

preparing poultry for table. Mrs Legg to look after
speaker and see to tea tray. Mrs Crabb to be tea hostess
with Mrs Marsh Miss Cann & Mrs Herbert helpers.
Mrs Follett kindly offered to help clear room after the
meeting. Mrs Legg to contact Mr Hayball about food for
Jan supper, suggestions being Fish & chips sausages & chips
or Faggots peas & chips. Mince pies to be given by committee.
Miss Edwards to be asked to judge competition at supper.

E. Bryan 3rd. January 1956

January 3rd
1956

A Committee meeting was held at Mrs Coborn's
on Tuesday, Jan 3rd with the President in the
chair and all members present. Minutes were read
and signed. Mrs Maddocks being unable to
demonstrate embroidery in Oct it was agreed to
ask Miss L Edwards to do this. The County
Letter was then read, also a very nice letter of
thanks from Miss Marsh for a gift from the compassionate
fund. Miss Crosson proposed and Mrs Legg
seconded that 4 doz Bethlehem Carol Sheets be
bought for use in the Institute. Each member
of the committee kindly offered to give contributions
Pickles butter etc and to lend articles
required for use at Supper. Mrs E & F Crabb to
be asked to make bread failing this Miss Shemold

offered to do so. Other arrangements were, Mrs Wells to make tea, Mrs Osborne and Mrs Follett to cook potatoes, Mrs Legg to lend stove for cooking of potatoes, Miss Shindold to provide paper for paper hat competition and to be in charge of same, Mrs Follett to thank Miss Edwards for judging and Mrs Spencer to help clear room. Miss Crosson has given a very nice attache case for the Treasurers use.

E. Bryan 7 February 1956

February 14th
1956

A Committee meeting was held at Mrs Wells on Tues Feb 14th, with the President in the chair and ten members present, an apology was received from Mrs M J Grabb, Mins were read and signed Mrs Legg proposed and Mrs Osborne seconded that members be again given membership cards. Mrs Bryan is to attend Canvas Embroidery class organised by the Handicraft guild. The County Letter and Resolutions for the Half Yearly Council were read also a letter from Miss Edwards accepting our invitation to give a demonstration of embroidery stitches in October. Mrs Osborne is to attend the Press Correspondents meeting in Dorchester. Arrangements for Feb meeting were, Mrs Wells to meet

and thank speaker. Mrs Barker to be asked to judge Competition. Mrs Legg to take charge of Whist Drive and provide prizes. Mrs Gullett to help clear room. March meeting. Tea hostess Mrs Gullett. Mrs Wells to be in charge of parcel game. Miss Shimeld kindly offered at very short notice to take a part in a play, so that we may enter the Group Drama Festival being held in March. The question of hiring out the Piano to any other organization was reconsidered and it was decided to charge 5/- an evening, with the request that, Any damage it might receive during the period of hire be made good by Hires. A notice of the group meeting to be held at Bradpole in March was given by Mrs Osborne.

E. Bryan 6 March 1956.

March

A Committee meeting was held on March 5th at Miss Shimelds with all members present and the President in the Chair, the minutes were read and signed. Mrs Osborne reported she had attended the Press conference at Dorchester. Several members offered to give any help required with curtains etc at the Drama Festival. The piano having become useless it was decided that Mrs Bryan should

contact Mr Gatheridge with a view of finding out the cost of repair to same. A reminder of the group meeting at Bradpole was given and items from the County Letter read, also the preliminary agenda of the Annual General Meeting. A list of names were made of the people we wish to elect for the Executive Committee. It was decided the broken chairs in the Hut should be sold on the stall for firewood, and that members be asked to suggest who should be invited to our Birthday Party and which charity should be helped this year. Mrs D J Legg to act as hostess to speaker and also to be Tea Hostess in April with Miss Marsh Mrs Pavey and Miss Follett as helpers. Date of next committee to be altered to April 5th owing to clashing with Easter.

E. Bryan. 5 April 1956

April 5th 1956 A Committee meeting was held at Mrs Leggs on April 5th with the President in the Chair, apologies were received from Miss Shemeld, Mrs Wells and Mrs Spences. The mins were read and signed. Arising from mins, The cost of piano repair being so high, the committee felt it would be better to get rid of it and buy records for the gramophone, it was left for the members to decide

Lodges having won the group Bursary, Miss Crosson proposed two Bursaries be given this year and none next to make it possible for Mrs Legg and Mrs Osborne to go together. Mrs Legg proposed we help the Cancer Campaign this year, this to be decided by members. The County Letter and Resolutions for the Half Yearly Council were read Mrs M J Crabb offered to go as Delegate to this, a letter was read from Beaminster offering transport. Birthday Party arrangements were Mrs Bryan to make birthday cake and to ask Mr Barber if he would be willing to show a film. Proposals for the outing were also made the question of this and also if W & A lectures should be arranged to be put to the general meeting. Mrs Jollett to thank Miss Wilkinson and Mrs Legg to help clear room at April meeting. May meeting. Mrs Olive Legg to be hostess with Mrs McGill, Mrs R Hyde and Mrs Knight as helpers.

E. Bryan 1st May 1956

May 1st

A Committee was held at Miss Crossons on May 1st with the President in the Chair and all members present, the mins were read and signed. Arising from mins, it was agreed to get rid of piano for what it will fetch, in village if possible. Mrs Legg and Mrs Osborne have chosen the courses

at Denman College they wish to attend. A letter from Mrs Davis was read informing us the Group wish to meet here on the 22nd Oct. Mrs Bryan agreed to book Hut for this. Netherbury members having accepted the invitation to our Birthday Party, arrangements for the party were. Miss Shimield and Mrs Tollett to be in charge of games, Mrs Legg and Coborne Food Members to be asked to lend small tables. The Agenda and resolutions for the Albert Hall meeting were read also the County Letter and all enclosures. It was decided to nominate the Misses Wickham, Woodroffe, Mattison, Gurnell and Mrs Gesty to the DFWI Executive Committee and Miss Woodroffe to the Consultative Council. May Meeting, Mrs Coborne to be Hostess to Speaker Proposal to be put to Members, that money raised by special effort, be shared between Charity and the Dorset Federation. The Committee agreed to a suggestion that the WI offer to provide a much needed Litter Basket for Asherwell Square. Cutting. It being found impossible to visit Fry's Chocolate Factory, Mrs Legg proposed a visit to Poole Pottery, this to be suggested to Members

E. Bryan. 5 June 1956.

June 5th 1956

A committee meeting was held at Mrs Bryans on Tuesday June 5th. Apologies were received from Mrs W G Crabb and Miss Croxson. Mins were read and signed arising from mins. A litter basket has been purchased for Asherswell, all the Ladies proposed for the Executive Committee have accepted nomination. Notice of the summer group meeting was again given also that Members have chosen Exeter and Sidmouth for their outing. The County Letter was read. A letter has been received from J S Fry & Sons offering July 16th 1956 as a date when members may visit their works, it was decided to accept this and also an invitation from Budport W J to take part in a Debate in November. Final arrangements for the Birthday Party were made. A schedule was drawn up for the Produce show in September and it was decided to ask Miss Richardson to judge Preserves, cakes and Flowers and Mr David Crabb to judge the vegetable classes. Tea Hostess for July to be Mrs Osborne with Miss Smelt Mrs Ena Crabb and Mrs Gale as helpers.

E. Bryan 3rd July 1956

July 3rd
1956

A Committee meeting was held at Mrs Wells on Tuesday July 3rd. Apologies were received from

Miss Croxson and Mrs Spencer. The mins were read & signed. Arising from Mins, it was reported that it is being found difficult to fill the bus for the outing, an offer of seats to their outing has been received from Powersstock W.I. The President thanked all members for their help at the Birthday Party, Mrs Legg handed in £15.6^d profit on teas. The Committee expressed thanks to Mrs Bryan for the lovely Birthday cake she made and said. The County Letter and the Resolutions for the Annual Council were read also an offer from the Wool Secretariat of a lecture and filmstrip, given free, it was decided to ask if we could have this in Feb or March 1954. Bring and buy sale in August. Mrs Legg proposed the proceeds be given to the Cancer Campaign and our own Federation, this was accorded by several members. Mrs Wells kindly promised a box of groceries for raffle Mrs Legg and Mrs Osborne to be in charge of teas, Mrs Crabb & Mrs Taylor Produce. Other stalls rest of Committee. Mrs Legg to ask Mr Willmott to put notice of sale in Parish notes and also to ask Miss Crabb if she would tell fortunes for amusement and to make a small profit. There will be no charge for admission. Produce Show. Each committee members agreed to write several schedules

Miss Richardson and Mr Crabb have agreed to act as judges. July Meeting, Mrs Wells to be Hostess to speaker, and Miss Shemeld to organise sketching game.

E. Bryan 7 Aug 1956

August 14th

A Committee meeting was held at Mrs Leggs on Tuesday August 14th, with all members present. The minutes were read and signed. Arising, the President reported the outing was a great success and several members had arranged to go with the Powerstock W.I. to Bristol.

A lecture by the Wool Secretariat has been booked for ~~March 12th 1954~~ March 12th 1954. It was decided to try and book a Lecture on Laminated Plastics for May 14th 1954. Final arrangements were made for the Sale. Mrs Legg offered to lend a screen for the Fortune Teller.

September Show. Entries to be given to any member of the Committee by September 14th, and Produce to be in the Hall by 20 o'clock. Miss Shemeld to be Tea Hostess in September with Mrs Marsh Mrs Thomas and Mrs G Newberry as helpers.

Miss Crosson proposed and Mrs Bohorn seconded that Miss Macombie be co-opted on to the committee all members agreed to this being done. Mrs D Legg kindly offered to see if her husband could repair the Urn.

E. Bryan 4 Sept 1956

Sept 4th

A committee meeting was held at Mrs Osborne on Sept 4th with the President in the Chair, apologies were received from Mrs Wells and Mrs D Legg. Mins were read and signed arising Mrs Spencer reported the sale was a great success making 22 £ 50 - 6^d. It was decided to donate 11 £ to the Cancer Campaign. Members were pleased to hear Miss Mc Combie has accepted the invitation to serve on Committee. Mrs Legg and Mrs Osborne have been accepted for Denman College and will go on the 10th Sept. Mr R Legg has very kindly repaired the Urn. An invitation has been received from Skipton Gorge to a talk by the Wool Secretariat on Sept 27th. It is hoped Miss Crosson and Mrs Mc Combie will take part in the Debate in Bridport in Nov. The County Letter was read and enclosed notices, Produce Show, it was decided that visitors could be brought to see this. Mrs Gullett and Mrs Spencer offered to help get the room ready. Next committee to be held at Mrs Spencers. October meeting Tea Hostess Mrs Spencer with Mrs G Newberry, Mrs Barker and Mrs Willmott as helpers, Mrs Crabb to be responsible for Memory test game at Produce Show.

2nd. October 1956. E. Bryan.

Oct 9th

A committee meeting was held at Mrs Spencers on Oct 2nd. With the President in the chair, apologies were received from Mrs M & Bratt and Miss Mc Combie, Mins were read and signed, arising, Mrs Legg will give a report of her visit to Denman College at the Oct Meeting and Mrs Boborne will give a report at the Group meeting. Mrs Taylor will second Miss Croxson at the proposed debate in Nov. An invitation was received from Black Down to their party and names were drawn for this. A letter was received from Beaminster offering transport to the A G M in Weymouth this has been accepted, It was agreed to pay transport back to Bridport for the Wool Secretariat Lecturer in March. The County Letter, notices, and the agenda of the Weymouth meeting were read and discussed, and the voting paper of County Executive Committee was completed. Mrs Legg agreed to be responsible for the tea at the group meeting and also to propose a vote of thanks to Miss Edwards at the Oct meeting. Miss Croxson to be tea Hostess in November with Miss Shemeld to help. Proposed date for the Annual Sales Nov 24th. Date of Nov committee

meeting altered to Oct 30th, as it clashes
with the Debate in Bradford. Committee to
be held at Mrs Leggs.

In L Wells. Oct 30. 1956.

Oct 30th

A committee meeting was held at Mrs Leggs on Oct 30th
with the Vice President in the chair an apology was
received from Mrs Bryan. As the committee was held
a week early there was no County Letter to discuss.
As Miss Croxon is leaving Miss Shimeld agreed to act
as Tea Hostess in Nov also to be Hostess to Mrs Webb
the speaker. Mrs D J Legg offered to help with teas and
to get room ready for meeting. Mrs Webb to be thanked
by Miss Mc Combie, Mrs Tollett and Miss Mc Combie to
organise game. November Sale. To be opened at
3 PM by Miss Smelt if possible, failing this Miss
Mc Combie offered to do so. Stall holders to be:
New Stall Mrs Tollett, Mrs Spencer, Miss Mc Combie,
Teas. Mrs Legg, Mrs Osborne. Cakes Miss Shimeld
Mrs M J Crabb. Produce Mrs D J Legg Mrs Taylor.
Mrs Thomas to be asked by Mrs Legg to undertake
charge of Bran tub. Raffle to be arranged
later. Entrance Fee Adults 3d Children 2d.
Offers of help to get room ready on Saturday morning
were received from Mrs D J Legg Miss Shimeld Miss
Mc Combie. Mrs O Legg to be responsible for her

own requirements. Programme. Mrs Barber recitation
Miss Mc Combie, childrens entertainment, Mrs Taylor
recitation. Mrs Follett and Miss Shimeld childrens
games. Mr Taylor to be Father Xmas.

1954 Programme, it was decided to do nothing about
altering day of meeting in view of the fact that some
items were already booked and it would be very
difficult to alter these. Items for the 1954 Programme
were discussed and agreed on, it was decided to
still continue the Best Flower in my garden competition.

H Taylor 20.11.56

Nov 20th

On Nov 20th a committee meeting was held at
Pine Cottage with the newly elected President
Mrs Taylor in the Chair. 9 members were present.
The election of officers took place. Miss Smelt
Vice President & in charge of Compassionate Fund,
Mrs Legg Secretary, Mrs Spencer Treasurer, Mrs
Osborne Press correspondent, Mrs Pavey Home &
Country, Mrs Follett Produce & Handicraft Sec,
Miss Follett Competitions, Mrs M. J. Crabb Stall
holder, Mrs Siltman Link correspondent,
Mrs Osborne & Mrs M. J. Crabb Group Delegates.
The minutes were read & signed, & the Programme
for the Nov sale drawn up. An apology for
absence was received from Miss Shimeld &

a letter from M^{rs} Knight to say she thought she had better not to join the Committee as she might not be able to attend very often, because of leaving the children, but all agreed, to ask her to re-consider it & bring the children along as well. There was no County letter to discuss as the meeting was held earlier than usual. Arrangements for the Dec meeting were, M^{rs} M. J. Brabb tea hostess, & M^{rs} O. B. Legg, M^{rs} & Miss Pitchers helpers. Miss Smelt to thank the Demonstrator & to ask M^{rs} Willmott to conduct the Carol singing. M^{rs} Bryan & M^{rs} Knight were the winners of the year's competitions. The President said that owing to the higher price of things, she would propose that the Sec be allowed 2[£] at a time, & this was adopted. M^{rs} Legg was asked to price various things for the Supper in January. The next Committee meeting to be at M^{rs} Osborne's on Jan 1st.

N Taylor 1.1.54.

Jan 1st 1954

On January 1st a Committee meeting was held at M^{rs} Osborne's, The President was in the Chair, & 8 members present.

Committee for 1956

		Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June
President	Mrs Bryan	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Vice "	Mrs Wells	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Sec	Mrs Taylor	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Treas	Mrs Spences	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Press	Mrs Osborne	✓	✓	✓	✓				
	Mrs M F Brett	✓	✓	✓					
	Miss Broocom	✓	✓	✓					
	Mrs Follett	✓	✓	✓	✓				
	Mrs O Legg	-	✓	✓	✓				
	Mrs D J Legg	✓	✓	✓	✓				
	Miss Shumald	✓	-	✓	✓				