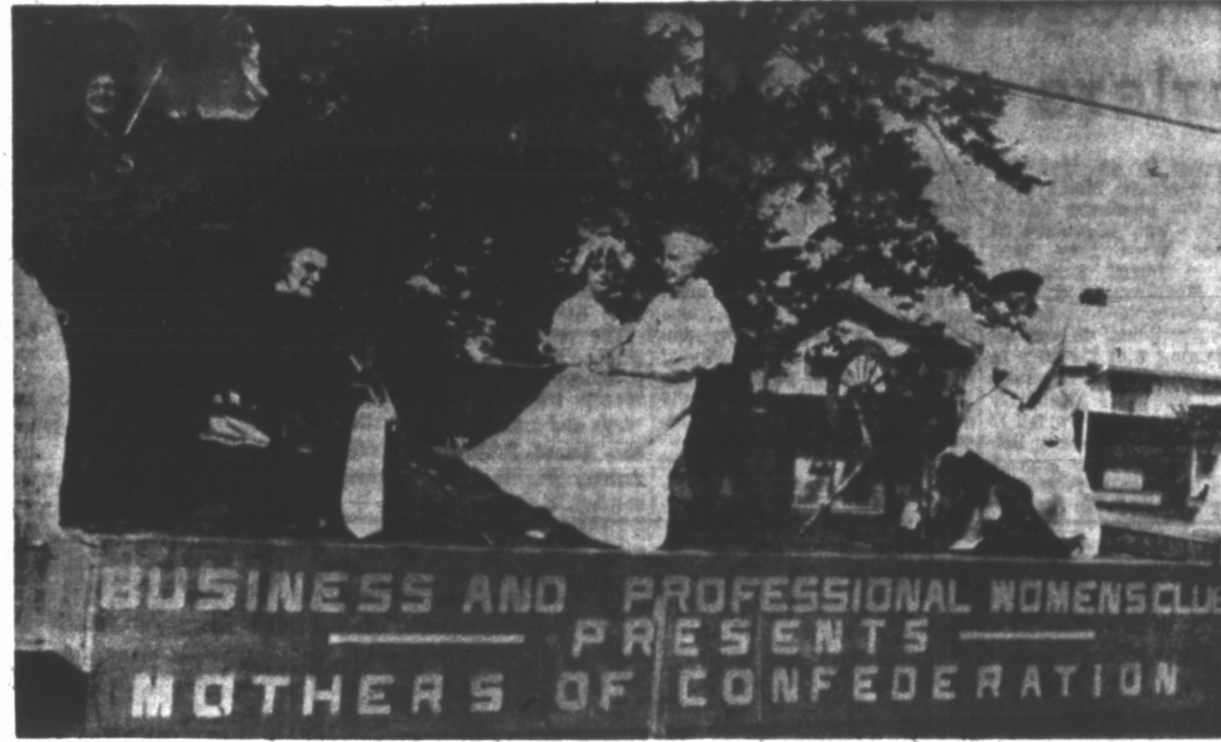


Legion ladies had big year

The Provincial Ladies Auxiliary of the Royal Canadian Legion, which was organized in 1936, has an enrollment of over 600 members in 21 organized branch Auxiliaries throughout the Island. The Auxiliary is governed by an executive appointed at the annual meeting, and consists of 11 members in addition to each branch Auxiliary president, who is automatically an executive member, making in all a total of 32 on the provincial executive. The present executive members are: Mrs. Emily Harkness, honorary president, Summerside; Mrs. Grace Roper, past president, Charlottetown; Mrs. Lillian MacDonald, president, Montague; Mrs. Edith Elder, 1st vice-president, Tignish; Mrs. Cecila Doiron, 2nd vice-president, R. U. Tico; Mrs. Dorothy MacDonald, secretary, Charlottetown; and Mrs. Marjorie Whyte, treasurer, Summerside. There are four zone commanders: Mrs. Irene MacDonald, Tignish; West Prince, Mrs. Elinor Brown; Montserrat, Mrs. Doris Douglas; St. John's, Mrs. Margaret Jarvis, Souris, Kings County.

The Auxiliary plays an important role in their own right in assisting needy veterans and their families as well as giving strong support to the program of the Royal Canadian Legion Branches in this respect. The Auxiliary organized their "Disaster Relief" program for veterans shortly after the Second World War and this is probably one of their most effective means of assisting veterans temporarily in great need. The provincial body contacts all branch auxiliaries in the event of a veteran becoming the victim of fire loss and then coordinates the efforts put forward by each branch to provide clothes, household furnishings and other necessities of which the needy are suddenly deprived due to fire.

Each branch auxiliary investigates the needs of families of veterans in their own locality and, especially at Christmas time but at other times as well, provides gifts of food and clothing to the needy. Many of the auxiliaries during 1964 have sponsored Centennial projects and all have taken an active part in assisting other commu-



AS A SPECIAL "Centennial Year" project—under the chairmanship of Lillian Duchemin—the Charlottetown Business and Professional Women's Club entered a float designed as the "Mothers of Confederation" in the "Gold Cup and Saucer Parade" held in Charlottetown during

"Old Home Week". Seen left to right in the picture of the float—replete with cradle, churn, spinning-wheel and costumes worn 100 years ago are—Mrs. Agnes Bagnall, Miss Isabel Macdonald, Miss Dorothy Cullen (provincial president), Miss Gertrude Love and Mrs. Chris. Agnew.

Grad nurses help nursing

Graduates of the P.E.I. Hospital School of Nursing are eligible for membership in the Nurses Alumnae, an association which has as its object, "the maintenance of the honor of the nursing profession, the promotion of unity, good feeling and loyalty among the members."

Nurses, representing the years from 1912, to 1964 were present for this delightful reunion.

Meetings are held at the Cundall Home on the third Tuesday of each month and feature guest films and special projects.

Mrs. H.E. Carmichael is the 1964-65 president of the Alumnae. Other officers are: vice-president, Beth Robinson; secretary, Elaine Nicholson; treasurer, Mrs. Peter MacPhee; finance, Mrs. William Stevenson; sick and visiting, Mrs. Hector Scott; program, Mrs. Stewart Smith; Mrs. John McLaren and Mrs. William MacEachern; press, Mrs. Wilfred James.

Centennial kept members busy

1964 "Centennial" activities were the focus of special attention from the Business and Professional Women's Club with the Summerside club looking after an information booth at the Lobster Carnival and the Charlottetown Club entering a float in the big Gold Cup and Saucer Parade. This float depicted women of 100 years ago with some household articles in use at that time—a spinning wheel, a dasher churn, and a cradle. The beautiful antique cradle was loaned by club member, Eleanor Lowe.

The Clubs in P.E.I. form part of the Canadian Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs which careers on an intensive program promoting fair play for women in employment, promotions, salaries, taxation and pensions. The proposed Canada Pension Plan is being studied by the Federation and revisions have been suggested to give equitable treatment to both men and women—married and unmarried.

The Federation maintains close contact with United Nations affairs, and each year sends one of its members to attend UN sessions in New York.

A Charlottetown club member, Helen Yeo, was selected a few years ago for this important assignment.

The P.E.I. clubs participate in the Federation's special support of the United Nations project for the training of refugee girls in Jordan. The B and P. Clubs paid for seven girls over a two-year period. These girls have now graduated with business training, and a new group is now being educated.

On the local scene, some of the Island clubs' activities include the giving of a Musée Festival Scholarship, membership in APFC and the United Nations, Christmas donations to local welfare agencies, visits to senior citizens, assistance at Red Cross blood donor clinics, and in Summerside the club sponsors the local collections for the Unitarian Services Committee.

Officers of the provincial B. and P. Organization are: president, Dorothy Cullen; vice-president, Margaret Collins; treasurer, Verne Darrach; all of Charlottetown with Mrs. Mary Bradshaw of Summerside as the second vice-president.

Third year busy one for province's U C W

The P.E.I. Presbyterian United Church Women has just completed its third successful year. The annual meeting was held in Trinity United Church, Charlottetown, on February 1st, 1964, with a splendid attendance. The guest speaker was Annetta Rose of Nova Scotia, who spent many years as a missionary in Korea.

Officers for 1964 were elected as follows: past president, Mrs. Charles Howatt, Victoria; president, Mrs. Henry Moyle, Summerside; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Heber Jones, Charlottetown; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. L.M. Murray, Kensington; 3rd vice-president, Mrs. A.E. Ings, Montague; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Bryer Jones, Hampton; recording secretary, Mrs. Allen Jenkins, Summerside; treasurer, Mrs. E.H. Anderson, Charlottetown.

This organization draws its members from all the congregations of the United Church of Canada in P.E.I.

In the Spring, regional workshops were held in O'Leary, Cavendish and Montague. In November there was a large attendance at a province-wide rally in Cornwall. The guest speaker on this occasion was Rev. C.R. Webber, D.D. who gave highlights from the meeting of the general council of the United Church of Canada, which was held in St. John's, Newfoundland in September. Officers' training sessions, program panels and discussion groups had a place at all these gatherings.

A portion of every meeting of the local organizations is devoted to Bible study or to programs which keep the members informed on the outreach of the United Church of Canada. In cooperation with other churches, beyond the boundaries of Canada.

The committees on supply and social assistance in the local organizations have contributed tremendously to the needy in Canada, as well as to overseas relief. The overseas relief is administered through the World Council of Churches, which makes a thorough study of the world situation and the needs of the people.

The members of the United Church Women are genuinely interested in senior citizens, patients in hospitals and the chronically ill. They show their concern by visits, flowers and cards.

The future looks very bright for this organization, the purpose of which is "to unite all the women of the congregation for the total Mission of the Church"

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