that Mrs. Nelson be appointed Auditor.

The Roll Call was answered by naming our nationality.

Mrs. J.E. Thomson read a paper on Immigration which was much appreciated; Mrs. Bell moved a hearty vote of thanks for same.

A discussion followed on ways and means of earning money for Institute. Mrs. Wishart was appointed a committee to see the Carnival committee re: catering to mixed Bonspiel.

Mrs. Storm read the speech given by Mrs. Rogers of Fort Sask at the convention in N.S.

Meeting adjourned and tea was served by hostess, assisted by Mrs. McPhee & Mrs. Bell

M. McQuarrie, Secy.

March 1, 1928

The March meeting of the G.P.W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. McQuarrie; Mrs. Yule, the President, presiding.

Meeting opened with the Creed after which Sec'y read minutes of last meeting. Bills for daffodils for Mrs. Judson; cigarettes for hospital & stationery at Butcharts had been paid. Minutes were approved as read. The Treasurer having been absent for some weeks, had no March report to offer.

The Roll Call was answered by "A Garden Visit". There were 25 present; 18 members and 7 visitors. Mrs. Dixon was welcomed as a new member. Dues & fees amounted to \$3.40.

A letter was read from Mr. Sawyer, from the local branch of the Canadian Legion, asking one of our members be appointed to join meet their committee, in regard to a suitable memorial for men who died during the war. Mrs. Yule, on motion of Mrs. Bell, was appointed on this committee.

A letter was read from Miss Elizabeth Clarke of the Public Health Dept regarding clinics. Moved by Mrs. Patterson, 2nd by Mrs. Spicer, that we write Miss Clarke, asking that a nurse be sent to conduct a Baby Clinic; also a Home Nursing and First Aid Class, of three days each; at the time they send up a nurse to other parts of this country. Carried.

A letter was read regarding a Committee on Immigration, to meet the incoming settlers and see to their needs. Mrs. Grabar (convenor), Mrs. F. Roberts and Mrs. Bell were appointed to look into these matters.

A letter was read from Mr. Newton to the effect that Mr. Albright wishes to give a lecture on tree planting and shrubbery on or around March 17. Sec'y was instructed to advise Mr. Newton that we would be pleased to have this lecture, provided Mr. Albright could arrange it on a date which would not conflict with other affairs; and that Mr. Newton make the necessary arrangements; the secretary to arrange advertising.

Miss Bromley, who was present, gave a talk regarding Girls Clubs.

Mrs. Clubine, the Constituency Convenor, was present and gave a paper on Miss Jessie Montgomery's course of study of the child of pre-school age.

The April meeting, being the musical evening by Mrs. Smith; it was moved by Mrs. Thomson, 2nd by Mrs. Graban that we make a charge of 25¢ and allow non-members to be present. Carried.

After a discussion over ways and means of increasing our financial standing, it was moved by Mrs. Graban, 2nd by Mrs. Bromley, that we each take a dollar and multiply it as often as possible before the May meeting, telling our experiences same in verse.

Mr. House was then introduced and gave an interesting and instructive talk on Insurance. He was given a hearty vote of thanks.

Meeting adjourned & tea was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Wishart & Mrs. Nelson.

M. McQuarrie, Secy.

March 28 The regular meeting of the G.P.W.I. met at Mrs. Graban's a week earlier than usual, on account of a concert arranged for the night of the April meeting. There were 15 members present and one visitor, who later joined our society. Meeting opened as usual with the Creed, after which the Secretary's report was read.

The Treasurer then gave her report from first of year, showing a bank balance of \$47.80.

The President spoke of a needy case, which various members had visited and presented bills for fruit (1.30) and washing for family. Moved by Mrs. O'Brien, 2nd by Mrs. Thomson that these bills be paid. Carried.

Correspondence read from Mr. Sawyer re: soldiers memorial and it was moved by Mrs. Bell, 2nd by Mrs. Graban that the President offer as a suggestion from our Institute, that the memorial take the form of a bed or furnished room in the new hospital. Carried.

Mrs. F. Smith had kindly offered to put on a musical concert in aid of our Institute. It was moved by Mrs. Patterson, 2nd Mrs. Wishart that we advertise this to be held Apr. 5, in the basement of the United Church and make a charge of 50¢, teenage children 25¢. Carried.

Correspondence was read re: film "End of the Road", sponsored by Mrs. Arthur Murphy. Moved by Mrs. Graban, 2nd by Mrs. McQuarrie that Mrs. Yule and Mrs. Storm interview Mr. Michaels in regard to showing the picture and make any arrangements regarding same.

Mrs. Wishart and Mrs. Dixon were appointed Visiting Committee for April.

In the discussion over our trees, it was moved by Mrs. McQ, 2nd by _____, that Mrs. Graban be appointed Convenor, to appoint her own committee and have full power to act as seemed best in regard to having these planted. Carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Thomson, 2nd Mrs. Bromley, that we ask the various organizations in town for their cooperation in tree planting in future years. Carried.

Meeting adjourned, to meet in May at home of Mrs. D. Patterson.

M. McQuarrie, Sec'y.

May 3 The May meeting of the G.P. Women's Institute was held at Mrs. D. Patterson's home, 18 members being present. One new member, Mrs. Morrison, was welcomed. Meeting opened by repeating Creed, after which Sec'y's report was read.

The Treasurer reported a bank balance of \$75.81. Mrs. Yule reported in regard to film "End of the Road", Mr. Michaels not being in favor of showing this film unless we guarantee the expenses in connection. This was left in abeyance.

Mrs. Graban reported on committee meeting in regard to Capt. Dancy; the meeting to be in the theatre Monday afternoon and all arrangements being left with the Elks. Mrs. Dixon - on Hospital Committee, reported one visit.

Mrs. Graban, as Convenor of Tree Committee, reported on engaging Mr. Watson to take charge of planting at rate of 75¢ per hour. The Town Council being willing to give services of two men to help. Mrs. Graban had also got 50 stakes cut for \$1.00.

Mrs. Patterson reported on Baby Clinic. 50¢ for boy for (? , illegible), 1.25 for draying. Mrs. Bromley moved, Mrs. Keyes 2nd, that these bills be paid. Carried.

Correspondence was read re: delegate; the resolutions were voted on and one delegate instructed how to vote on same.

Mrs. Law reported from the W.M.S. with a view to securing accommodation for girls and women on incoming trains. Mrs. Law moved, Mrs. Graban 2nd, that a committee be appointed to see about having placards put up in hotels and depot or other suitable places, giving phone numbers and addresses when accommodation can be secured, provided hotels are full.

Mrs. Roberts to act as Convenor and Mrs. Yule to act on Committee. Carried.

Mrs. Bromley reported a destitute case in country, asking assistance for same.

Mrs. Nelson gave an interesting paper on "How we can improve our schools".

Mrs. Graban moved, Mrs. Bromley 2nd, that we send a plant to Mrs. Fish, who is ill. Carried.

Our talent money was then collected as follows:

Mrs. Patterson	3.00	Mrs. Thomson	5.00	Mrs. Wishart	2.50
" A. Wilson	3.85	" Graban	7.00	" McQuarrie	5.65
" Bromley	4.00	" Nelson	2.20	" Yule	4.00
" Keyes	5.50	" Dixon	2.00	" Law	3.00
" Morrison	2.25	" I. Nelson	1.00	" Barley	1.00
" Fish	1.00	" Bell	2.00	Total	54.95

Meeting adjourned, after which hostess served tea, assisted by Mrs. Eager & Mrs. Thomson.

M. McQuarrie, Secy.

June 7 The G.P.W.I. met at home of Mrs. Stewart-Irvine, 15 members being present.

Meeting opened as usual by repeating the Creed, after which Sec'y read minutes of last meeting.

A letter was read from Mrs. Graban, tendering her resignation as Treasurer, also as Convenor of Tree Committee. This was regretfully accepted. Mrs. Bell moved, Mrs. Patterson 2nd, that a letter of thanks for her past services be sent to the retiring Treas. Carried. Mrs. Bell moved, Mrs. Wilson 2nd, that Mrs. Bromley be elected new Treasurer. Carried.

Letter from Mrs. Fish was read, acknowledging with thanks, a plant sent her while ill.

Treasurer's report was read showing a bank balance of approximately 35.00. The following bills were passed for payment: plant for Mrs. Fish, 1.00; Mr. Watson, for planting trees, 15.00.

Moved by Mrs. Wishart, 2nd by Mrs. Wilson, that Sec'y write Dept of Agriculture and obtain information regarding obtaining trees at (? illegible) expense.

Owing to the fact that our delegate was unable to reach the convention at Calgary, through illness, several members read extracts from newspapers regarding convention. Hospital Committee to consist of Mrs. Bell and Mrs. J.E. Thomson.

The Roll Call was answered by Indian names and their meanings.

Mrs. Bromley moved, Mrs. Keyes 2nd, that a letter of thanks be sent the Town Council, particularly to Mr. C. Dunlop, for their cooperation in our tree planting.

Meeting adjourned, to meet in Sept at Mrs. Lance Smith's.

Tea was served by hostess, assisted by Mrs. Keyes and Mrs. F. Roberts.

M. McQuarrie, Secy.

Oct. 4. The October meeting of the G.P.W.I., held at the home of Mrs. O'Brien, was the first meeting since June. It took the form of a Grandmothers' party, all members being dressed in old-fashioned costumes.

Meeting opened with the Creed, after which the Sec'y read minutes of last meeting, which were adopted as read.

Treasurer's report followed, showing a balance on hand as of July 24th, \$65.26. A refund had been received for Mrs. Smith's R.R. (? , illegible) \$21.05 and also a refund from Mrs. Smith of unused money, 23.85.

The roll call was answered by remembrances of our grandmothers, 14 members present and three visitors.

Hospital report was given by Mrs. J.E. Thomson. Mrs. Bromley & Mrs. McQuarrie forming Hospital Committee for October.

The President reported condition of family burned out at Kleskun and the donation of clothes by members of the W.I. and of groceries to amount of \$2.90. A bill from Butchart's for prizes, \$1.00, was presented. Mrs. Keyes moved, 2nd by Mrs. Nelson, that these bills be paid. Carried.

Mrs. Bromley was appointed to act as our delegate at Oct convention at Wembley.

Letter was read from D. Douglas, Farm Director, to the effect that trees cannot be supplied by the Gov't. A discussion on tree planting followed. Mrs. O'Brien moved, 2nd by Mrs. Bromley, that we plant trees from Taylors' corner, two blocks north, towards hospital. Carried. Mrs. Yule appointed to interview Mr. Dunlop in regard to plowing streets for trees.

The subject of the short story competition in the schools was brought up and it was decided to offer a prize not to exceed \$2.00 to the winner.

A letter was read re: Alta Women's Bureau, giving the Acts in relation to same.

Mrs. Patterson read a short poem entitled "To My Grandmother" and Mrs. Davis followed with song "Silver Threads Among the Gold".

A buttonhole contest brought forth some wonderful efforts in the sewing line; the prize going to Mrs. Bromley. A fashion parade followed, the prize for best costume going to Mrs. Davis.

Tea was served by hostess, assisted by Mrs. Dixon and Mrs. Spicer.

M. McQuarrie, Sec'y.

Tea held in Oliver's store Oct 27th. Proceeds 23.00.

Nov. 1st. The November meeting of the G.P.W.I. was held the home of Mrs. J.E. Thomson, 14 members present and three visitors. After repeating the Creed in unison, the Sec'y read minutes of Oct meeting, which were adopted as read.

The Treasurer reported \$89.71 on hand as of Nov 1st. A Tea had been held in Oliver's new store the week previous, netting around \$23.00.

The Hospital Committee reported visiting the hospital and distributing magazines.

The subject of tree planting was then brought up and the President told of Council wishing to change location of streets plowed. They had already plowed the street past the school. This being a longer block will require less trees than the two blocks before stipulated. 30 trees being required. The Sec'y was instructed to get prices from nurseries at Lacombe and Brooks. On motion of Mrs. Bell, 2nd by Mrs. Keyes, the Tree Committee comprise of Mrs. Thomson, Mrs. Bell & Mrs. Yule.

In a discussion on hospital furnishings a committee consisting of Mrs. Judson, Mrs. I. Nelson and Mrs. Yule was appointed to approach Mr. Robertson and register a strong protest against taking any of the old furnishings (?, illegible) the new hospital. Said committee to be known as the anti-beg (?) committee.

A letter was read from Dr. Bow, Deputy Minister of Health. He had sent on some "Accident Prevention" Bulletins which were distributed among the members and recommended it as a topic at one of our meetings.

Correspondence was read from Miss E. Clarke, Supt Health Nurses, in regard to Baby Clinic and various other courses. On motion of Mrs. Nelson, 2nd Mrs. Wishart, it was agreed we hold Baby Clinic during coming year, preferably in early June or Sept.

Moved by Mrs. Thomson, 2nd by Mrs. Bromley, that we hold a 3 day course in Home Decoration and furnishings, as 1st choice and 1 day Time and Labor-saving Equipment as 2nd choice.

The Hospital Committee for December is Mrs. Keyes and Mrs. A. Wilson.

The report by Mrs. Bromley followed, of the constituency conference at Wembley. This was a most interesting report, giving in detail the various activities of the various branches. She also reported that our president, Mrs. Yule, had been appointed Constituency Convenor for the coming two-year term.

The Roll Call was answered by suggestions for next year's program. These were noted and will be taken up when dealing with the new program.

The matter of the new ruling whereby we pay \$1.00 per member capita tax was dealt with. Moved by Mrs. Thomson, 2nd by Mrs. Bell, that we do not pay capita tax on any member who has not attended three meetings during the year. Carried. This was in agreement with the verdict rendered by Mrs. Boyd when the matter was taken up with her recently.

Mrs. Kenny spoke about a needy family at Wembley, Drumbrewer by name, reported to be destitute. The matter to be reported to Wembley Institute.

Mr. Clokie gave a very interesting and instructive paper on Banking, showing very clearly the points most useful to women. A hearty vote of thanks was rendered Mr. Clokie at the close of his address.

Meeting then adjourned, when tea was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Barley and Mrs. Kenny.

Margaret McQuarrie, Sec'y.

Dec. 6 '28

The G.P.W.I. met at the home of Mrs. McQuarrie. As usual, meeting opened with reading of the Creed, after which the Sec'y read minutes of previous meeting, which were adopted as read. The Treasurer gave her report which showed a bank balance of \$87.81 on hand. Roll call followed, "the Christmas present I prized most". The Hospital Committee reported calling on 12 patients during the month. Mrs. I. Nelson reported visit of a committee of three to the Hospital Board. They had been advised no old equipment except iron beds, were to be taken into new building. Also that the cost of furnishing a room would be around \$250.00. A discussion followed, re: furnishing such a room. A motion was made by Mrs. Davis, 2nd by Mrs. Kenny, "That our society consult with the country institutes, telling them we are thinking of furnishing a ward and to find out if they would be willing to cooperate, including the amount each institute would be willing to donate". Carried.

Mrs. Yule promised, as Constituency Convenor to send out a circular letter in regard to the matter.

Mrs. Thomson moved, Mrs. Bell 2nd, that the Sec'y be authorized to purchase a new Minute Book, suitable for Institute requirements.

The question of our annual Burns concert & card party was brought up, the details to be left to the committees as follows:

Program Committee: Mrs. O'Brien, Mrs. Patterson

Committee in Charge: Mrs. Bromley, I. Nelson, Davis

Correspondence was read from Miss Jessie McMillan, Edmonton and Emma Lynch-Staunton, Lundbrook, dealing with immigration of British women, providing training for them on arrival and placing them as domestics. After a short discussion, the Sec'y was instructed to write these ladies explaining the situation in this part of the province. Owing to the large number of girls looking for work, that we do not feel qualified to give an opinion on the subject.

Moved by Mrs. Bell, 2nd by Mrs. I. Nelson, that our capita tax of \$23.00 and constituency fund of \$5.00 be paid by the Treasurer. Carried.

As this was our Annual Meeting the election of officers followed:

Pres. - Mrs. Yule Auditors - Mrs. Thomson, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. I. Nelson, Mrs. O'Brien

1st Vice Pres. - Mrs. Patterson

Treasurer - Mrs. Bromley

Sec'y - As no one could be persuaded to fill this office the former Sec'y promised to carry on until Jan meeting.

The Sec'y read the annual report, showing work accomplished during the year. Also, the interesting & instructive papers & talks given at our meetings. The Treasurer's report was as follows:

On hand Jan 1 st 1928	35.51	
Rec'd during year	<u>171.60</u>	207.11
Expenditures for 1928		<u>119.30</u>
Balance on hand		\$87.81

A committee to draw up new programs for 1929 were Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Bromley & Mrs. Scamon.

Mrs. Bromley then introduced a scheme for attracting new members & improving the attendance. It was called a Mountain Climbing Contest. The members were divided into groups, each group with a convenor who would be responsible for seeing her group attended the meetings, obtaining new members, etc. Points counted as follows:

Each member attending	25 points
Each visitor “	10 “
New members “	25 “

Dues

Roll call

Mrs. Bromley moved, Mrs. Davis seconded the motion to adopt this scheme & Mrs. Bromley was appointed Convenor over all groups, the leaders of which are Mrs. Bell, Thomson, O'Brien & Davis.

In order to have less difficulty in making up Capital Tax it was moved by Mrs. Morrison, 2nd by Mrs. Davis, that we have a 10¢ fee each month, this to be paid by each member joining, regardless of whether they attend meetings or not. This fee to apply to 10 months of year and an account to be kept of same by Treasurer.

Meeting adjourned, after which tea was served by hostess, assisted by Mrs. Judson & Mrs. W. Pearson.

M. McQuarrie, Secy.

OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

	NAME	ADDRESS
President	Mrs. C.H. Graban	Grande Prairie
1 st Vice-President	Mrs. J. Thompson	"
2 nd Vice-President	Mrs. D. Patterson	"
Secretary-Treasurer	Mrs. L.B. Yule	"
Treas.	Mrs. P. Jones	"
Directors	Mrs. A. McQuarrie	"
	Mrs. Shiels	"
	Mrs. C. Bell	"
	Mrs. F. Roberts	"

1927

President	Mrs. C.H. Graban
1 st Vice-President	Mrs. W. Cunningham
2 nd Vice-President	Mrs. A.D. Wishart
Secretary-Treasurer	Mrs. L.B. Yule
Treas.	Mrs. Harrington
Directors	Mrs. F. Spicer
	Mrs. J.E. Thomson
	Mrs. C.R. Bell

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1928		
President	Mrs. Yule	
1 st Vice-President	" Bell	
2 nd Vice-President	" Wishart	
Secretary-Treasurer	" McQuarrie	
Treas.	" Graban	Mrs. Bromley
Directors	" A. Wilson	
	" D. Patterson	
	" Nelson	
	" Bromley	
Auditors	" Nelson	
	" Keyes	

1929		
President	Mrs. Yule	
1 st Vice-President	" Patterson	
2 nd Vice-President		
Secretary-Treasurer	" McQuarrie	
Treas.	" Bromley	
Directors	" O'Brien	
	" I. Nelson	
Auditors	" Thomson	
	" Wilson	

MEMBERSHIP LIST

1924-25

No.	NAME	P.O. ADDRESS	AMT.	Date Paid
1	Mrs. C. Bell		25	Sept 28
2	Mrs. P. Jones			"
3	Mrs. C. Graban			"
4	Mrs. D. Patterson			"
5	Mrs. A. McQuarrie			"
6	Mrs. J. Thompson			"
7	Mrs. E. Reevely			"
8	Mrs. L.B. Yule			"
9	Mrs. Welch			"
10	Mrs. Barley			Nov 6
11	Mrs. F. Roberts			"
12	Mrs. O'Brien			"
13	Mrs. W. Doran			"
14	Mrs. Fish			"
15	(Rev) Mrs. Forbes			"
16	Mrs. D. Thomson			"
17	Miss Stewart			"
18	Mrs. W.W. Cunningham			Dec 4
19	" Lance Smith			Dec 4
20	" Alex Wishart			Jan 8
21	" E.T. Hacking			"
22	" J.O. Patterson			Feb 5
23	" McKenzie			"
24	" Keyes			"
25	" F. Smith			"

No.	NAME	P.O. ADDRESS	AMT.	Date Paid
26	Mrs. Christie			April 2
	Mrs. Harmer		25	May 2
	Mrs. Cameron		25	"
	Mrs. Lawlor		25	June
	Mrs. Pearsey		25	June
	Mrs. J. McPhee		25	"
	Mrs. Meade		25	Sept
	Mrs. I. McPhee			
1927	Mrs. Madson			
	Mrs. A. Wilson			

MEMBERSHIP LIST

1926

No.	NAME	P.O. ADDRESS	AMT.	Date Paid
	Mrs. Gold			
	Mrs. Harrington			
	Mrs. C.W. Pearcy			
	Mrs. Fish			
	Mrs. Spicer			
	Mrs. Fred Roberts			
	Mrs. L.B. Yule			
	Mrs. D. Patterson			
	Mrs. C. Bell			
	Mrs. McQuarrie			
	Mrs. J. Patterson			
	Mrs. Mead			
	Mrs. Thomson			
	Mrs. Graban			
	Mrs. Cunningham			
	Mrs. L. Smith			
	Mrs. Wishart			
	Mrs. Christie			
	Mrs. Benson			
	Mrs. Davis			
	Mrs. Stewart-Irvine			
	Mrs. Judson			
	Mrs. Keyes			
	Mrs. Harmer			
	Mrs. Turner			

Mrs. Eager
Mrs. Lawlor
Mrs. Innes
Mrs. O'Brien

MEMBERSHIP LIST

1927

No.	NAME	P.O. ADDRESS	AMT.	Date Paid
1	Mrs. Spicer	Grande Prairie	.25	Dec 3, 1926
2	Mrs. Bell	"	.25	"
3	Mrs. Wishart	"	.25	"
4	Mrs. Lance Smith	"	.25	"
5	Mrs. Graban	"	.25	"
6	Mrs. Judson	"	.25	"
7	Mrs. Davis	"	.25	"
8	Mrs. Harmer	"	.25	"
9	Mrs. Wm. Innis	"	.25	"
10	Mrs. O'Brien	"	.25	"
11	Mrs. Cunningham	"	.25	"
12	Mrs. McQuarrie	"	.25	Jan 6, 1927
13	Mrs. Christie	"	.25	"
14	Mrs. Eager	"	.25	"
15	Mrs. McPhee	"	.25	"
16	Mrs. Madsen	"	.25	"
17	Mrs. Wilson	"	.25	"

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1928

No.	NAME	P.O. ADDRESS	AMT.	Date Paid
1	Mrs. D. Patterson		25	Dec
2	" Wishart		25	Dec
3	" Kenny		25	Dec
4	" A. Wilson		25	Dec
5	" Graban		25	Dec
6	" Judson		25	Dec
7	" McQuarrie		25	Jan 5
8	" Bell		25	Dec
9	" Bromley		25	Jan 5
10	" Nelson		25	Jan 5
11	" Storm		25	Jan 5
12	" Yule		25	Mch 1
13	" Fred Roberts		25	Mch 1
14	" J.E. Thomson		25	Feb 2
15	" J. Patterson		25	
16	" Lance Smith		25	
17	" Fred Smith		25	May 3
18	" Barley		25	Mch 1
19	" Lawlor		25	Mch 1
20	" Stewart-Irvine		25	Mch 1
21	" Keyes		25	Feb 2
22	" O'Brien		25	Mch 28
23	" Spicer		25	Mch 1
24	" Fish		25	Feb 2
25	" Fay		25	Feb 2

No.	NAME	P.O. ADDRESS	AMT.	Date Paid
26	"	McPhee	25	Mch 1
27	"	Davis	25	Jan
28	"	Dixon	25	Mch 1
29	"	I. Nelson	25	Mch 28
30	"	K. Morrison	25	May 3
31	"	W. Percy	25	May 3
32	"	Turner	25	May 3
33	"	Law	25	May 3