

PRESENTATION OF SCHOOL LIBRARY

Wallaga Lake Function

An important occasion recently took place at Wallaga Lake Station when an expensive Children's Library of new books was presented to the Station School by Miss Ruth Swan on behalf of the Society of Friends.

Events began with the arrival of Miss Swan at the recreation hall where she was escorted between the ranks of a guard of honour formed by the school children. Inside, the hall had been tastefully decorated by Elaine Stewart and helpers and presented a very pretty picture. Miss Swan was escorted to the platform where she was officially welcomed by the Manager of the Station, Mr. A. Norton. The school teacher, Mr. K. Sears, thanked Miss Swan on behalf of the Education Department and expressed the appreciation of the children. The Welfare Officer for the District, Mr. P. M. Sephton, also expressed the appreciation of the Board for the interest shown by Miss Swan in presenting such a fine library. Little Hazel Harrison then presented a beautiful bouquet of flowers grown by the children which Miss Swan gratefully accepted.

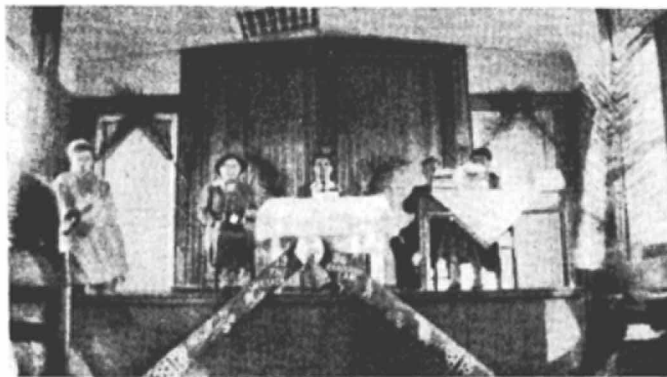
Amidst enthusiastic applause Miss Swan then rose and, addressing the large and appreciative audience of Station residents and school children, said that it had given her great pleasure to visit the Station in this way and to have had the opportunity of presenting, on behalf of the Society of Friends, the library of books. Indicating the library, which occupied a place of honour on the stage, Miss Swan went on to say that she was sure the books would be greatly appreciated by the children of the Wallaga Lake School all of whom she held in high regard. At the conclusion of her remarks the audience again expressed their appreciation by acclamation.

Under the direction of Mr. Sears a splendid programme by the children was presented, beginning with two items rendered by the School Choir. This was followed by an item "I Love to Dance With You" excellently performed by Elaine Stewart and Cecily Thompson.

An accomplished young School guitarist, Steve Hoskins, also presented several numbers with the vocal assistance of Ivan Thomas and Ernie Parsons. Several other items were also presented including a performance by the gum leaf band composed of "Costy" Parsons, Max Harrison and Jim Chapman.

The function concluded with afternoon tea for all and everybody voted that it had been a most enjoyable occasion.

Some Photos of the Occasion:—



In this picture, from left to right, are Mrs. Norton, Miss Swan, Mr. Norton, and Mr. and Mrs. Sears. The library can be seen in the right foreground.



The children formed a guard of honour for Miss Swan and Mr. Norton after the ceremony.



Hazel Harrison was a very proud young lady when she presented Miss Swan with a lovely bouquet of flowers on behalf of those present.