

talk on Ireland, which he called "The Parson's Paradise", & it was enjoyed by all. He was thanked by M^{rs} Taylor. Then came supper which consisted of Ham (sent by the New Zealand Link) potatoes, pickles & home made bread, Jellies & Blanemange, which was cooked & served by the Committee. The thanks of all members were voiced by Miss Crosson. The competitions were judged by the Rev G. Willmott & Miss Rudd, the winners being M^{rs} Legg, "mince pies", & M^{rs} Gale the "Best Flower" & M^{rs} Wells "Fancy Dress".

8.1.52 H Taylor

1952
Jan 8th

A meeting was held in the Ex-Servicemen's Hut on Jan 8th with the President in the Chair & 32 members present. Three new members were welcomed. The record was read & signed. Notice was given of the W.I. County rally to be held at Milton Abbey on June 21st & it was hoped some would attend & also enter for the fancy dress competition. Members were reminded of the Sea Breeze Competition & asked if they would like to help in making a Scrap Book of Snaps of Interest of the Village, this was agreed to, & Miss Scott offered to do the binding.

M^r. Dixon of the Hoover Company then gave a most instructive & interesting talk on the "bare of Carpets" & A hearty vote of thanks was proposed by M^{rs}. R. Pitcher. Tea was served by M^{rs}. Irons, with M^{rs}. Paul, M^{rs}. Gards & M^{rs}. C. Crabb helpers. Competitions winners were M^{rs}. Wells, the Orange Dish, & M^{rs}. Gaylor, the Best Flower. A market stall presided over by Miss J. Crabb did good business. Some subscriptions for the year, & 6^d for the tray & cloths were taken.

H Gaylor 11/2/52

Feb. 12th

29 members were present at a meeting held in the Ex-Servicemen's Hut on Feb. 12th, presided over by the President. Members stood in silence as a tribute to the memory of the late King George V. The record was read & signed. Notice was again given of the Rally, & Scrap Book competition & the group meeting in Bridport. Letters of thanks were read & receipts shown for the Donations that were sent to the 3 Charities. The County Letter was dealt with & members were asked to decide if they would be going to the Party at Bradpole, & give in their names at the next meeting. M^{rs}. Srevett

gave an interesting talk on The bore of the
Stair & was very helpful in answering members
questions. He was warmly thanked by
Miss Wilkinson. A raffle for a dozen
eggs, "kindly given by M^{rs} Hyde" & won
by M^{rs} Edrich, made 10/- which was given to
M^{rs} Srevett for the League of Pity. There was
a good entry for the Competition of a
"Bowl of Spring Flowers," M^{rs} Irons being
the winner & the Best Flower was won by
Miss J. Grabb. The market Stall again did well.
The Social half-hour of dancing was cancelled.

Taylor 11.3.52

March 11th M^{rs} Taylor presided over a meeting held in
the Ex-Servicemen's Hut on March 11th, 29 members
were present. The names voted for the N.S.W.I.
Executive Committee was given & approved, &
members were asked to give their names if they
were going to accept Bradpole's invitation to
their party on April 19th. The Rotary Club's
"Aid to Greece" appeal was announced. M^{rs}
Burns gave a demonstration on "Quilting" &
showed some articles she had made, which
was much admired. A vote of thanks was
given by M^{rs} Osborne. Tea hostess was
M^{rs} Bunnell with M^{rs} E. Grabb & M^{rs} Gill

helpers. The most marks for the Competition of Feather Stitchery was awarded to M^{rs} Wells & the Best Flower to M^{rs} Legg. The Scrap Book was on view & members were asked to write their name in it. The Social half-hour was organized by M^{rs} Wells.

Taylor 8.4.52

April 8th

A meeting was held in the Ex-Servicemen's Hut on April 8th with the President in the Chair & 28 members present. The record was read & signed. Thanks were received from several members for gifts from the Compassionate Fund, & the President thanked all members for such a good response to the "Aid to Greece" appeal. Final arrangements were made to go to the Party at Bradpole, & a letter was read from Soller W.D. inviting 20 members to their Birthday Party on May 6th. The County letter was dealt with & notice of the Rally was again given. M^{rs} Wells was elected delegate to the Half Yearly Council meeting at Weymouth, & several members said they would attend as visitors. Miss Buckler gave a talk on her "Sour of Canada" & shewed some of the gifts she received from the Canadians. She was

thanked by Mrs Masters. The competitions were judged by Mrs Henderson, Mrs Thomas being the winner for the "Rhubarb Tart" & Mrs Wells, "The Best Flower". Sea hostess was Mrs Wells, assisted by Mrs Edrich, Miss Henderson & Friend.

At Gayle 13.5.52.

May 13th

40 members were present at a meeting held in the Ex-Servicemen's Hut on May 13th with the President in the Chair. The record was read & signed. An invitation to a Garden Party on August 9th from Plush W.I. was accepted. 6 members decided to attend the Group meeting at Wallhayes on June 11th. Mrs Wells gave a report of the S.Y.C. at Weymouth. The time to start for Milton Abbas was fixed for 5 minutes to 12 from the Brown Inn. The County letter was dealt with, & it was decided to send a donation of 5/- to the Miss Marsden memorial fund. It was proposed to invite the members of Blackdown W.I. to the next meeting which would be our 5th Birthday. This was adopted. Names of members were taken to help in the Pageant at Bridport

next year. The Resolutions for the A.G.M. were discussed & Mr^s Guy was instructed how to vote. Attention was called to the New Programme for Denman College, & the President stated that owing to lack of funds a Bursary could not be given. It was proposed by Miss Croxson & seconded by Mr^s Crocker that an effort to raise the money be made. Commander Streetfield gave a very interesting talk on "His Life in the Navy" & he was thanked by Mr^s Wells. Sea hostess was Miss Jessie Brabb assisted by the Misses Pitcher & Babourne. The competitions winners were Mrs Wells & Mr^s Legg. The market Stall was a great success.

At Taylor 10.6.52

June 10th

A meeting was held in the Ex-Servicemen's Hut on June 10th, with the President, Mr^s Taylor presiding & 43 members present. The record was read & signed. Members were asked to give in their names for the Plush W.I. Garden Party at the next meeting & the final arrangements to take 2 coachloads of members to the Rally at Milton Abbas were made. The Banner bearer & attendants

were elected, M^{rs} Saylor, M^{rs} Osborne & M^{rs} Thomas. A letter thanking members for gifts to the Greek Fund was read. M^{rs} Guy gave a good report on the Annual General meeting. The competitions were won by M^{rs} J. Gale. The most articles in match box, & M^{rs} B. Gale, the Best Flower. Being our 5th Birthday members of the Blackdown W.I. were welcomed as guests, & Lady Pinney gave another of her delightful talks on her travels in Africa & New Zealand, & was warmly thanked by M^{rs} J. Hyde. Refreshments given by members were served by members of the Committee, & Lady Pinney cut the cake which had been made & given by M^{rs} Wells. Singing & games followed, & a Play performed by Mesdames Saylor, Wells, E. A. Brabb, E. Brabb, D. Hyde & H. Pavey, shewed that we have some talent in our W.I. The singing of Auld Lang Syne & the National Anthem brought to close another very enjoyable evening.

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July 8th

A meeting was held in the Ex-Servicemen's Club on July 8th with the President in the Chair & 32 members present. The record was read &

& signed. Four new members were welcomed. The President thanked all those who had given & helped at the Birthday Party. Some tea & sugar was raffled by M^{rs} Drake & raised 13/8 for our funds. It was decided to start for the Plush garden party on the Aug 7th at 5.30. & Bournemouth was chosen for an outing on Aug 19th. A good report of the group meeting at Wallhays was given by M^{rs} Osborne. An invitation given by M^{rs} Willmott to entertain members & their children on the Vicarage lawn on Aug 12th was accepted & at 3 o'clock the time fixed to begin. Members were asked if they would enter some of their handicrafts at the Sete on Aug 2nd. M^{rs} Burns gave a demonstration on "Loose covers" & was thanked by M^{rs} Siltman. An order for 8 Diaries was taken. Sea hostess was M^{rs} Hyde, with M^{rs} Rudd, M^{rs} B. Gale & M^{rs} Coombe to help. The competitions for Quilting & the Best Slower were won by M^{rs} Siltman & M^{rs} B. Gale. The Social - half hour was arranged by Miss Legg. For the mystery meeting on August 12th members & their children enjoyed tea & games on the Vicarage lawn. Sea hostesses were

M^{rs}. Siltman & M^{rs}. Irons with M^{rs}. E. Brabb & M^{rs}. D. Hyde to help. Each child received a Packet of Sweets & 6^d from Institute Funds & all Present an ice from the Vicar. The thanks of all were expressed to the Rev & M^{rs}. Willmott by the President.

A Taylor 9.9.52.

Sept. 9th

A meeting was held in the Ex-Servicemen's Hut on Sept 9th, M^{rs}. Taylor presiding & 21 members present. The record was read & signed. A letter from Plush W. I. was read regretting the cancelling of the Garden Party, but expressing the hope to entertain us some other time. Some knitting leaflets received from the Jaeger Wool Company were distributed. A letter of ~~the~~ from the Sailor's Society was read thanking members for the sum of £ 4. 11. 4. the result of a House to House collection. Four more tickets were ordered for the Coronation Conference. A proposal to organize a Whist Drive & Stall for the Lynmouth Relief Fund was adopted. M^{rs}. Price gave a Demonstration on Cooking by Electricity & was thanked by M^{rs}. E. A. Brabb. Sea hostess was M^{rs}. Osborne assisted by Miss Crosson & Miss Webb. Competitions

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for "Rice Pudding" & the Best Flower
were won by M^{rs} Legg & M^{rs} O. Gale. The
market Stall presided over by M^{rs} E. J. Grabb
did very well.

At Teyla 24.10.52

Oct 14th

The President presided over a meeting on Oct
14th in the Ex-Servicemen's Hut, 33 members
being present. The record was read & signed.
A letter was read from the Mayor of Bridport
thanking members for a donation of 31[£]
for the Lynmouth disaster fund. Notice
of the group meeting at Beaminster on Nov 13th
was given, also the cookery classes at
Bradpole for which 5 members said they
would attend. A sample Xmas Card was
shown & an order for 18 dozen & 3 was
given. M^{rs} Wells was elected to attend the
~~Annual~~ Yearly Council meeting at Dorchester.
The list of W. I. in Dorset who had given
10[£] to the Denman College fund was read,
& one of them was Loders W. I. Names for
the 1953 Committee & suggestions for the
Programme were asked for, & also 2 members
to make a House to House collection for the
Dorset Playing fields. Two members
volunteered. An interesting letter was read

from our New Zealand link. M^{rs} Squire gave a Demonstration on Jisal Mats & was thanked by M^{rs} Wells. M^{rs} E. A. Brabb was tea Hostess, assisted by M^{rs} Henderson & Miss Wilkinson. M^{rs} Irons won the Competition for the Spray of Blackberries & M^{rs} Taylor the Best Flower. The Roll Ball, A Place I would like to re-visit & Why, proved very interesting. Some sugar raffled by M^{rs} Wells made 10^{/-} for our fund.

A Taylor 11.11.52

Annual General Meeting

Report of Year 1951-1952

Membership Our membership this year is 53, with an average attendance of 31. Two members has left the village.

Com. A Committee of 11 was elected last November & have attended 12 meetings.

Institute The Institute has met 11 times in the Ex-Service Men's Hut. There has been Salks.

Salks On Ireland - By the Rev. O. Willmott.

The Care of Carpets - The Hoover Company.

The Care of the Hair - M^{rs} Srevett.

My Tour of Canada - Miss Buckler

Life in the Navy - Commander Streetfield

Travel - Lady Pinney.

Demonstrations Quilting & Loose Covers - M^{rs} Burns.

Cooking by Electricity - M^{rs} Price.

Sisal Mats - M^{rs} Squire.

Competitions

Soft Soya, Mince Pies, Orange Dish,
Spring Flowers, Feather Stitchery & Buttonholes
Rhubarb Tart, Best Darned Men's Sock, Most
Articles in Match Box, Quilting, Rice Pudding,
Best Spray of Blackberries, & Each month.
The Best Flower in my Garden.

Special
Events.

A Supper in December, A Garden Party for
members & their children at the Vicarage, &
W.I. Birthday Party at Bradpole, & A W.I.
Birthday Party at Soller.

Outings

2 Coachloads went to the W.I. Rally at
Milton Abbey & 2 Coachloads to Bournemouth.

Our Good
Deeds.

A sale of work realized 19^{/-} for 3 Charities
"The St. Dunstan's Blind", "The Cancer Research
Campaign", & "Homes for the Deaf", $\begin{matrix} \text{£} & \text{s} & \text{d} \\ 4 & \cdot & 11 & \cdot & 9 \end{matrix}$
was raised by A House to House Collection
for the Sailor's Society. A Whist Drive &
Stall raised 31^{/-} for the Lyme-mouth disaster
Fund. & A House to House Collection for
the Dorset Playing Fields, result not known.

Press

Our Press Sec^y ^{M^{rs} Bellome} has sent regular reports to
the Bridport News, The Link Sec^y ^{M^{rs} Siltman} has
written to New Zealand & received replies.

Home
Country

M^{rs} Pavey has sent items to Home & Country
& distributed them regular.

Group
A. G. M.

M^{rs} Osborne has attended the Group Com. meetings
The Annual General Meeting was Represented for us
by Powerstock w. i.

H. Y. C.

A. G.

The Half yearly Council meeting & the
Annual Council meeting, was attended by
M^{rs} Wells, & several members the Group
meetings.

Compassionate

M^{rs} Bunnell has sent gifts to several
members from the Compassionate Fund.

Market
Stall

A Market Stall has been held each month
& been very successful.

H. Taylor 11.11.54

Nov. 11th

The 6th Annual meeting was held in the
Ex-Servicemen's Hut on Nov 11th, with the
President in the Chair & 39 members present.
Twelve members were approved for the 1953
Committee. Voting took place for the
President, & M^{rs} Taylor was again elected.
M^{rs} Miller very kindly acted as Seller.
The record was read & signed. The President
thanked her Committee for their work in
the past year & the members for attending
the meetings so well. The Annual Report
was read by the Secretary, & the Financial

Statement by the Treasurer. Both were adopted. The Secretary was instructed to write & thank Mr^r Brown for auditing the books. Mr^{rs} Wells gave a report of the Annual Council meeting. Members were asked if they wanted to book any seats for the Xmas Pantomimes. It was proposed to hold a Sale to raise some funds for the W. I. & Dec 6th was the day fixed. Miss Croxson gave a very interesting talk on her visit to Russia in 1936, & was thanked by Mr^{rs} Taylor. Sea hostess was Mr^{rs} Wells, assisted by Miss Henderson & Mr^{rs} E. S. Grabb. The Competitions, "Baked Apples" & "The Best Shower" were won by Mr^{rs} Wells & Mr^{rs} Pitcher. Social half-hour was "skipping" & the Market Stall presided over by Mr^{rs} E. S. Grabb, did very well. A letter was read from our New Zealand Link, to inform us that a Ham was on its way, with their Best Wishes for Xmas.

A Taylor 9.12.52

Dec. 9th 1953

a Meeting Was held in the Exservicemen's
Hut on Dec 9th With the President in
the chair. and 34 members Present, the
minutes were read and signed. and after
the reading and of the county letter and
names. of the Sub committee Mr. Jackman
J.P. had been nominated for the Executive
committee, It is hoped to hold a
county Housewives bourse in different
* in March. Places. * and to hold a final Day
at the Farm Institute if there is a
sufficient number, after the Business
which was as short as possible. members
took their places for supper, and very
much enjoyed, although the Ham came
a day late. but the borrowed one
was voted alright, with mashed potatoes
pickles, followed by mince pies and cream
the gift of a member. followed by
coffee & tea, after this there were
games. and judging for Best Fancy
nursery Rhyme. costume, these were
judged by Brig & Mr. Hammond who were
the guest of the evening and won
by Mr. Rudd. as Dr Foster, then
the Presentation of the Years Prizes

Which had been arranged that
year on a Points Scheme, which
proved very successful. as more people
had a share in the Prize giving
and gave everyone a laugh as
they did not know what to
expect and ranged from Pins to
envelopes. after a few more games
the evening was closed by the
singing of Auld Lang Syne.

The Sale in aid of W.I
Funds was very successful and
gave us £18 to our good.
The stalls did well, and after
Tea and a few games. Mr Taylor
as Father Christmas arrived and
gave all the children a bag
of sweets and an Orange, they
were very pleased, and I sure
it gave them a lot of pleasure.
and we must be very grateful
to him. 25/- was made from the
supper.

H Taylor 13.1.53.