

The proposed new city was discussed, and the following were reasons suggested why it should not be built in this area.

(a) Water supply. (b) The suggested site is the first bit of real country on A4. (from London)  
(c) High quality farm land. (d) Building would seriously disturb the amenities - river, hills etc - which many local people have come here to gain.  
It was suggested that we should word a proposal on these lines and bring it before the meeting next week; also circulate it to other W.I.s Hungerford, Kintbury, West Woodhay, Eubane and Hampstead Harshalt.

E. Martin. May 12<sup>th</sup> 1964.

#### Committee Meeting May 12<sup>th</sup> 1964.

The meeting was held at my house on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 2.30 pm. Mrs Martin presided and all members were present. The minutes of the April meeting were read and signed.

The proposed new city was discussed and a letter received from the Ministry of Housing was read. Miss Burn suggested that everyone should protest personally.

The AGM resolutions were read.

The Mine for which Lutpen was 2<sup>nd</sup> place at the Group meeting was discussed.

The June meeting to be held at Homeacres was discussed. The speaker will be Miss Cumming and it was decided to ask her for suggestions for a demonstration.

It was decided to book a coach to go to the pageant in Reading to be given by the Berkshire Shakespeare Players on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June.

The Evergreen club transport was discussed and it was suggested that we might have a jumble sale to raise money for a taxi.

E. Martin. June 9<sup>th</sup> 1964.

#### Committee Meeting June 9<sup>th</sup> 1964

The meeting was held at my house on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30 pm. Mrs Martin presided. Miss Burn, Mrs Home and Mrs Thomas were unable to attend.

The minutes of the May meeting were read and approved.

The visit to Homeacres was discussed. The competition is to be the Prethick brooch which is to be pinned into a piece of white paper.

The July meeting was discussed. The



speakers will be Mr Sherrard on roses & the competition is to be three roses.

Various Produce Guild dates were announced by Mrs Bawtree.

The July Committee meeting will be on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs Martin reported that the sale of silver paper & milk bottle tops produces enough money each year to have between 25-30 dogs for the blind.

Mrs Bawtree agreed to attend the Newbury show committee meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> June if Miss Benn is unable to go.

It was decided to have a jumble sale to raise money to pay for a taxi to take the Evergreen club members to Kintbury for their meetings each month.

E.A. Martin July 15<sup>th</sup>

#### Committee meeting 15<sup>th</sup> July 1964.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July. Mr Thomas, Mrs Bawtree and Mr Butler were unable to attend. The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved.

~~It was agreed to send~~ <sup>the</sup> a bouquet of yellow

flowers <sup>sent</sup> to Mr & Mrs Goodhart who celebrate their golden wedding on July 15<sup>th</sup> was discussed. It was arranged by Mrs Fawcett & delivered by Mrs Martin.

The July meeting was discussed.

The Jumble Sale to be held on 25<sup>th</sup> July to raise money for various projects concerning the old folk of Lutken was discussed. It was hoped that there would be plenty of helpers this time. Mrs Edwards agreed to provide £7 of change. It was suggested that the anything left over from the jumble sale should be sent to the appeal for Thalidomide babies.

The Newbury Show was discussed with special reference to the competition.

The W.I. Jubilee Book and goblet were discussed. E.A. Martin. Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> 1964.

#### Committee Meeting 8<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1964.

The meeting was held at Ivy House, on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September at 2.30 pm. Mrs Bawtree was unable to attend. The minutes of the July meeting were read and signed. It was decided not to co-opt ~~and~~ new members on to the committee at present to take



The place of Mrs Star who has left the district.

Letters were read from Hamstead Marshall W.I. in acknowledgement of our letter regarding the proposed New City, and from Mrs Rees thanking the Institute for the flowers sent her after the death of her daughter Tracey.

Miss Busu talked about the Newbury Show Competition and the question of staging was discussed. Miss Busu also asked Members to support the produce stall in the W.I. tent.

The social help hour for the group meeting on 30th September was discussed. Mrs Martin suggested a play.

Mrs Martin read a questionnaire about Sing Service and several suggestions were put forward.

It was suggested that postage should be free on mail sent to charitable institutions and it was thought a resolution to this effect might be sent to head office.

E.A. Martin

October 13<sup>th</sup> 1964

### Committee Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> October 1964

Ivy house was again the meeting place of the Committee on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30 pm. Mrs Martin presided and all members were present except Mrs Thomas.

The minutes of the September meeting were read and approved.

The meeting to be held on October 20<sup>th</sup> was discussed and recipes for the cake competition were distributed. It was decided that a rather better prize than usual should be given if there are sufficient entries. Members from West Woodhay are to be invited to the meeting. Mrs Thomas and Mrs Bent will be tea hostesses.

The competition about the Newbury Show, in which Inkpen were ~~the~~ out of 18 entries, was discussed. It was agreed that the materials used in staging the display should be paid for out of the Institute's funds.

Mrs Bowtee agreed to the suggestion that she should be nominated to the Newbury Show Committee.

Mrs Martin said everyone enjoyed the Group meeting but that it was too long. She said that it had been agreed that the Group



Committee meeting that the winning entry for the competition and Boxfords entry which gained full marks should be sent to Home and Country.

It was also suggested at the Group Committee meeting that Institutes might share a coach to visit Lady Hart-Dykes silk farm next year.

Members were reminded that orders for the Jubilee Goblet must be given in at the next meeting.

It was decided that the Institute should give a party for the old folks of Inkepen on Saturday December 12<sup>th</sup>.

Next year's programme was discussed and a number of suggestions put forward. It was agreed to hold a meeting at Black Latches on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30 pm. All Committee <sup>Members</sup> who have ideas were invited to attend.

E. A. Martin

Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>

### Committee Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> November 1964.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 2.30 p.m. Mrs Martin presided and 9 Members were present. Miss Bush was unable to attend.

The Minutes of the October meeting were read and signed.

The November meeting was discussed. It was agreed that the Committee should be responsible for the tea and Mrs Jackson offered to make the birthday cake and the cost of the ingredients should be taken from the Institute funds. It was decided that ~~visitors~~ friends should be invited and about 8 school children. The entertainment is a percussion band and it was thought that some instruments might be borrowed from the school. Mrs Corpe is to be asked to judge the competition for a soft toy.

It was agreed that a tin should be provided at the November meeting to collect Members contributions to the National Executive.

It was decided to have a bring and buy stall to raise money for the Fair close appeal.

The Jubilee year celebrations were discussed. The bazaar to be held on 21<sup>st</sup> November was discussed and Members were asked to support the various stalls.

The old folks party was discussed. It was decided to make a list of all people of



reasonable age and that written invitations should be sent to them. It was agreed that the Produce Guild should be responsible for decorating the hall.

It was decided that two resolutions might be sent for consideration for next year's AGM. if it is not too late.

Mrs Bawtree agreed to attend the General meeting of the Newbury Show if Miss Burn is not home in June to go.

#### Committee Meeting 25<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1964.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 2.30 pm.

Mrs Martin presided and the following members were present: - Mrs Edwards, Mrs Bent, Mrs Bawtree, Mrs Jackson, Mrs Homes, and Miss Edwards.

The meeting was called in order to make the final arrangements for the old folks party to be held on 12<sup>th</sup> December.

Invitations are to be sent to 130 people & it was decided to cater for 80. All members present offered to make sandwiches, scones & cakes and it was agreed that the cost

should be taken from the Institute funds.

The Produce Guild is to be responsible for the decorations which should include balloons. It was decided to provide <sup>Cigarettes</sup> sweets rather than crackers and ~~cigarettes~~. It was decided to give a few small prizes for the games played.

It was agreed that transport should be provided and that the party should start at 3.30 pm.

J.A. Martin. Jan. 12. 65.

#### Committee Meeting 12<sup>th</sup> January 1965

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Jan. at 2.30 pm. Mrs Martin presided and the following members were present: Miss Burn, Mrs Edwards, Mrs Bent, Mrs Bawtree, Mrs Jackson, Mrs Homes, Mrs Butler and Miss Edwards.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

The January meeting was discussed. The speaker is Miss Reid or mine and the competition will be a drawing game to be done on the spot. Mrs Homes and Miss Edwards will be tea hostesses.

It was agreed that a letter should be



sent to everyone in the village who owns a car and who might be able to help with transport the members of the Evergreen Club to and from their meetings.

The scrapbook competition was discussed and a number of suggestions were put forward. Mrs Martin showed members the excellent book she has bought for sticking the scraps into. It received unanimous approval.

Mrs Edwards asked members to give her a list of their expenses incurred for the Old Folks party

Viola Bent 9.2.65.

#### Committee Meeting 9th Feb. 1965.

The Committee meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 9th Feb. at 2.30 pm. Owing to the absence of both the President and Vice-President Mrs Bent took the chair. Mrs Edwards, Mrs Homes and Mrs Butler were also present.

The minutes of the January meeting were read and signed. The February meeting was discussed.

Mrs Edwards reported that the expenses incurred for the Old Peoples party amounted to just over £5.

It was agreed to send flowers to Mrs Thomas who is in hospital. Mrs Edwards is ~~unable~~ to attend to this.

Mrs Butler said there is to be a jumble sale run by the Village Hall Committee on 26th March. It is hoped that the W.I. will support this.

It was suggested that members who attend the painting classes should belong to the Art Guild.

The A.G.M. at the Albert Hall and the Guildhall reception were discussed. It was suggested that Mrs Bawtree should be asked to be our Delegate.

The Royal Garden Party was discussed & it was agreed that the person attending should be chosen by ballot.

Mrs Butler suggested we ought to try to increase our membership. It was thought <sup>it would</sup> be a good idea if every member could bring a visitor to one of the ~~year~~ meetings during the year.

E. A. Martin 9.3.65.



### Committee Meeting 9<sup>th</sup> March, 1965

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30 pm. Mrs Martin presided and 9 Members were present. Mrs Thomas was unable to attend.

The Minutes of the February meeting were read and signed.

The AGM on 16<sup>th</sup> March was discussed. Mrs Butler and Mrs Ashton will be tea hostesses. The speaker is to be Elizabeth Tedder on Handicrafting and Mrs Bawtree, Mrs Homes, Miss Edwards and Mrs Bent agreed to be models.

It was agreed to get as many nominations for the committee as possible in order that an election could be held.

It was decided that there should be a bring and buy stall at the April meeting to raise money for the sick fund.

It was agreed that the expenses of the members attending the royal garden party should be paid for out of the funds.

Mrs Bawtree agreed to be our delegate at the Annual General meeting at the Albert Hall.

The next Produce Guild meeting will be on 6<sup>th</sup> April.

at "The Driftway" by invitation of Mrs Butler and <sup>there</sup> will be a film on gardening.

Mrs Martin is to attend the Spring Council meeting in Reading on 12<sup>th</sup> March. It is doubtful whether Mrs Selman will be able to go.

The Group meetings were discussed. Ingepen will be hostess on 28<sup>th</sup> April when the speaker will be Miss Dolphin, warden of Denman College.

It was agreed that an inventory of the Institute's crockery should be made before it is transferred to the new cupboard.

It was suggested that for our Jubilee celebration we might invite an Institute from another County and show them our beauty spots and gardens & give them tea. Mrs Bawtree suggested we invite Over Norton near Chipping Norton in Oxfordshire, and this was agreed.

E.A. Martin.

12.4.65.



Committee Meeting 12th April 1965

Six members of the newly-elected Committee of 8 met at Ivy House on 12th April at 2.30 p.m. Mrs. Martin presided and in Mrs Bent's absence <sup>(electing)</sup> Mrs Sawtee acted as secretary - she also agreed to keep Mrs. Bent in this office when necessary. Miss Burn was unable to attend (holiday)

The minutes of the March meeting were read and confirmed.

Unanimously re-elected as Secretary and Treasurer Mrs Bent and Mrs Edwards consented to continue in office. Three new Committee members were co-opted, Mrs Bastable, Mrs Coleman and Mrs Fenmore, the secretary to send them letters advising of their appointment. Other officers delegated were:

Trading Stall: Mrs Sackman, Mrs Bastable

Press: Mrs Butler

Competitions Miss Edwards Mrs Fenmore.

It was agreed that two Committee members should be responsible for the Social Day Hour and Mrs <sup>Homer</sup> Coleman offered to fill his position with Mrs Coleman as assistant.

The next monthly meeting is to be at the Village Hall on April 20th at 2.30, Hostesses

Mrs. Sackman and Miss Carter, Mrs Martin supplementing with scones and cakes. A reminder was sent to the speaker, Miss Stanley Smith and the competition to be a new nursery rhyme. It was decided to have a Bring & Buy stall for the sick fund. The Committee recommended a list of all members for the teas - this idea to be put forward at the next meeting. Also it was agreed that Committee members should take it in turn to give the vote of thanks to the speaker to avoid confusion and alarm. The list was drawn up as follows:  
April Miss Burn, May Mrs Bastable, June Mrs Coleman, July Mrs Edwards, September Miss Edwards, October Mrs Fenmore, November Mrs Homer, December Mrs Martin, January Mrs Sawtee, February Mrs Bent, March Mrs Butler  
Mrs Edwards stated that membership had dwindled to 21, but on reflection it was disclosed that these 21 represented <sup>only</sup> those members who had paid their subscriptions, and it was agreed to send a gentle reminder to those who had overlooked payment. A further discussion on membership resulted in a decision to compile a letter of welcome and information about the movement to many prospective members in the village.



The invitation to West Woodhay on 13th April was discussed and Mrs Martin offered to contact Mrs Coleman and Miss Burns for the transport of other members. Miss Edwards offered a lift one way.

Arrangements for the Group outing to the sick farm on 10th May were in hand, and Mrs Bent left word that the approximate inclusive cost would be given out at the April meeting.

Mrs Martin read the letter of protest at the Lincolnholt development scheme written by Lincolnholt v Vernham Dean W.I., and members are to be asked at the meeting if they would like to endorse these views.

The evergreen topic of Evergreens transport was gone through once again, several papers to be filed.

For the Group Meeting competition (April 28th) it was decided to ask Mrs. Faussett, Mrs Goodhart, & Misses Watts & Burns to prepare the parcels. Mrs Nones said she would buy a prize costing not more than 7/6 for the Raffle and for the tea members to be asked

to contribute for the 80-100 expected. Chairs to be loaned, and offers of golden flowers solicited. Letter from Chipping Norton W.I. accepting our invitation for a golden day on July 27th was read and arrangements to be finalised nearer the time.

E.A. Martin. May 12.

#### Committee Meeting 12th May 1965

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Wednesday 12th May at 2.30. Mrs Martin presided and 9 members were present. Mrs Coleman and Fenemore were unable to attend.

The Minutes of the April meeting were read and signed. Arising <sup>out</sup> of the Minutes Mrs Edwards reported that the Bring a Bury stall in aid of the Sick fund realised £2-2-2d. Mrs Bambee suggested that the name "Sick fund" should be altered, and "Sunshine fund" was suggested.

Mrs Martin welcomed Mrs Bastable who is a new Committee member.

The president thanked everyone who had helped to make the group meeting such a success.

The May meeting was discussed. The Speaker



will be Mrs Footitt, V.C.O. Mrs Martin reads the four resolutions which are to be discussed. The Competition is to be Knitted Squares.

Mrs Bent and Mrs Bastable will be in charge of the refreshments. It was suggested that in future our Committee members should do the refreshments with a non-Committee Member.

The Newbury show was discussed. Miss Benn will not be arranging the Competition this year. Mrs Fawcett is to be asked to take over from Miss Benn and Mrs Butler agreed to help her.

It was suggested that extra copies of the latest "Home & Country" should be bought for new members. It was also suggested that we might have a  $\frac{1}{2}$  yearly news sheet to bring those members who seldom attend the meetings up to date.

The outing of the Produce Guild to the Saville Gardens was discussed and arrangements for transport made. It was agreed that each passenger should pay 4/- towards the cost of the petrol.

E.A. Martin

June 8<sup>th</sup> 1965

### Committee Meeting 8<sup>th</sup> June 1965

The meeting was held at Ivy house at 2.30 pm on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June. Mrs Martin presided and 7 Members were present. Miss Benn, Mrs Butler, Mrs Fenimore and Mrs Bastable were unable to attend. Mrs Martin welcomed Mrs Coleman who is a new Committee Member. The Minutes of the May meeting were read and signed.

The June meeting was discussed. Mrs Bowtee will be in the chair. The exhibition is to be of Reports. The vote of thanks to the speaker - Miss Rooke of the Uckenden Venture, will be given by Mrs Coleman. It was agreed to invite Members of the Mothers' Union to the meeting.

The Jubilee Celebrations at Easthamstead Park were discussed. It is hoped that 6 Members will act as stewards.

The party to be given on July 27<sup>th</sup> for Members of Over Norton Institute was discussed & it was decided to give them lunch in our homes and take them up to the beach in the afternoon. Tea will be held at New Hill.

E.A. Martin  
July 13<sup>th</sup> 1965.



Committee Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> July 1965.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 2.30 p.m. Mrs Martin presided and all Members were present.

Mrs Fawcett was invited to the meeting to discuss details of the Newbury Show Competition of which Mrs Fawcett and Mrs Butler are in charge. Many suggestions were put forward and it was decided to have a cocktail party with possibly a picture as background. A decanter of home made wine would also be judged together with a floral arrangement and two items of food. Mrs Fawcett & Mrs Butler have agreed to lay out some ideas and report when a special committee meeting will be arranged to discuss the matter further.

The Minutes of the June meeting were read and signed.

The July meeting was discussed. Mrs Bawtree and Miss Burn will be in charge of refreshments.

The visit of W.I. Members from Over Norton on 27<sup>th</sup> July was discussed and a number of people offered to provide lunch & tea. It was suggested that if the day is wet we might take them to Littlecot. Tea will be at New

Mill by invitation of Mrs Goodhart.

The competition for the Autumn Group meeting was discussed. Details of this will be arranged later.

Names of Members going to Easthampstead Park on 16<sup>th</sup> July were taken, also the names of those who are acting as stewards on 17<sup>th</sup> July.

E.A. Martin.

Sep. 14.

Committee Meeting 14<sup>th</sup> July <sup>Sep.</sup> Ivy House 2.30 pm

In the absence of our very efficient Secretary, Mrs Bawtree took the minutes of the meeting, 10 members being present and Mrs Martin presiding. Apologies were received from Mrs Bent and Mrs Homes.

Mrs Fawcett attended for the first part of the meeting to discuss final details for our entry at Newbury Show. She disclosed that the wine would not be judged, so three items of food to be prepared by Miss Edwards, Mrs Fawcett and Mrs Bawtree.

Miss Burn made a plea for offers of cakes, jams, garden produce etc. for sale at the Show, and she pointed out that these ~~and~~ pods and the raffle helped to cover the cost of the tent. There were many offers of all kinds of produce.

Mrs Martin brought forward the questionnaire of



The countryside with relation to our village of Inkpen - she had found that the population of the village was 717, with 500 on the electoral roll and the conclusion that there were not many young people (looking round, and off the record I refute this, as the young in heart are the sack of Inkpen). Sixteen new houses had been built.

Letters were read from Mr Norton members expressing great appreciation of our Golden Jubilee Day and many said it was the best outing they had had. (Some <sup>rather acid,</sup> ~~from~~ <sup>from</sup> their secretary, but did you go to Waddesdon) Getting down to brass tacks, or rather silver coins, it was revealed that in the excitement of the day some members had not paid their entrance to Littlecote, and it was decided that the 12 Mr Norton entries should be paid for out of funds of - not even a pound from Mrs Edwards at the prospect of stumping up 30/-

The Jubilee Sale for raising money for our Golden Jubilee Effort of cleaning the village pond amounted to £25/15/9.

The September meeting was to be

Members' Day and Mrs Selman promised a meeting with a difference. Mrs Faussett agreed to keep her. The judging of the Harvest Festival Basket to be the general decision of members. For the Golden Jubilee Competition for October, it was to be a Golden Jubilee apron - manna ma. For the Autumn Council meeting on October 7th, Mrs. Coleman said she would be willing to take Mrs. Bastable and Mrs. Ashton, seems to be arranged between them. (Can't read the next bit in the minutes. Diaries to be collected.

The picture for the Group meeting was then discussed and arrangements for detail put in the capable hands of Mrs Martin. Mrs. Fenmore urged that next year's programme should be got under weigh immediately.

Mrs. Edwards reported that there were 25 members, and it was agreed that <sup>to the next mtg.</sup> committee members should bring a list of proposed new members to whom a letter should be sent giving an



small picture of our activities.  
Proposed as a new member by  
Mrs Martin was Mrs Burt of  
Lound Cottays, seconded by Mrs Burt.  
Further discussions on the  
aforementioned letter brought the  
suggestion that any new prospective  
members should attend meetings  
till the end of the <sup>year</sup> financial  
year at 6d. a time.

B.A. Martin Oct. 12.

#### Committee Meeting 12<sup>th</sup> October, 1965.

The meeting was held at "Woodwind"  
by invitation of Mrs Martin. Mrs Martin was  
in the chair and nine members were present.  
Mrs Coleman & Mrs Fenimore were unable to  
attend.

The Minutes of the September meeting were  
read and signed.

Mrs Bowker handed Mrs Martin a list  
of prospective new members and these were  
discussed. It was decided that a letter  
should be sent to them and others  
inviting them to our next meeting.

Mrs Bowker suggested that we have a

notice board at the post office where all  
the activities taking place in the month  
could be displayed.

Mrs Edwards reported that the final  
sum raised at the jumble sale was  
£26-18-3d.

The meeting to be held on 19<sup>th</sup> October  
was discussed. The speaker will be Mrs  
McTear on Customs & Costumes of India.  
Mrs Butler will meet Mrs McTear at Kintbury  
station. The competition is to be a Golden  
Tubilee Apron. The vote of thanks will be  
given by Mrs Edwards or by Mrs Homes if  
Mrs Edwards is unwell.

\* The produce Guild meeting to be held in  
Newbury on 21<sup>st</sup> October at 2 pm was  
discussed & members were asked to provide  
a plate of biscuits in which the sum of  
1/6d could be charged.

Mrs Martin suggested that this year  
written requests put forward some proposals  
in resolutions to be discussed at next year's  
AGM. Three subjects were suggested: -

- (1) That parcels & letters in aid of good  
causes should be sent <sup>at a reduced rate.</sup> ~~free of charge.~~
- (2) That it should be made illegal to send



unasked for books of stamps & Christmas cards to householders through the post.

(2) That copper piping in buildings should not be permitted unless the pipes are lined. (Mrs Butler undertook to find out whether in fact this is always done)

The afternoon ended with a dress rehearsal of the Tableaux to be used for the competition to be held at the Group meeting at Stockcross on October 13<sup>th</sup>.

\* The final arrangements for the Group meeting at Stockcross on October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm were made.

E.A. Martin. Nov. 9.

### Committee Meeting 9<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1965

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> Nov. at 2.30 pm. Mrs Martin presided & 7 members were present. Apologies were received from Miss Bush, Mrs Butler & Mrs Coleman who were unable to attend.

The Minutes of the October meeting were read and signed.

The monthly meeting was discussed. McDougall's recipe is to be used for the fruit cake competition

Tea will be provided by the Committee & Mrs Bent & Miss Edwards will make the birthday cake.

It was agreed that the village pond should be cleaned as soon as possible & Mrs Edwards undertook to remind Mr Edwards, Chairman of the parish Council. West Woodhay have invited Members to a coffee morning at W.W. House on 30<sup>th</sup> Nov. in aid of Institute funds.

The next Produce Guild meeting will be held at Mrs Coleman's house on 30<sup>th</sup> Nov. at 2. p.m. when there will be a demonstration of sweet making.

The new Notice Board was discussed. Mrs Bastable is to arrange to have it made by the Kirby Estate Carpenters.

The programme for 1966 was discussed. It was agreed that the Committee should meet on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Nov. at 2.30 pm at Black Latches by invitation of Mrs Bent.

Members were reminded of the bazaar to be held in the village hall on 11<sup>th</sup> December and asked to support the various stalls.

It was agreed to send a bunch of Rosemary to the funeral of Mrs Palmer Tomkinson



who was an Institute Member for many years.

E.A. Martin. Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> 66.

### Committee Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> Jan. 1966.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January. Mrs Martin presided and 7 members were present. Mrs Homes, Mrs Fensmore and Mrs Coleman were unable to attend.

The minutes of the November meeting were taken as read.

Mrs Edwards reported that the cost to the Institute for cleaning the village pond will be £13.19-9d

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Mrs Martin said that Mrs Angell who has recently come to live in Lutphen would like to join the Institute.

It was agreed to hold a Produce Guild meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in February at Miss Edwards' and would be a demonstration of patching making. These arrangements are subject to Mrs Coleman's approval.

It was agreed to obtain 4 tickets for the Carefree Committee coffee morning to be held in Newbury on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February from 10.30 am to 12.30 p.m.

An invitation has been received from Stockcross to their meeting on March 2<sup>nd</sup> when there will be a talk on sensible skinning.

Mrs Martin drew members' <sup>attention</sup> to the Golden request show to be held in Reading on Wed. 2<sup>nd</sup> March + Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. All seats are bookable from 1<sup>st</sup> February.

It was agreed to write to Mrs Pike to congratulate her on receiving the C.B.E. in the New Years honours list.

The Golden Jubilee Scrap Book Competition was discussed + Mrs Butler agreed to have copies made of various photographs

\* It was agreed to accept Miss Coleman's kind offer of irises to plant round the pond. It was also suggested we might plant a weeping willow and possibly some rushes.

Mrs Martin + Mrs Bent will provide the food for the January meeting + Mrs Bustable the milk + Mrs Butler offered to help prepare + serve the tea. It was suggested that the refreshments had become too elaborate + that these should be considerably reduced. It was suggested that the hostesses might be arranged on



The rota system.

E.A. Martin Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> 1966

Committee Meeting 8<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1966

The meeting was held at ~~The Old Par~~ Ivy House on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 1966 at 2.30 pm. Mrs Martin Presided and 6 Members were present. Miss Burn, Mrs Coleman, Mrs Bastable and Mrs Fenemore were unable to attend.

The Minutes of the January meeting were read and approved.

The February meeting was discussed. A number of Members are to be asked if they will provide coloured slides. Miss M. Watts is to be asked to judge the competition for a bowl of bulbs. Tea hostesses will be Mrs Heal & Miss Edwards.

Members were reminded that nominations for the new Committee are now due.

Invitations from Stockcross and Boxford W.I.s were read. Mrs Butler & Miss Edwards said they would like to go.

Mrs Martin gained most marks for the competitions in 1965 with Miss Burn 2<sup>nd</sup> & Mrs Best 3<sup>rd</sup>.

E.A. Martin

March 8<sup>th</sup>

Committee Meeting 8<sup>th</sup> March, 1966.

The Meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30 p.m. Mrs Martin was in the Chair. 9 Members were present. Mrs Fenemore was unable to attend.

The Minutes of the February meeting were read and signed.

The AGM on 22<sup>nd</sup> March was discussed. It was agreed that, if an election proved necessary, Mrs Cunningham and Mrs Newton from West Woodley should be asked to act as tellers. Miss Burn and Mrs Goodhart will be Tea hostesses.

Mrs Martin is to be the Delegate to the Spring Council Meeting in Oxford on 15<sup>th</sup> March.

It was agreed that one Member should attend the area Conference at Southampton.

The President drew Members attention to the Taffa grapefruit Marmalade competition advertised in Home & Country.

Permission has now been granted for the erection of the W.I. Notice Board at the Post Office. It was agreed that the Secretary should write to Mr Astor thanking him for allowing his Carpenter to make the board.



Miss Edwards offered to order two Willow  
trees from Messrs. Smallridge, and three  
would be planted beside the village pond  
together with the ones given by Miss Coleman  
E.A. Martin. April 12.

Committee Meeting 12<sup>th</sup> April 1966.

The Meeting was held at The Old Post by  
invitation of Miss Edwards. Mrs Martin  
presided and 8 Members were present.  
Mrs Edwards and Mrs Butler were unable  
to attend.

The minutes of the March meeting were read  
and signed.

The April meeting was discussed. It was  
suggested that Mrs Cress and Miss Carter  
should be asked to provide the refreshments  
and Mrs Cress should be asked to give the vote  
of thanks.

The duties for the new committee were  
arranged as follows:—

President - Mrs Martin  
Vice-President - Mrs Butler  
Treasurer - Mrs Edwards  
Secretary - Mrs Bent  
Ass. Secretary - Miss Le Page

Social half hour - Mrs Ashton (+ Mrs Hower)  
Competitions - Miss Edwards (+ Miss Hall)  
Trading Stall - Mrs Bastable + Mrs Jackson  
Press - Mrs Bent  
Visitors - Miss Burn  
Group Reps. - Mrs Bent + Mrs Butler  
Evergreens - Mrs Bastable

The Group meeting to be held at Kintbury  
on 11<sup>th</sup> May was discussed. It was agreed  
that Mrs Goodheart should be invited to  
make something for the competition.

Produce Guild outings were discussed and  
it was decided to visit Quarry Wood on  
14<sup>th</sup> May if this date is convenient for  
Mrs Woodgate's. Members decided not to go to  
Homeacres for the egg cooking demonstration.

It was agreed that a letter of protest  
should be sent to Mr Brittain regarding  
the proposed alterations in the bus <sup>times</sup> table.

The competition for the May meeting was  
discussed. It was decided that the supper  
dish for the evening with wine 15/-  
should be sold + any produce used from  
Members own gardens should be charged at  
the market price

E.A. Martin.  
May 10<sup>th</sup> '66.



### Committee Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> May 1966

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 2.30 p.m. All members were present except Miss Le Page who was away.

The minutes of the April meeting were read & signed.

The Group meeting to be held at Kintbury on 11<sup>th</sup> May was discussed and transport arrangements were settled.

Mrs Bastable had bought the prize for the raffle. Mrs Martin agreed to give the vote of thanks to the judge, & Mrs Ashton & Mrs Jackson will look after the literature stall. The six items for the competition were chosen & arranged in Mrs Ashton's suitcase.

The proposed outing to Quarry Wood on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May was discussed. The Secretary is to ring Mrs Summons to find out whether this date is suitable.

The May meeting was discussed. Mrs Butler & Mrs Ashton are providing the refreshments. Miss Carter & Mrs Heal is to be asked to give the vote of thanks to the speaker. Mrs Fisher is to be asked to judge the

### Competition.

It was agreed to accept the invitation from Mrs Tuge to hold the July meeting in her garden.

Miss Burn told Members the arrangements which she has made for Stewards at the Royal Counties Show in June.

Lukken gained 72% for their Golden Jubilee Scrapbook. The Berkshire Scrapbooks will be on show at Watlington House on 25<sup>th</sup> July.

It was agreed that a collection should be made for the Pennies for Friendship scheme.

E. A. Martin

June 14, 1966.

### Committee Meeting 14<sup>th</sup> June 1966

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30 p.m. Mrs Martin Presided. Miss Le Page and Mrs Butler were unable to attend.

The minutes of the May meeting were read and signed.

Tickets for those members who are helping at the Royal Counties Show were distributed.



The proposed new bus timetable was read.

The June meeting was discussed. Mrs Heal is to be asked to give the vote of thanks. Mrs Edwards and Miss Carter will be in charge of the refreshments.

The July meeting was also discussed as was hoped it would then be unnecessary to have a Committee meeting in July. The meeting will be held at High View by invitation of Mrs Truse. The Secretary is to speak to Mrs Truse regarding the refreshments. The competition is to be three Annual flowers & Mr Neale is to be asked to judge.

Mrs Bent reported on the proceedings of the recent Group Committee meeting.

E. A. Martin

Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> 1966.

### Committee Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> September, 1966.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 2.30 p.m. Mrs Martin presided. 7 Members were present. Mrs Ashurst & Mrs Butler were unable to attend.

The new bus timetable was discussed & it

was decided to ask for Members views at the meeting. It was suggested that a letter of protest should be sent to the bus company with a copy to our M.P.

The September meeting was discussed & it was decided to invite Rintbury W.I. to join us. Mrs Heal & Mrs Bastable will be in charge of the refreshments.

It was agreed that the competition for the October meeting will be any sort of toy or a dressed doll.

Miss Bush asked Members to have their produce ready for the Newbury Show ready by Thursday evening.

The Group meeting in October was discussed.

Three members said they would like to go to the Produce Guild meeting in Newbury on 27<sup>th</sup> September.

The Autumn Council meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> October was discussed. Mrs Martin thought Mrs Dixon might like to go.

The Secretary read a card from Mrs Fenimore thanking the Institute for the fruit sent her after the birth of her son Alexander.



It was agreed that a card should be sent to Mrs Home who is in hospital.

The recent jumble sale in aid of the National Federation's appeal made £22-3-0.

The Secretary read an invitation from Hungerford W.I. to a Harvest Supper & dancing display on 5<sup>th</sup> October.

An invitation has been received from Mrs Basil Carter to a coffee evening next year when the roses are in bloom.

Christmas presents for our links in Australia and New Zealand were discussed. It was decided to find out if there are any suitable new W.I. publications.

11<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1966

Violet Bent.

### Committee Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> October, 1966

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30 pm. In the absence of Mrs Martin, Mrs Bent was in the chair. The 5 members present were Mrs Bent, Mrs Edwards, Mrs Burt, Mrs Jackman & Mrs Ashton.

The minutes of the September meeting were read and signed.

The Group meeting to be held at Hungerford on 12<sup>th</sup> October was discussed.

The best vegetables were selected from those shown & Mrs Edwards provided a tin. Mrs Bent will arrange the exhibit.

Mrs Edwards agreed to buy a present for Mrs Home who is now convalescing after an operation.

The revised bus timetable was again discussed and although members were far from satisfied it was agreed that no further protest could be made at present.

The Secretary invited committee members to her home on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 2.30 pm to arrange the programme for 1967. It was decided that members should be asked for ideas at the October meeting.

E.A. Martin

Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> 1966.

### Committee Meeting 8.11.66.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 2.30 pm.

Mrs Martin presided and other members present were Mrs Edwards, Mrs Jackman