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Incorporation

DOMINION OF CANADA, PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, TO WIT
IN THE MATTER OF THE BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES' ACT —AND—
THE CORPORATION OF THE LADIES' CLUB OF WHONNOCK

WE, Martha M. WEST, wife of George West, and Hannah G.M. KIRBY, Spinster, all of Whonnock, Province of British Columbia, do solemnly declare that:

1. A number of ladies including ourselves intend to unite into a corporation to be called "The Ladies Club of Whonnock".
2. The purposes of the corporation shall be as follows:—
 - (a) For any benevolent or provident or moral or charitable purpose.
 - (b) For the improvement and development of the moral, social and physical condition of young men and young women.
 - (c) For the promotion of literature, science or the fine arts and the promotion and diffusion of knowledge.
 - (d) For promoting the cause of temperance and moral reform.
3. The first trustees of the corporation shall be Annie Watson, wife of Edward Watson, Alice M. Spilsbury wife of Ashton W. Spilsbury, and Hanna[h] G.M. Kirby, Spinster, and their successors shall be appointed annually by ballot at the regular annual meeting.

AND we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act.

[signatures of Hannah G.M. Kirby and Martha M. West]

DECLARED BEFORE ME at the Village of Whonnock in the Province of British Columbia this 31st day of October A.D. 1911

[signature of Ashton W. Spilsbury as Justice of the Peace]

Above: Transcript of the declaration of incorporation of The Ladies' Club of Whonnock, registered on the 15th November 1911. The purposes of the club were kept very general and their main objective, the building of a public hall, was not specifically mentioned. Note that the possessive apostrophe after "Ladies" was only used in the header.

Introduction

THE LADIES CLUB OF WHONNOCK was formed and incorporated in 1911 and ceased to function in 1945. For half a century the hall the ladies built in 1912 was the heart of the community providing space for entertainment, such as dances, meetings, lectures, theatre, concerts, card competitions, fairs, shows, and “moving pictures,” as well as sports such as badminton and later tennis. The Ladies Club also organized picnics and teas. Most of the activities organized by the Ladies Club itself were fund raisers to meet the debts incurred for the building of the Hall.

Without the complete minutes of meetings little is known about the life of an organization. Of course some traces of a society’s activities can be found in newspapers, in a few letters, or in the frail and quickly disappearing memories of an older generation, but minute books, incomplete as the information they contain may be, are a continuing record of the progress of an organization through time.

We owe the survival of the minute books of the Ladies Club to Olive Leaf and her daughter Margaret Mattson. The Maple Ridge Museum and Archives now holds the minute books as well as a cash book and some other records of interest.

Unfortunately minute books of other Whonnock and Ruskin organizations such as our local veteran and ratepayers associations, the Thornhill hall and the last decade of the Whonnock Women’s Institute, did not find their way to an archives and seem lost forever. If we want to keep our history alive an archives is the only right place to keep community records for more than a lifetime.

This transcription of the minutes of the Ladies Club 1911–1919 will allow everyone to read the text at a place and time of their choice and without the need to decipher the handwriting. I have kept close to the original text, correcting occasional spelling mistakes. There are varying spellings in surnames. As a rule I have used the name as written, unless I was certain of the correct spelling.

This issue of *Whonnock Notes* covers the first part of the Ladies Club minutes, ending with 1919, when interest in membership had faded and “...the Club being short of members was unable to do business....” To boost membership the decision was made to accept male members. That all changed when at a meeting of the people of Whonnock in December 1919 it was decided that the Hall would be “acquired and turned into a Memorial Hall.” The next issue of *Whonnock Notes* will contain transcripts of the minutes of the Ladies Club, starting in 1920, as well as the minutes of the mostly male committees that took over the management of the Hall.

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June 1911

President: Mrs. Spilsbury

Vice President: Mrs. G. Gilchrist

Treasurer: Mrs. West

Secretary: Mrs. Black

October/November 1911

President: Miss Hannah Kirby

Vice president: Mrs. Spilsbury

Secretary: Mrs. Billups

1st Annual 1912

President Mrs. Spilsbury

Vice President: Miss Hannah Kirby

Secretary-treasurer: E.A. Hedley

2nd Annual 1913

President: Miss Hannah Kirby

Vice president Mrs. A. Watson

Secretary-treasurer: Mrs. Hedley

3rd Annual 1914

President: Mrs. Fletcher

Vice president: Mrs. Gill

Secretary-treasurer: Mrs. Hedley

4th Annual 1915

President: Mrs. Fletcher

Vice president: Mrs. Gill

Secretary-treasurer: Mrs. Hedley

5th Annual 1916

President: Mrs. Fletcher

Vice president: Mrs. Gill

Secretary-treasurer: Mrs. Hedley

6th Annual 1917

President: Mrs. Fletcher

Vice president: Miss Agnes Kirby

Secretary-treasurer: Mrs. Walker

7th Annual 1918

President: Mrs. Fletcher

Vice president: Miss Agnes Kirby

Secretary-treasurer: Mrs. Walker

8th Annual 1919

President: Miss Agnes Kirby

Vice President: Mr. Brodie

Secretary: Mrs. Blois

First page of the minute books. The first meeting "with the purpose of forming a Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, June 28th 1911.

June 28th / 1911

A meeting was held in the Donnoct School room Wed June 28th at 4 pm for the purpose of forming a Ladies Club

There were present the following Ladies
 M^{rs} Spilsbury M^{rs} Dabbin M^{rs} Boulanger
 M^{rs} A. Gilchrist M^{rs} Hamilton M^{rs} Scott
 M^{rs} G. Gilchrist M^{rs} Gill Miss Percy
 M^{rs} Oliver M^{rs} Black Miss Kirby
 M^{rs} West M^{rs} Polley Miss R. Kirby
 M^{rs} Johnson M^{rs} Parks

The following Officers Elected
 President M^{rs} Spilsbury
 moved M^{rs} Scott Sec M^{rs} G. Gilchrist
 Vice President M^{rs} G. Gilchrist
 moved Miss Kirby Sec M^{rs} Spilsbury
 Treasurer M^{rs} West
 moved M^{rs} Spilsbury Sec M^{rs} Black
 Secretary M^{rs} Black
 moved M^{rs} Spilsbury Sec M^{rs} Hamilton

The Subscription were fixed at \$1 a year, also
 ten cents a month

The following Ladies joined the Club
 M^{rs} Johnson M^{rs} Dabbin
 M^{rs} Hamilton M^{rs} Polley
 M^{rs} Boulanger M^{rs} Gill
 M^{rs} Scott M^{rs} Parks
 M^{rs} Thompson M^{rs} Kirby
 M^{rs} Puller M^{rs} R. Kirby M^{rs} A. Gilchrist
 Moved M^{rs} Spilsbury Sec M^{rs} West that the
 meetings should be held the first Wednesday
 every month at 4 pm. Carried

M^{rs} Spilsbury Pres.
 W. L. Park Secy

Minutes of The Whonnock Ladies Club

1911

JUNE 28th 1911

A meeting was held in the Whonnock School room Wed. June 28th at 4 pm for the purpose of forming a Ladies Club.¹

There were present the following Ladies

Mrs. Spilsbury, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Boulanger, Mrs. A. Gilchrist, Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. G. Gilchrist, Mrs. Gill, Miss Percy, Mrs. Oliver, Mrs. Black, Miss Kirby, Mrs. West, Mrs. Rolley, Miss R. Kirby, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Parkes,

The following officers elected:

President: Mrs. Spilsbury,

Moved Mrs. Scott. seconded Mrs. G. Gilchrist.

Vice President: Mrs. G. Gilchrist,

Moved Miss Kirby. seconded Mrs. Spilsbury.

Treasurer: Mrs. West,

Moved Mrs. Spilsbury. seconded Mrs. Black.

Secretary: Mrs. Black,

Moved Mrs. Spilsbury. seconded Mrs. Hamilton.

The subscriptions were fixed at \$1 a year. Also ten cents a month.

The following Ladies joined the Club.: Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Rolley, Mrs. Boulanger, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Parkes, Mrs. Thompson, Miss. Kirby, Mrs. Pullen, Miss R. Kirby, and Mrs. A. Gilchrist,

Moved Mrs. Spilsbury, seconded Mrs. West that the meetings should be held the first Wednesday every month at 4 pm. Carried [Signed A.M. Spilsbury, President; R.S. Black, Secretary]

JULY 5th [1911]

The second meeting of the Club was held on July 5th. The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

Moved Mrs. Benson, seconded Miss Kirby that the bill for use of school house be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Spilsbury, seconded Mrs. Scott that Mesdames Moore & West interview the men of Stave Falls in regard to subscription.²

¹ The school built in 1909 at the corner of what are now called 272nd Street and 100th Avenue was still a one-room affair in 1911.

² The "men at Stave Falls" worked on the construction of the power station. The members of the Ladies Club worked tirelessly to gather funds for the building of the hall. The Fraser Valley Record of 10 August 1911 reports on perhaps the first event organized: "The ladies of Whonnock intend holding a big

Carried.

Moved Mrs. Spilsbury, seconded Mrs. West that subscription lists be made out & headed by fifty dollars from the Ladies Club. Carried. [Signed A.M. Spilsbury, President; R.S. Black, Secretary]

AUGUST 2nd [1911]

The third meeting of the Club was held on August 2nd. The minutes of the last meeting were read & accepted. Moved. Miss Kirby, seconded Mrs. Moore, that the Hall be built through subscription & that trustees be appointed to look after Hall. Carried.

[Signed A.M. Spilsbury, President; R.S. Black, Secretary]

OCTOBER 4th [1911]

The fourth meeting of the Club was held on October 4th. The minutes of the last meeting were read & accepted.

A communication from Mrs. Spilsbury rendering her resignation was read & accepted.³

Moved by Mrs. Billups, seconded Mrs. West, that Miss Kirby be elected president. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the Club meet at different homes. Carried.

Letter received from Mr. Aikman asking Ladies Club to arrange for a social to introduce the new teacher. ⁴

Moved by Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Gill that a social meeting be held October 12th & that a special meeting be held on Saturday October 7th at the home of Mrs. Black. The meeting adjourned. [Signed H. G. Kirby, President; R.S. Black, Secretary]

OCTOBER 7th [1911]

The fifth meeting of the Club was held on October 7th at the home of Mrs. Black. The minutes of the last meeting were read at the special meeting and accepted.⁵

garden party on August 10th on the grounds of Mr. Whiting. The money obtained is to be devoted to the building of a public hall. A subscription is being passed around for that purpose now and the funds are not coming in fast enough to suit the ladies who have work in hand." The event is not mentioned in the minutes.

³ Alice Spilsbury resigned as president but continued as trustee and vice-president in 1911, returning as president in 1912.

⁴ Miss Margaret C. Cowie. See photo inside back cover.

⁵ There are no minutes of the special meeting held on October 7th, but it doubtless dealt with Alice Spilsbury's stepping down as president and with the offer of land by Messrs. Gilchrist.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. West that a letter of thanks be written the Messrs. Gilchrist for their offer of site for Hall, hauling of lumber for same at \$100. Carried.⁶

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Hamilton that Mrs. Spilsbury be appointed a trustee for the Club. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. West, that Miss Kirby be appointed a trustee for the Club. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Spilsbury, seconded Miss Kirby, that Mrs. Watson be appointed a trustee for the Club. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Hamilton, that Mrs. West's expenses be paid to go to town to interview lawyer regarding incorporation of Club. Carried.

The next meeting was arranged to be held at the home of Mrs. Rolley. The meeting adjourned.

[Signed H. G. Kirby, President; A.E. Billups, Secretary]

NOVEMBER 1st [1911]

The sixth meeting of the Club was held at the home of Mrs. Rolley.

The minutes of the last meeting were read & accepted.

A communication from Mrs. G. Gilchrist rendering her resignation was read & accepted.

Moved Mrs. Benson, seconded Mrs. Fletcher that Mrs. Spilsbury be elected vice president. Carried.

A communication from Mrs. Black rendering her resignation as secretary was read & accepted.

Moved by Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. West, that Mrs. Billups be elected secretary. Carried.

The new secretary then reported having received the resignation of Mrs. Scott, Pullen, Hamilton, Mrs. G. & A. Gilchrist; also having written several gentlemen asking them to kindly forward their subscription at their earliest convenience; also having received \$86 from the treasurer which has been placed to the credit of the Ladies Club in the bank; also that \$20 solicitors disbursements for incorporating the Club had been paid. The meeting was adjourned.

[Signed H. G. Kirby, President; A.E. Billups, Secretary]

NOVEMBER 7th [1911]

The seventh meeting of the Club was held at the home of Mrs. Brodie. The minutes of the last meeting were read & accepted.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill that a site for the new Hall be purchased from Mrs. West. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill that a committee consisting of the trustees be appointed to arrange for the purchase of land &

erecting of Hall.

Mrs. Spilsbury reported having received the papers of the registration of the Club.

The Club now being legally incorporated it was moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Spilsbury, that the old officers be retained. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that an entertainment be held at Mrs. Watson's on Saturday night December 16th, entrance 50 cents, for the purpose of raising the \$50 promised by Ladies Club towards erection of Hall. Carried. Adjourned.

[Signed H. G. Kirby, President; A.E. Billups, Secretary]

1912

JANUARY 3rd [1912]

The eighth meeting of the Club was held at the home of Mrs. Billups. The minutes of the last meeting were read & accepted.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Watson, that the secretary write to Mrs. Moore & Miss Hodgson asking for a subscription to help to pay off the \$50. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that Mr. Whiting's account be paid. Carried. The meeting adjourned.

[Signed H. G. Kirby, President; A.E. Billups, Secretary]

FEBRUARY 7th [1912]

The ninth meeting of the Club was held at the home of Miss Kirby, the minutes of last meeting were read & accepted.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Black, that the president, vice president, and secretary form a committee to put the Club books into order. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Boulanger, seconded Mrs. West, that Mrs. Hedley become a member of the Club. Carried.

The vice president gave notice that at the next meeting bylaws would be introduced for regulations of the Club.

Moved by Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Fletcher that the secretary write to subscribers who had not paid their subscription towards the Hall. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Spilsbury, that the secretary write a letter of thanks to Gilchrist Bros. for the offer of site for Hall, hauling lumber at \$100 as this letter had been forgotten. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that Mrs. West see the lawyer about the settlement of his bill. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that secretary write a letter of thanks for surveying the site of Hall to Hill & Burnett, New Westminster & pay the bill of \$5 for the plans of same. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that secretary will write a letter of thanks to Rogers, Black & McAlpine for subscription & pay \$3.10 for their bill. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Black that the Club adjourn for tea.

⁶ The land offered by Messrs. Gilchrist was doubtless land in Ruskin and that may have caused some controversy. Most of the ladies preferred a hall in Whonnock and they decided to turn down the Gilchrist's offer. That could have caused the loss of interest in the Ladies Club and the resignation of both Mmes. George and Alex Gilchrist. In 1916 Ruskin would have its own hall on land deeded by Alex and George Gilchrist who took a leading role in the establishment of a building on the property.

Reported by Mrs. Spilsbury on behalf of the committee that the site for the Hall has been purchased from Mrs. West, being a 0.6728 acre [sic] portion of a 5.70 acre portion of Lot 455, Group 1, New Westminster District for \$300 & the deed for same as been placed in the Land Register Office that the application for the certificate of title has been accepted at the office.

Mrs. Spilsbury also presented a plan of the Hall & a bill of lumber for the same drawn up by Mr. Miller; also reported that Mr. Miller has laid out the ground for the foundation according to the plan, and had also kindly offered to give any advice necessary during the construction.

Standing vote of thanks be accorded Mrs. West for her donation of the extra amount of land given. Carried.⁷

The meeting adjourned until February 22nd and every week until further notice. Carried.

[Signed H. G. Kirby, President; A.E. Billups, Secretary]

FEBRUARY 22nd [1912]

The tenth meeting of the Club was held at the home of Mrs. West. The minutes of last meeting were read & accepted.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Black, that Mrs. West approach the different hardware stores & ask for estimates for same when in town. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. West, that another exit be put in the plan in case of fire in the Hall. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Boulanger, seconded Mrs. Gill, that president, vice president, & Mrs. Watson be appointed committee to see about the bylaws. Carried.

Reported by the committee that Mr. Olaus Lee was chosen to erect the Hall under the supervision of Mr. Miller.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the monthly dues be 25 cents. Carried unanimously.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the Club adjourn for tea.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the committee enquires at the bank also mill re the financing of the Hall lumber. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill, that badges be ordered. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Spilsbury, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that the next meeting be held next Friday at Mrs. West at 3 pm. The meeting adjourned.

[Signed H. G. Kirby, President; A.E. Billups, Secretary]

MARCH 1st [1912]

The eleventh meeting of the Club was held at the home of Mrs. West. The minutes of the last meeting were read & accepted.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Black, that Mr. W. Kirk's estimate for hardware be accepted.

The secretary reported receiving a letter from Hill & Burnett stating at request that their charge for survey of Hall site would have been \$15.70 which sum has been placed to their credit on the subscription list.

Also reported the lawyer (Mr. Kruger) deducted \$5 from his account which has been placed to his credit on the subscription list.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the Club adjourn for tea. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the plans for the Hall be passed. Carried unanimously.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Black, that Mrs. Billups resignation as secretary be accepted. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Billups, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Mrs. Hedley be appointed secretary. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. West, that the secretary write to Mr. Hayward, Stave Falls, & ask about piano. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the Club adjourn until next Wednesday at Mrs. West. Carried.

The bylaws passed their first reading. Moved Mrs. West.

[Signed H. G. Kirby, President; A.E. Billups, Secretary]

MARCH 6th [1912]

The meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, March 6th, at 3 o'clock at Mrs. West's. There were present eleven members. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

The minutes of the Club dating from the inaugural meeting of June 28th were read and verified by Mrs. Spilsbury.

The secretary was instructed the write to Mrs. Moore, Cedar Cottage, and to Miss Hodgson, Hatzic in order to ascertain whether these ladies intended to continue their membership in the Club.

The question of a canvas floor cloth came under discussion, and after various expressions of opinion, it was agreed to postpone a final decision on the matter.

The vice president reported having purchased a cash and a minute book, total cost two dollar seventy cents (\$2.70) and six receipt books, twenty-five cents (25 cents). Moved by Mrs. Black, seconded by Mrs. Gill and carried, that the outlay be refunded.

The question of the Club badge now came under discussion. The design for the Club badge was originated by Mrs. Spilsbury and drawn by Mrs. Boulanger. It represents a gold shield bearing a trillium erect, the three petals of the lily in white enamel, the three sepals in green. The design was placed for execution in hands of Mr. Birks jeweller of Vancouver. Mrs. Spilsbury reported an interview with the foreman of this firm on the cost of making up the badges. He agreed to supply them at one dollar and ten cents (\$1.10) each, provided a dozen were taken; the price to be less if possible. After general discussion it was decided that eighteen badges be purchased, and Mrs. Spilsbury was requested to order an additional six.

Moved by Mrs. Spilsbury, seconded by Mrs. Rolley and carried, that

⁷ It is not clear what extra land was donated by Mrs. West.

the ribbons for mounts to the badges be white for members and gold for officers and that Mrs. Fletcher be asked to send for samples of satin ribbon.

The question of remuneration for Mr. Olaus Lee was brought up for consideration and it was decided that Mrs. Spilsbury, as member of the building committee, should approach him personally on the matter.

Mrs. Spilsbury then reported:

1st That she had ordered the lumber necessary for the building of the Hall from the Brunette Mills, and had been promised a discount of 15% on a cash deal and a donation of seventy-five dollars (\$75).

2nd That she had had an interview with Mr. Bremner, manager of the Bank of Montreal in New Westminster as to raising the necessary money to cover the cost of lumber, and that Mr. Bremner had promised to do his best for the Club in this matter.

Mrs. Spilsbury then handed in the following donations: Mr. Bremner \$10; Mr. G.L. Howe \$5; Mr. E.H. Heaps \$25; Mr. G. Brine \$2.50; Mr. A.C. Mercer \$25; Mr. J.A. Agar \$5; Mr. L.A. Lewis \$75; Mr. F.J. Hart \$50; Mr. Lokyer \$5. Total two hundred and two dollars and fifty cents (\$202.50).

Some discussion arose as to the amount owing for furnishings and Mrs. West was requested to look into the question of bricks and to interview Mr. Rolston on the matter of wiring the Hall.

The following resolution was moved by Mrs. Gill, seconded by Mrs. Black and carried, that, whereas a deficit of three dollars (\$3) still remains on the donation of fifty dollars (\$50) promised by the Club to the Hall, the eleven members now present be asked for an individual contribution of 20 cents, and that those four absent members residents at present time in Whonnock, be acquainted with the resolution.

The secretary was instructed to write letters of thanks to Mr. Heaps of Ruskin and Mr. Mercer of Vancouver.

The bylaws passed their second reading, each clause being carefully considered; it was agreed that further discussion thereon should be postponed to the following meeting.

The meeting was adjourned until 3 o'clock on Wednesday, 13th inst. at Mrs. West's.

[Signed H. G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

MARCH 13th [1912]

The meeting of the Ladies Club was held at 3 o'clock on Wednesday, March 13th at Mrs. West's. There were present eleven members. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

The secretary reported having written to Mr. Heaps, Mr. Mercer, Mrs. Moore, and Miss Hodgson.

Moved by Mrs. Spilsbury, seconded by Mrs. Brodie and carried, that the colour of ribbon mounts for badges of officers be green instead of old gold.

Mrs. Spilsbury reported

1st That she had interviewed Olaus Lee; that he required carpenters wages viz. three and a half dollars (\$3½) for a nine-hours day's and that he will give a week or more of his labour in place of a subscription.

2nd That Mr. Parkes had been consulted on the matter of bricks and that he had advised leaving the brick chimneys until the end of the summer when the question of heating apparatus for the Hall could be more easily decided.

Moved by Mrs. Gill, seconded by Mrs. Fletcher, and carried, that the chimneys be left until after the summer.

The secretary was instructed to send cheque for seven dollars and eighty cents (\$7.80) to Gilley Bros. per Mrs. West.

Moved by Mrs. Spilsbury, seconded by Mrs. West, and carried, that the canvas floor cloth be ordered.

Mrs. West and Mrs. Black were requested to make enquiries as to the best and most economical means of furnishing chairs for the hall.

Mrs. West was requested to see Mr. Trapp on the matter of chartering the *Pay Streak* for the grand opening.

Moved by Mrs. West, seconded by Mrs. Brodie, and carried, that the bylaws pass their third reading.

Moved by Mrs. Fletcher that the meeting adjourn until 3 o'clock on Thursday 21st inst. at Mrs. West's.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

MARCH 21st [1912]

The meeting of the Ladies Club was held at Mrs. West's on Thursday 21st inst. at 3 o'clock. Present ten members. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read. Moved by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mrs. Billups, that they be accepted. Carried.

Mrs. Agnes Kirby was enrolled a member of the Club.⁸

The treasurer's statement was read by the secretary who reported cheque sent to Gilley Bros.

The following donations collected by Mrs. West were handed in: Mr. Ole Lee \$25; R. Rogers & Black \$10; Mr. Macdonald \$3; R. Spencer Bros. \$10; Mr. Monk \$1; Gardner & Taylor \$5; Mr. D.S. Curtis \$5; Johnstone Bros. \$5; Mr. Mars \$5; Mr. R. Colins \$25; Gilley Bros. \$4. The secretary read a letter from Miss Hodgson resigning her membership in the Club. From Mr. Heywood, manager Western Com. Power Co. regretting that he had already parted with his piano.

Mrs. West reported that she had not been able to see Mr. Trapp on the matter of the hire of the *Pay Streak* and ascertained that Mr. Mackenzie at the wharf would supply necessary information.

It was agreed not to order the canvas floor cloth until after the open-

⁸ Miss Agnes Kirby and Miss Hannah Kirby were sisters. Hannah was president in 1911 and 1913. Agnes became president in 1919 and served in that and other executive positions for the Ladies Club for many years. Agnes died in Whonnock in 1950, 86 years of age, and Hannah in 1954, 97 years of age. Both Agnes and Hannah Kirby are buried in Whonnock.

ing of the hall.

Mrs. West reported having interviewed Mr. Rolston on the matter of wiring the hall and having obtained from him the following rough estimate: fifty to sixty dollars (\$50 to \$60) for cost of material, seventy-five to eighty dollars (\$75 to \$80) with labour—wiring for moving pictures ten dollars (\$10) extra.

The question as to whether the ceiling of the hall should be finished at the present time came up for discussion and it was agreed to leave the matter until later on.

Mrs. West reported that W.S. Colliston & Co. had offered five dollars (\$5) worth of goods as a donation.

Some patterns of cotton material were submitted and one selected for this purpose.

Moved by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mrs. West, that the secretary be instructed to write to the *Coquitlam Star* for subscription on the part of the Club. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. West, seconded by Mrs. Billups, that the bylaws pass their fourth reading. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Black, seconded by Mrs. West, that the meeting be adjourned till Wednesday 27th at 3 o'clock. Carried.

[Signed H. G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

MARCH 27th [1912]

The meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday 27th inst. at Mrs. West's. The minutes of the previous meeting were read, and it was moved by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Gill that they be accepted. Carried.

The treasurer's statement was read showing: cash \$377.55, disbursements \$5.55, balance \$372.

Donations were received from Mr. L.C. York \$5.00; Mr. Hegarat \$4.00.

The secretary reported writing letters to Messrs. Ole Lee, R. Colins; F.J. Hart; Kruger, Rogers & Black; and editor Coquitlam Star.

Moved by Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded Mrs. Billups for her past kind services as secretary-treasurer on behalf of the Club. Carried unanimously.

Mrs. Gill reported that a second-hand cooking stove value about seven dollars (\$7) could be seen at Mrs. Talbot.

Moved by Mrs. Black, seconded by Mrs. Rolley, that the meeting adjourn until Wednesday April 3rd at 3 o'clock at Mrs. West's. Carried.

[Signed H. G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

APRIL 3rd [1912]

The monthly meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, April 3rd at 3 o'clock at Mrs. West's.

Present eleven members. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read, and it was moved by Mrs. Watson, and seconded by Mrs. West, that they be accepted. Carried.

The treasurer's report was read and showed: cash \$381; disburse-

ments \$1.25; balance \$379.75.

Donations were received from Mr. Tisdale \$10; Mr. John Warren \$1; Mr. Holms \$3.

Cotton cloth to the amount of \$5 from Mr. W.S. Colliston. Members dues received from nine members.

The secretary reported having written to Mr. L.C. York; Mr. Hegarat; and the editor of the *Coquitlam Star*.

Received pass book Bank of Montreal, receipt *Coquitlam Star*, account from H.J. Kirk.

The secretary was instructed to write and thank H.J. Kirk and enclose cheque for \$50.

To Mr. Hayward, Stave Falls, and ask approximate date to expect electric power.⁹

To Mr. Ross and inquire his most favourable terms of purchase of a piano for the hall.

Mrs. Spilsbury was requested to write to Brunette Lumber Mills for their full account.

Mrs. Gill reported having seen Mrs. Talbot's stove, valued at about \$7, and Mrs. West was requested to inspect it with a view of purchase for use at the hall.

Mrs. West submitted plan of a stage and steps and brought up matter of stage curtain. After some discussion it was moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Watson, that a committee of four, consisting of Mmes. Spilsbury, Boulanger, West, and Black be appointed to investigate mater of steps, stage, stage curtain and setting up of cooking stove, and that the said committee be empowered to take action. Carried.

The question of entertainment for the grand opening was put to the vote and it was decided that it should take the form of a Leap-year Dance with card tables.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. West that the meeting adjourn until Wednesday, April 10th at 3 o'clock at Mrs. West's. Carried.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

APRIL 10th [1912]

The meeting of the Ladies Club was held on April 10th at 3 o'clock at Mrs. West's. Present nine members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read. Proposed Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill, that they be accepted. Carried.

Finance: The treasurer's report was read and showed: cash \$396.60; disbursements \$50.50; balance \$346.10. Deposit in bank \$339.70. Cash in hand \$6.40. A donation of \$10 was received from Rev. A. A. Dunn and two-dollars worth of tin piping from Henry Garner.

⁹ Power from the Stave River had begun to flow in December 1911. The *Fraser Valley Record* of March 7th reports that Maple Ridge Council gave instructions that "...the Clerk write the Western Canada Power Co, asking them to use every effort to supply power to Whonnock as the residents most urgently require it." The Hall was one of the first public buildings in Maple Ridge wired for electric light and heating.

Correspondence: The secretary reported writing to Messrs. Hayward, Tisdale, Ross, Tom Warren, Holms, and H.J. Kirk and receiving a receipt of deposits of \$120 from Bank of Montreal, letter and receipt from H.J. Kirk, and letter and three copies of bylaws from Mr. Kruger.

Two copies of the bylaws were signed as required by the president and secretary and the secretary was instructed to return them for registry, stamped with the corporate seal.¹⁰

Secretary also instructed to write to Mr. F.J. Hart for promised donation of \$50.

Reports of committees:

Mrs. Spilsbury reported:

1st Having received a statement of account from the Brunette Lumber Mills amounting in all to \$1015.82cts less discount.

2nd That steps in Hall were required to be four instead of three and that certain small amount of lumber would be required.

It was suggested that during the summer, and pending the choice of heating apparatus for the Hall, the cooking stove be placed out of doors.

Miss Kirby reported the offer of a cooking stove from Mrs. Johnson and the secretary was instructed to write and accept offer with thanks.

An offer of stove piping was made by Mrs. Gill, present, also a promise of bunting.

The question of stage curtains was brought up for discussion and it was suggested that Mrs. Spilsbury write for prices of [...ggets], also of bunting and of flags.

A request was made by Mr. Walroud to the effect that he be allowed to employ Olaus Lee for his own use for two days. In return for the concession he offered to give two days of his labour to the Hall.

The proposition was considered, was looked into by Mrs. Spilsbury, and the following motion was made.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Olaus Lee be employed for two days by Mr. Walroud as desired, and that Mr. Walroud in return give two days of his own labour to the Hall. Carried.

A discussion took place as to the amount required to be raised to meet the lumber bill.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. West, that Mrs. Spilsbury arrange with the Bank of Montreal, New Westminster, for a loan of seven hundred (\$700). Carried.

The secretary was instructed to write a cheque for \$810 in favour of the Brunette Saw Mill Ltd. And to write a promissory note to the Bank of Montreal, New Westminster, for seven hundred dollars (\$700).

Moved Mrs. Spilsbury, seconded Mrs. West, that the meeting adjourn until Wednesday April 24th at 3 o'clock at Mrs. West's. Carried. [Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

APRIL 24th [1912]

The meeting of the Ladies Club was held at 3 o'clock on April 24th at Mrs. West's. Present eight members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read. Moved Mrs. Spilsbury, seconded Mrs. West that they be accepted. Carried.

Finance: The treasurer's report was read and showed; cash \$1051.30cts; disbursements \$810; balance \$241.30cts. Mrs. Spilsbury presented detailed account of the Brunette Saw Mill Co. Ltd. amounting to \$840 with receipt for \$810; and reported that our promissory note for \$700 had been accepted by the Bank of Montreal, New Westminster; interest on the rate of 7%.

A donation of \$2 was received from Mr. John Macdonald.

Mrs. West reported that the rate of insurance given by Rogers & Black was \$20 for a term of three years.

Mrs. West presented a letter received from Mr. Salsbury with details as to the cost of heaters and lighting.

The secretary was instructed to write to Mr. J. Montgomery, W.C.P. Co. Carter-Cotton building, Vancouver for cost estimate of heaters and rate of power for light and heaters. Also to enquire approximate date to expect power in Whonnock.

Mrs. Spilsbury showed pattern of beaver [?] board with which it was suggested to line the Hall. It would cost \$15 to \$20 more than wood—about 1000 ft V joint and 4000 ft beaver board would be required.

1st She reported that Lee of New Westminster would supply chairs flat for 55cts. Tables for 63cts.

2nd That eighteen badges had been received at \$1.20cts and that a die had been made. The secretary was instructed to Mr. Macgarland, reeve of Haney, giving him by request a statement comprising value of Hall (viz. \$3000), amounts donated, and expenses and sum required for completion.

The president stated that a piano sent by Ross of New Westminster for the Hall was lying at the station. Price of piano \$350+\$25 off as donation. Terms \$18 cash, \$6 each month for six month, \$8 for next six month and \$10 after first year. Interest 6%. It was decided to take the piano to the Hall and be tried and that it be returned if not satisfactory. Members were requested to make enquiries about second-hand pianos and collect all information possible.

The question of curtains for the windows came up and Mrs. West was requested to look into the matter of using glass paper.

Twelve badges were taken by members.

The annual meeting was fixed for May 2nd. Secretary instructed to send notice thereof to absent members—also to write to Coquitlam Printing Works for estimate of printing 200 tickets and 12 posters.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the meeting adjourn. [Signed E.A. Hedley, Secretary; Alice M. Spilsbury]

¹⁰ For text of bylaws see page 54.

MAY 2nd 1912

Annual Meeting

The first annual meeting of the Ladies Club was held on May 2nd, Thursday, at 3 o'clock at Mrs. West's. Present eleven members. Presidents address: The president, in reviewing the work of the Club during the past year, laid particular emphasis on the voluntary help received from the men of Whonnock toward the building of the Hall. She was of opinion that special thanks were due to Mr. Spilsbury for the amount of thought and careful work given by him. Also to Mrs. Spilsbury and Mrs. West for their continuous and unflagging efforts on behalf of the Club. She considered that without the three named workers the Hall would certainly not have reached the stage it was at today.

The chief business of the meeting was the election of officers and of an executive committee for the ensuing year. The particular reason for the executive being that the business of the Club should be transacted by the committee instead of, as at present, at the general meetings.

The monthly meetings were to be continued but were to partake of a social nature. Each member of the executive would have equal power and all business would be carried by vote.

The president concluded her address by saying that she had always considered herself as holding a temporary office and did not want to stand for re-election.

Election of officers: Proposed Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Black that nominations be made publicly. Carried.

After some discussion the following announcement was made. Proposal Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that nominations be made privately. Carried. Balloting was then proceeded with and resulted in the election of the following members to office:

Officers: president—Mrs. Spilsbury; vice president—Miss Kirby; trustees—Mrs. West, Watson, and Gill; member of the executive—Mrs. Black; secretary—Mrs. Hedley.

Proposal Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Black, that the next meeting of the Club be on Wednesday, May 8th at 3 o'clock at Mrs. West's. Carried

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

MAY 8th [1912]

The meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, May 8th at Mrs. West's. Present seven members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Finance: The treasurer's report was read and showed: receipts \$317.80; disbursements \$21.70; balance \$295.60. Deposit \$288.10. Cash \$7.50. A donation of bunting was received from Mr. E. Baker, Stave Falls.

Correspondence: Secretary reported letters written—John Macdonald; J. Montgomery; Henry Birks; F.J. Hart; *Coquitlam Star*

Pub, Co. Ltd.; Reeve Macgarland; Lees Ltd.; D.E. Mackenzie; Bank Montreal; Martin Kusha; Thomas Parker. Letters received—F.J. Hart; Henry Birks; Bank Montreal; *Coquitlam Star* Pub. Co. Ltd.; Lees Ltd.; D.E. Mackenzie.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the grand opening be left until the Hall is finished. Carried.¹¹

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Miss Kirby, that the Ladies Club hold a dance on the 17th May, the date of the celebration of the independence of Norway, and that the charge of one dollar be made for gentlemen for admittance to dance and supper. Ladies free. Carried. Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill, that a committee be formed, consisting of Mrs. West and Mrs. Fletcher to undertake general arrangement for the celebration. Carried.

The secretary was instructed to write to Thompson's Stationary Co. for the cheapest form of cards suitable to serve as tickets for dance. To Mr. Bonson to remind him by request of his promised donation of \$10.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill, that some token be presented by the Club to Mrs. Garner, whereby the members may testify to her the respectful esteem they feel for her in their hearts.¹² Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that delegates be appointed from the Ladies Club to interview Mr. Peters on various grievances connected with the station of Whonnock and local traffic. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Miss Kirby, that the carpenter be asked to present his accounts up to date. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill, that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded Miss Kirby for her kind services as president during the past year. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Black, that the meeting adjourn until Tuesday, May 14th at 3 o'clock at Mrs. West's. Carried.

[Signed E.A. Hedley, Secretary; Alice M. Spilsbury]

MAY 14th [1912]

The meeting of the Ladies Club was held at 3 o'clock on May 14th at Mrs. West's. Present twelve members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read. Moved Miss Kirby, seconded Mrs. West, that they be accepted. Carried.

Finance: The treasurer's report was read and showed: receipts \$296.80; disbursements \$2.30; balance \$294.50. The carpenter's bill amounting to \$150.50 was presented.

Correspondence: Secretary reported letters written to E. Baker; R. Bonson; Thompson Stationary Co. Ltd.; Bank of Montreal. Letters received from Thompson Stationary Co. Ltd.

11 There was never a "grand opening" of the new Hall.

12 Barbara Christine Garner's father Robert Robertson died on 1 May 1912. She became a widow in 1910, left to fend for herself and her children. Her brother-in-law Sam Roy Garner went to war under the assumed name Roy Cromarty and gave her financial support until he was killed at the front.



The meeting of the Ladies Club was held at the Hall for the first time on Monday 27th May 1912. This snapshot, probably by Alice Spilsbury, may well be the first one taken of the Hall, just after its completion.

A chimney was added on this side in the fall of 1912.

It was proposed that the token presented by the Club to Mrs. Garner should take the form of a brooch, and it was suggested that brooches should be looked at in Vancouver. Mrs. West was requested to order a can of coal oil and a box of cones for the dance on the 17th. Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that three gentlemen be asked to act as wardens for the Club during the coming year, the duty of warden being to maintain order at the various entertainments given at the Hall. Carried. Secretary instructed to write Messrs. Kirby, Brodie, and Rolley on this subject, also to Mr. Peter Macmillan to invite himself and children to afternoon entertainment of 17th.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Fletcher that the meeting adjourn for tea in Hall. Carried.

[Signed E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

MAY 22nd [1912]

The meeting of the Ladies Club was held at 3 o'clock on Wednesday May 22nd at Mrs. West's. Present nine members. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Finance: The treasurer's report was read and showed—receipts \$425.30; disbursements \$150. Total balance \$425.25. In bank \$418.10. In hand \$6.15. The secretary reported donation Mr. R. Harris ten dollars; Mr. R. Bonson ten dollars.

Correspondence: Secretary reported letters written—Messrs. Kirby, Brodie, Rolley; R.D. Bonson; Smith & Co. Ltd.; Gunderson; Thomas Freeman; Walter Richardson; B. Walroud; Gill; R. Harris. Letters received—R.D. Bonson; Montgomery; Bank Montreal; Rolley.

Reported that of the three gentlemen written to, Mr. Kirby only accepted the post of warden for the Club during the coming year. Moved by Miss Kirby, seconded by Mrs. West, that Mr. Fletcher and Mr. Jack Watson be offered post of warden and that they be given badges of the Club colours. Carried.

Moved. Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. West, that Miss Kirby be head of

refreshment and Mrs. West of floor committee at dance of May 24th. Carried.

Mrs. West was deputed to choose Mrs. Garner's brooch.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Billups, that meeting adjourn until Monday 27th at Hall. Carried.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, Vice President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

MAY 27th [1912]

The meeting of the Ladies Club was held at the Hall for the first time on Monday 27th at 3 o'clock. Present eight members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: Financial statement showed—cash \$493.65; disbursements \$13.10; total balance \$480.55. In bank \$418.10. In hand \$62.15.

Correspondence: Letters written—R. Fletcher; J. Watson, *Coquitlam Star*, Montgomery. Moved Mrs. Boulanger, seconded Mrs. Black, that the carpenter's wages be paid him, sixty dollars to be given him from cash in hand, balance to be paid by cheque. Carried. Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that letters of thanks be sent to Messrs. Charlie and Olaus Lee for their kind services at the dance of the 24th. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Black, that jugs, sugar, basins, tea plates and oil cloth for the table be purchased. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that some reflection be given to special form of entertainment to be held at the Hall on 1st July and that the matter come up for discussion at the next meeting. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Billups, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that special arrangements for the ordering of each entertainment be made beforehand by the executive committee, and should necessity for any alterations in the said arrangements arise during the course of an entertainment, that decision be come to by a two-thirds vote of those mem-

bers of the executive present. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Black, that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded Mrs. West for her kindness in having permitted the Club to hold meetings at her house. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the meeting adjourn until Wednesday, June 5th at the Hall. Carried

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, Vice President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

JUNE 5th [1912]

The meeting of the Ladies Club was held at the Hall on Wednesday, June 5th at 3 o'clock. Present eight members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$491.05; disbursements \$151.10; balance \$339.95. In hand \$12.35.

Donations were received from—Mr. J.R. Smith \$10; Mr. Strutters \$1; Mrs. Hood \$2.

Letters received from Mrs. McFarland; Mr. F.J. Hart. Written to: Messrs. Charlie and Olaus Lee; Mrs. McFarland.

Moved Mrs. Gill; seconded Mrs. West, that the piano in Hall, on trial from Mr. Ross, New Westminster, be purchased. Carried.

Fifteen dollars (\$15) cash down was paid. Mr. Phillips acting for Mr. Ross, and papers signed by vice president and secretary and stamped with the seal. Number of piano 21291.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. West, that the subject of insurance come up for discussion at next meeting. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Billups, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the entertainment in view for 1st July take the form of a basket picnic with sports; a dance to take place in the evening. Entrance gentlemen one dollar. Ladies free. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Black, that an advertisement be placed in the *Columbian* to the following effect: First July / Whonnock / Basket Picnic with Sports at Club Grounds / commencing 10 a.m. / Dance and supper at 8 o'clock / gentlemen \$1. Ladies free. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Mr. Whiting's dishes, at present in use by the Club, be purchased. Carried.

It was decided that the next meeting of the Club be held at the Hall on Thursday, June 13th at 3 o'clock.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, Vice President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

JUNE 13th [1912]

The meeting of the Ladies Club was held at the Hall, Thursday, June 13th at 3 o'clock. Present seven members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: Financial statement showed—cash \$352.95; disbursement \$18.80; balance \$334.15. On hand \$6.55. The accounts of Messrs.

Trapp, Kirk and R.S. Whiting and Brunette Saw Mills were pre-

sented.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that Messrs. Trapp, Kirk, and R.S. Whiting be paid. Carried.

Correspondence: Letters written—Ed. *Columbian*; J.R. Smith, 1073 Nelson Street, Vancouver; F.W. Peters. Received—Ed. *Columbian*, J. Ross contract for piano.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill, whereas our president will be unable to attend any meetings for some two months,¹³ and whereas Miss Kirby taken her place in the chair, that Mrs. Rolley be elected to represent our vice president on the executive committee and that Mrs. Fletcher act as temporary substitute for Mrs. Watson. Carried. Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Black, that the insurance on the Club Hall be placed in the hands of F.J. Hart & Co. Ltd. and that the amount carried be \$2000.00 Hall and \$500.00 furniture including piano. Carried. Secretary instructed to write to Mr. Hart for form of application.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Black, that a deputation be sent from the Ladies Club to approach Mr. Peters on the question of the appointment of a station agent at Whonnock, and of an improved train service; and that a delegation from the Poultry Association as well as Mr. Fletcher, representative of Rogers, Black and McAlpine be requested to attend also. Carried.

Letters were read from Mr. Black—1st Under instruction from the Presbyterian Church requesting that the congregation be permitted to hold a fortnightly service in the Hall.¹⁴ 2nd Requesting under instructions from the Poultry Association that the use of the Hall be granted for their monthly meetings to be held on the first Tuesday of every month at 8 p.m.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill, that 25 cents be the provisional charge for the use of the Hall for denominational services and for meetings of local associations and one dollar the provisional charge for municipal meetings. Carried.

Secretary instructed to write Mr. Black in the affirmative.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the hour of closing at the weekly dances be 10:00 and that the warden be requested that the windows are shut before leaving. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that the secretary be instructed to write to the Reeve and Council naming the sum of \$200 as the donation requested by the Club. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the meeting adjourn until Wednesday, June 19th at 2 o'clock. Business for the meeting to be the consideration by the executive of the arrangement for the 1st July picnic and dance. Carried.

¹³ In 1912 and again in 1913 Alice and Ashton Spilsbury travelled to Lund and Savary Island for a summer holiday. They settled permanently on Savary Island in 1914 when a school was opened there.

¹⁴ In 1914, "a Church of Presbyterian faith" was built on land donated by John Brodie. Members of the United Church celebrated the 90th anniversary of "their" church in 2004.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, Vice President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

JUNE 19th [1912]

The meeting of the Ladies Club was held at the Hall at 2 o'clock on June 19th. Present eleven members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: Financial statement showed—cash \$386.40; disbursements \$156.65; balance \$229.75.

A donation was kindly promised by Mrs. Billups of two hanging lamps for the Hall.

Correspondence: Letters received—John S. Black; F.W. Peters; two letters F.J. Hart & Co. Ltd. Written—John S. Black; Bank of Montreal re change of signature; two letters F.J. Hart; Bank of Montreal (application for promissory note); F.W. Peters.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. West, that insurance Hall be paid for three years. Carried.

Secretary reported having attended meeting of settlers held under auspices of Ladies Club and Poultry Association for consideration of request to CPR for station agent and improved train service, and having requested by meeting to lay matters in writing before Mr. F.W. Peters, general superintendent.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Black, that the secretary's letter be sent to Mr. Peters. Carried.

Secretary instructed to write to Reeve and Council placing donation to Hall at \$500 instead of \$200.

The following arrangement resulted from discussion by executive of business connected with 1st July. Members to assemble at Hall Thursday 20th to scrub floor, fill lamps etc. Mrs. Brodie to make up fire and put on water.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. West, that Mesdames Brodie, Black, and Fletcher be asked to join sport committee. Carried.

Secretary instructed to order from R.S. Whiting following eatables: box lemons at wholesale price—those not used to be returned; roasted peanuts—about \$2.00 worth. Forty cocoa [sic] nuts; 2 one-lbs tins coffee—Columbia brand; small paper bags for holding candy and peanuts; one bunch bananas.

Arrangement on day of picnic: Miss Kirby to arrange ice cream; Mrs. West & Mrs. Brodie—tea and coffee; Mrs. Gull and Mrs. Hedley—peanuts and candy; Mrs. Black and Mrs. Reid—lemonade; Mrs. West to ask two [unreadable] and Mr. McKay to manage cocoa [sic] pies. Mrs. Gill promised to make candy.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. West, that the meeting be adjourned until 2 o'clock on Thursday 27th, business to be tidying Hall grounds. Carried.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, Vice President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

JUNE 27th [1912]

A meeting was held on Thursday 27th at 2 o'clock at Hall with object to tidy up grounds. The following business was done.

1st Secretary instructed to send first payment for piano, viz. six dollars (\$6.00) to Mr. J.H. Ross on New Westminster by July 1st.

2nd To write Lees Ltd. asking him to exchange one-rung chairs for stronger chairs with two rungs.

3rd Write to Bank of Montreal asking whether papers of value, property of Club, may be deposited in vault.

4th Write to Montgomery giving inside measurements of the Hall and asking whether it is economically possible to heat by electricity. Donation of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) received from Mr. E. Watson. Two dollars (\$2.00) received from Mrs. Spilsbury towards refreshment fund.

Moved by Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill, that outside lower part of the Hall be finished before 1st July. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Gill, that promissory note to Bank of Montreal be renewed for same amount viz. seven hundred dollars (\$700). Carried.

Meeting adjourned to Lutheran Church in order to inspect beautiful drop scene painted by Mrs. West and donated by her to Club.

Secretary instructed to order one pole 22 ft. two half rounds 20 ft from Brunette Saw Mills.

Meeting adjourned until July 17th at 2 o'clock at Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, Vice President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

JULY 17th [1912]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday July 17th at 2 o'clock. Present eight members.

Minutes: Minutes of preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: Financial statement showed—cash \$221.10; disbursements \$23.00; balance \$198.10.

The monthly accounts for May and June were presented and verified. Secretary reported having sent renewal of note of \$700 from July 13th to October 13th to Bank of Montreal, also \$ 12.25 amount due for interest at 7%.

Correspondence: Letters written—F.J. Hart; Mr. Watson; Lees Ltd (2); J.H. Ross; Bank of Montreal (3); Brunette Saw Mill (2); *Coquitlam Star*. Letters received—F.W. Peters; Lees Ltd. (2); Ross; Bank of Montreal; Brunette Saw Mills; R.S. Whiting account for June.

Secretary reported having deposited in vault of Bank of Montreal the following papers: insurance policy, deed of land, declaration of incorporation, contract of piano, and having received receipt of same from bank.

Secretary instructed to order from Brunette Saw Mills—36 linear ft half round 1½ inch; Lumber for porch: 2 pcs 6-x-6-x-12 s4s fir; 2 pcs 2-x-6x12 s4s fir; 1 pcs 6x6x12 s4s cedar, and request that order sent care of Mr. Gill. Mrs. Black was requested to order two round wicks



The building of the chimney on the Hall was postponed until the fall of 1912. Bricks for the chimney were donated by Mr. Armes, who had a brickyard in the area, and the chimney was built by Mr. Parkes.

Electric heaters originally installed to heat the building were discarded in January 1913 and replaced by a coal heater.

A porch was added at some time in 1913 or 1914.

for lamps.

Secretary instructed to write to Clerk of Council asking for result of request by Ladies Club for donation from Council.

The following amendment was made to motion passed June 13th.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that the hour for closing Wednesday dancing will be 11 o'clock. Carried.

Mrs. Gill and Mrs. Black were appointed warden on these dancing evenings until further notice.

It was decided to hold a concert at Hall on August 17th and the following committee was formed to take care of the programme—Mmes. West, Boulanger, Gill and Black.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, August 7th at 2 o'clock.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, Vice President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

AUGUST 7th [1912]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, August 7th at 2 o'clock at Hall. Present eight members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: Financial statement showed—cash \$207.85; disbursements \$21.51; balance \$186.35.

Secretary reported having received donation of five dollars from Mrs. Halpin.

Correspondence: Letters written—18th July Brunette Saw Mills ordering lumber; 24th July Clerk of Council; 24th July Bank of Montreal; 29th July Ross, New Westminster,

Letters received—July 24th Clerk of Council F.C. Webber; 24th July Lees Ltd. account; August 1st Ross, New Westminster; August 1st Bank of Montreal; August 2nd Brunette Saw Mills, invoice; August 3rd Secretary Railway Commission on matter of station agent.

A letter was received at the meeting from Mrs. Spilsbury tendering

her resignation as president. Secretary was instructed to answer and to present answer by next meeting.

Moved by Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill that gentlemen be asked to pay 50 cents per month for attendance at weekly dance. Carried. A list asking for donations for liming of Hall was taken by Mrs. West.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, August 14th at 2 o'clock at Hall.

[Signed: E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

AUGUST 14th [1912]

Meeting of Ladies Club at Hall at 2 o'clock. Four members present. No business done. Meeting adjourned until 21st at Hall at 2 o'clock.

AUGUST 21st [1912]

Meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, August 21st at 2 o'clock. Present five members.

Minutes: [blank].

Finance: Financial statement—cash \$258.35; disbursements \$38.50; balance \$219.85. Secretary reported having received donation of \$10 from Mr. Hutton.

Correspondence: Letters written 14th O. Lee; Mrs. Spilsbury; 19th Lees Ltd.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Watson, that Mrs. Fletcher replace Mrs. Black pro term on executive. Carried.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that lumber for lining Hall be ordered from Brunette Saw Mills. Carried.

The secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Olaus Lee asking for estimated amount of lumber for the flooring of the lower room and lining of Hall and lower room. Having requested Mrs. Watson to take the chair, Miss Kirby moved the two following motions.

Moved Miss Kirby, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that all picnics, excursions

sions, entertainment, etc. got up by the Ladies Club must be moved and seconded at an executive meeting. The members not present to be notified by secretary. Carried.

Moved Miss Kirby, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that for invitations to picnics etc. each member can invite two besides their own family party, any members wishing to invite more to refer to the executive for invitation. Carried.

The meeting was waited upon by the representative for power for the district and by Mr. Macaulay of the form of Macaulay & Taylor, electricians, of Haney. Its was estimated that four heaters would heat the Hall. Cost to be \$4 per month; power 3 cents an hour. Heaters which are portable to be \$15 each. No charge in summer.

An estimate of wiring for lights and heat was taken by Mr. Macaulay who was requested to send tender for same to Club.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Watson, that we have a dance on Labour Day, September 2nd. Carried.

The secretary was instructed to order one sack of sugar for Mrs. West to replace amount loaned by her to Club. Also 3 tins of coffee Columbia brand, 2 packets ginger snaps, oil cloth for table.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, September 4th at 2 o'clock at Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, Vice President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

SEPTEMBER 4th [1912]

The meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, September 4th at 2 o'clock. Present ten members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$259.05; disbursements \$8.60; balance \$250.45. The secretary reported that \$35.50 was taken at the dance held on the 2nd inst., Labour Day.

Correspondence:

Letters written—Lees Ltd. for chair rungs; O. Lee for estimate or lumber required for lining Hall; Ross with monthly payment; Bank of Montreal for pass book. Answer to inspector of Bank of Montreal in Montreal verifying package deposited in bank. Letters received—re chair rungs from Lees Ltd.; estimate of lumber from O. Lee; from inspector Bank of Montreal.

Miss Kirby was nominated as president by Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill. Carried.

Mrs. Watson was nominated for vice president by Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Gill. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill, that cheque for \$5.72 be sent to Brunette Mills as requested. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the secretary be instructed to write to Mr. Parkes requesting him to undertake building of brick chimney and furnish estimate of same stating amount or material required. Carried.

The secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Ross stating that

complaints had been made about the piano.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that bricks for the chimney be ordered from Mr. Armes and lime and cement from Mr. Whiting. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. West, that a dance be held on the 27th inst. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that plums and pears be canned for future use at the Hall, Mrs. Hedley and Mrs. Whiting to supply plums, Mrs. West, Rolley and Parkes to put them up. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, September 18th at 2 o'clock at the Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

SEPTEMBER 18th [1912]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on September 18th at 2 o'clock at the Hall.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: Financial statement showed—cash \$274.70; disbursements \$1.50; balance \$273.20.

Correspondence: Letters written—J.H. Ross; Mr. Parkes; Bank of Montreal; J. Montgomery; A.D. Cartwright. Received—Bank of Montreal; J. Montgomery, A.D. Cartwright; J.H. Ross.

Secretary reported having received application for use of Hall for concert in aid of [St. Pauls] church repairs on the evening of October 12th. Also application for use of hanging lamps for evening of Sunday, September 29th.

Also application for use of Hall for moving picture show on evening of Friday 20th inst.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Watson, that use of Hall for October 12th be granted. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Miss A. Kirby, that loan of lamps be granted. Carried.

Application for use of Hall for W.A. meetings made. Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that Mr. Whiting's bill for June and July be paid. Carried.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that orchestra book for band be purchased. Carried.

An interview was held with Mr. Parkes on the matter of a brick chimney and it was decided to have it on the west side of the building. Secretary instructed to send order for material without delay viz.—900 bricks; 1 barrel lime; 1 load sand; 2 sacks gypsum hard wood plaster; zinc 1 piece 12 inch by 18 inch; zinc 1 piece 18 inch by 20 inch; 12 soakers.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that amended estimate showing fewer lights be sent to McAuley & Taylor. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the wiring of Hall be left until more money be collected. Carried.

Secretary reported having interviewed piano tuner who had tuned

the piano and left it in a satisfactory condition.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Mr Kruger's account be paid. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, September 25th at 2 o'clock at Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

SEPTEMBER 25th [1912]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on September 25th, Wednesday. At 2 o'clock at Hall. Present seven members. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Finance: Financial statements showed—cash \$291.95; disbursements \$29.07; balance \$262.88.

Correspondence: Secretary reported received donation of \$15 from Percy Bros.

Letters written—McAuley & Taylor; H.J. Percy; R. Armes; R.S.

Whiting. Secretary instructed to write to Mr. Kruger asking him for details of his account.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Mr. Anderson be employed to make door and lock to pantry. Carried.

Secretary instructed to write to Lees Ltd for small can of glue.

Moved Mr. Gill, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that Mr. Anderson be asked to clean Hall. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mr. Gill, that Miss Browne-Clayton be elected member of the Club. Carried.

Application was made by secretary of W.A. for permission to hold fortnightly meetings at the Hall.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the W.A. be permitted to hold its meetings at the Hall free of charge. Carried.

The secretary was instructed to give the following order to R.S.

Whiting—3 tins coffee Columbia brand; 2 20lb sacks sugar; 3 doz. Lemon; 1 can coal oil; 3 lbs. tea for a dollar; 2 buckets, enamel or glvanized.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, October 2nd at 2 o'clock.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

OCTOBER 2nd [1912]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on October 2nd at 2 o'clock at Hall. Present six members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: Financial statement showed—cash \$309.88; disbursements \$3.60; balance \$306.28.

Correspondence: Letters written—S.H. Kruger; Lees Ltd.; Bank of Montreal. Received: S.H. Kruger; McAuley & Taylor.

Secretary reported that the charge of cleaning the Hall had been taken by Yone Mori at five dollars per month.

A letter from McAuley & Taylor with amended estimate was read.

In the event of an interview with Mr. McAuley the secretary was instructed to ask (1) what lighting could be given for \$60 or \$70; (2) whether wall lights are cheaper than chandeliers; (3) advice on stage lighting from above. Suggesting two lights at back and two on each wall; (4) Difference of price between one or two currents in foot lights; (5) what time could be given on payment of account.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. West, that the secretary be empowered to settle the matter of lighting—not exceeding the sum of eighty dollars. (\$80.00) Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. West, that Kruger's account be paid.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the account of the musicians be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that we reduce promissory note on Bank of Montreal by one hundred dollars (\$100.00). Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the secretary be empowered to let the Hall at short notice. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, October 16th at 2 o'clock at Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

OCTOBER 16th [1912]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, October 16th at 2 o'clock at Hall. Present five members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Finance: Financial statement showed—cash \$927.68; disbursements \$700; balance \$227.68.

Correspondence: Letters written—S.H. Kruger; Bank of Montreal; J.H. Ross; McAuley & Taylor. Received—Bank of Montreal; Kruger; Ross.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the charge for the use of the Hall at rehearsal for church concert and for night of concert be left until the affair be over. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that Mr. Whiting be requested to order cotton for making stage fittings. Carried.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that a dance be held on Thursday, October 31st. Carried.

After some discussion on the matter of flooring the lower room of the Hall, an offer was made by Mrs. Rolley to make a house-to-house collection in order to provide the necessary funds.

The meeting was adjourned until Thursday, October 24th at 2 o'clock at the Hall.

[Signed E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

OCTOBER 24th [1912]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Thursday, October 24th at 2 o'clock at Hall. Present seven members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: Financial statement showed—cash \$927.68; disbursements \$700; balance \$227.68.

Twenty three dollars (\$23.00) were presented by Mrs. Rolley, the proceeds of her house-to-house collection for the expenses of the new floor. Secretary reported donation of \$10.00 from Mr. G.L. Pollard.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that the lumber for the floor be first class. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that the lumber be ordered without delay. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. West that we hold a Basket Social on November 28th. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Mr. Gott be asked to put down the floor.

Secretary reported that Yone Mori having taken his departure, the position of janitor of the Hall was vacant.

Mrs. West promised that she would undertake to see that the Hall be properly cleaned for the dance of 31st inst.

Meeting adjourned until Wednesday, November 6th at 2 o'clock.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

[No minutes for the scheduled meeting on November 6th. The next entry was for the meeting of November 13th]

NOVEMBER 13th [1912]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, November 13th at 2 o'clock at the Hall. Present six members. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: Financial statement showed—cash \$230.43; disbursements \$0.55cts.; balance \$229.88.

Bills were presented from Brunette Saw Mills Ltd., Lees Ltd., and McAulay & Taylor.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that Brunette be paid on account \$73.10; Lees Ltd. to be paid on account \$57.00; McAulay & Taylor to be paid on account \$65.00. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West seconded Mrs. Rolley, that a letter of thanks for donation of bricks be sent Mr. Armes. Carried.

The secretary was instructed to write for the heaters to Mr. Montgomery.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that a coal oil [unreadable] be ordered from Kirk, Carried.

It was decided to ask the service of the following people at the Social of 20th inst. Miss Turner, Miss Jackson, Mr. Hutton [?], Mr. Whiting, Mr. Watson; Mr. Hamilton; Mr. Walden; Mr. Arminshaw, Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Gill.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that Miss Turner [school teacher] be allowed use of the Hall, December 23rd, for school

children's Christmas. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that the entertainment arranged for 28th inst take the form of a Necktie Social, and that it be held on the 29th. Carried.

The meeting adjourned until Wednesday, November 27th at 2 o'clock at Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

NOVEMBER 27th [1912]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, November 27th at 2 o'clock in the Hall. Present seven members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: Financial statement showed—cash \$232.13; disbursement \$201.10; balance \$31.03.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that the charge for the use of the Hall for church concerts with rehearsals be two dollars (\$2.00). Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that Mr. Gott be asked to put up porch. Carried.

Secretary was instructed to write Messrs. McAuley & Taylor, requesting them to replace one tungsten light on centre Hall cluster and to Mr. Elrod asking that bulbs be furnished respectively for hallway and dressing room off stage.

Secretary instructed to order—one pkg. boracic; three dozen lemons; 2 tins coffee Columbia brand and to be sent to Mrs. West.

Next meeting in order Wednesday, December 11th.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

DECEMBER 11th [1912]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held at the Hall on Wednesday, December 11th at 2 o'clock. Present five members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement was presented and showed—cash \$86.78; disbursements \$3.75; balance \$83.03.

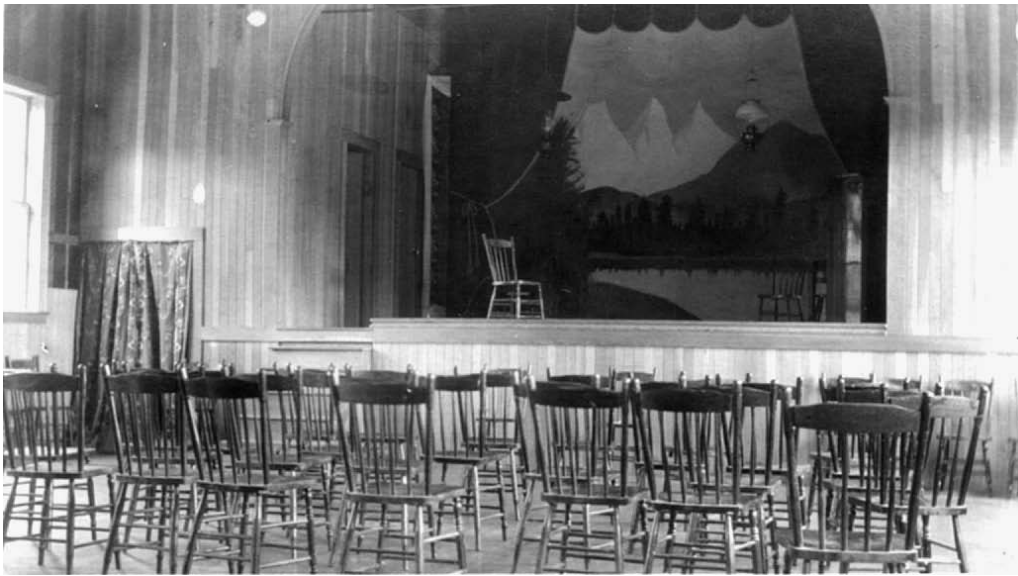
Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the bills presented viz. Mr. Parkes \$42.30; Mr. Gott \$12; and Mr. Whiting's account be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that we hold a Masquerade Ball on Monday December 30th. Carried.

Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Watson, that Mr. Axel Nelson {Mrs. West's son} be paid for cleaning the Hall. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, January 8th at 2 o'clock at the Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]



Photograph attributed to Alice Spilsbury showing the "upper hall" with the stage probably taken in 1913. In the fall of 1912 stronger two-rung chairs, seen here, replaced the original one-rung chairs. Here Martha Marie (Lee) West staged the "theatrical entertainment" Out in the Street. The "drop scene" on the stage was painted and donated to the Ladies Club by Mrs. West. (See 27 June 1912)

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JANUARY 8th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held at the Hall on Wednesday, January 8th, at 2 o'clock. Present seven members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement was presented and showed—cash \$155.18; disbursement \$67.40; balance \$87.78.

The sum of thirteen dollars (\$13.00) was presented by Mrs. Rolley being the completion of her home-to-home collection towards the flooring of lower room. Total forty three dollars.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. West, that a most hearty vote of thanks be accorded Mr. Rolley for her unremitting energy in collecting this much-needed sum. Carried.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Gill, that a most hearty vote of thanks be accorded to the Messrs. Watson for their kind services in providing music gratuitously at the Club entertainments. Carried.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Mr. Fletcher's account for hauling of \$1.50 be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill, that twenty five dollars (\$25.00) be paid R.S. Whiting on account and twenty five (\$25.00) to McAulay & Taylor. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. West, that the electric heaters be discarded. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. West, that a coal heater be purchased. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that a committee consisting of Miss Kirby, Mrs. Boulanger, and Mrs. West be appointed to go to New Westminster to lay our complaints about the piano before Mr. Ross and also to choose a coal heater and order coal. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill, that our promissory note for

six hundred dollars (\$600.00) be renewed with Bank of Montreal. Carried.

The secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Montgomery, requesting him to remove electric heaters.

The meeting was adjourned until Tuesday, January 14th at 2 o'clock. [Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

JANUARY 14th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held at the Hall on Tuesday, January 14th at 2 p.m. Present six members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement was presented and showed—cash \$117.38; disbursements \$36.70; balance \$80.68.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that Axel Nelson be paid five dollars (\$5.00). Carried.

It was decided that the play now being rehearsed by Mrs. West should be given on Monday, February 3rd and that it should be followed by supper and dance.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that a committee of three formed by Mrs. West, Mrs. Boulanger and Mrs. Gill should be appointed to undertake the stage settings. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, 22nd inst. at 2 p.m. at the Hall.

[Signed E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

JANUARY 22nd [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, January 22nd at 2 o'clock at Mrs. West's. Present six members.¹⁵

Minutes: The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

¹⁵ The meeting was not held at the Hall probably because the coal heater had not yet been installed.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$93.93; disbursements \$8.20; balance \$85.73.

Mrs. West reported having purchased coal stove and two cooking utensils at H.J. Kirks, New Westminster, also one ton coal. Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that account for stove, coal and utensils be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. West, that H.J. Kirk's account be paid. Carried.

The Brunette Saw Mills account for \$100.00 interest \$1.30 was presented. The secretary was instructed to write to the company saying that we hoped to shortly reduce amount owing.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that Mrs. Hedley replace Mrs. West on committee to complain about piano. Carried. Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. West, that a dance be held on Monday, February 3rd. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Watson, that a note of thanks be sent Mrs. Garland for her kindness in selling holly in the Masquerade for the benefit of the Club. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, February 5th at 2 o'clock at the Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

FEBRUARY 5th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, February 5th at 2 o'clock at the Hall. Present eight members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting was read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$103.73; disbursements \$65.85; balance \$37.88.

Mrs. West's account for hauling wood and coal was presented.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that Mrs. West's account of five dollars (\$5.00) be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill, that a dollar and a half (\$1.50) be the charge for the evening meetings of the Badminton Club. Carried.

Mrs. West reported that eight quarts of the Club fruit had already been used.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, March 5th at 2 o'clock at the Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

MARCH 5th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, March 5th, at 2 o'clock at the Hall.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$45.63; disbursements \$26.15; balance \$19.48.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Rolley (following a request from

the Badminton Club) that members of the Club be allowed to play at any time during the day on payment of a weekly rental. That five dollars be the charge per week for hire of the Hall, the Club to play mornings, afternoons or evenings excepting such times as the Hall may be otherwise occupied. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Black, that the janitor be paid fifty cents a week extra on account of sweeping required through Badminton Club. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that five dollars (\$5.00) be the charge for political meeting of March 13th. Carried.

Mrs. Watson reported that Mr. Kirk would send a catch for front door of the Hall.

Mrs. Reid was proposed by Mrs. Rolley and seconded by Mrs. West as a member of the Club. Mrs. Cope was proposed by Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Black.

Moved by Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Watson, that the Club's theatrical entertainment be held the Friday after Easter. Carried.

Meeting adjourned until March 13th at 2 p.m. at the Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

[The minutes say March 13th, but the following meeting as held on March 18th]

MARCH 18th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on March 18th at 2 o'clock at the Hall. Present seven members.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$31.08; disbursements 25 cents; balance \$30.83.

After some discussion, consequent on a request of the secretary of the Presbyterian Ladies Aid for the hire of the basement of the Hall on 22nd inst. from 1:30 p.m. it was agreed that the basement being occupied by stage fittings could not be let. It was suggested therefore that the Ladies Aid be offered the stage.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that one dollar (\$1.00) be the charge for hire of the stage by the Presbyterian Ladies Aid for the purpose of holding a sale of home cookery. Carried.

Mrs. Black undertook to convey this decision to the secretary.

Mrs. West stated that gasoline launches could be loaned for the purpose of conveying a party from Ruskin on the evening of the 28th inst. and asked whether the Ladies Club would bear the expense of the gasoline. The members concurred generally on this point.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Black, that Messrs. McAuley & Taylor be paid twenty five dollars (\$25.00) to close their account. Carried.

The meeting was waited upon by two delegates from the Badminton Club, Mr. Harris and Mr. McKay, with a proposition that the Badminton Club be granted the use of the Hall for two evenings in the week and one afternoon for the sum of two dollars and fifty

cents (\$2.50) per week.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that the Badminton Club be charged two dollars and half (\$2.50) for the use of the Hall for two afternoons [sic] and one evening per week, [sic] until their membership increase. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, April 2nd at 2 o'clock at the Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

APRIL 2nd [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, April 2nd at 2 p.m. at the Hall. Present eight members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$111.58; disbursements \$25.55; balance \$86.03.

A cheque of \$10.00 was received from Mrs. Spilsbury in payment of dues for past year and in contribution towards refreshments. A donation of \$10.00 was received from Mrs. Southworth. A donation of six light globes was received from [no name].

Moved Mrs. West, seconded by Mrs. Parkes, that the accounts be paid of—R.S. Whiting \$47.82; J.H. Ross \$16.00; Robert Watson \$12.00; Bank of Montreal \$10.05; Axel Nelson \$6.00; Alexander Baker \$3.00. Carried.

A letter was read from Miss Turner written on behalf of the school children of Whonnock asking for the use of the Hall on April 14th for the purpose of holding a Basket Social and dance for the benefit of the Public School.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Gill that Mrs. Turner be granted the use of the Hall on April 14th for the price of five dollars (\$5.00).

Carried

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the secretary write a letter to the Presbyterian Ladies thanking the Ladies for their consideration in waiving their rights to the stage, on the occasion of their sale of home cookery on the 22nd ult. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that a very hearty vote of thanks be given Mrs. West for her untiring enthusiasm and labour in the preparation of stage settings for the Club, and for her fine painting.

Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that a letter of thanks be written to Mr. Jackson [?] for his valuable and quite indispensable services given to the Club in the matter of stage settings. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Watson, that a vote of thanks be accorded to school mistress and children of the Public School for their kind loan of paintings for the theatrical entertainment of the 28th ult. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Watson, that a most hearty vote of thanks be accorded the performers in the melodrama on 28th ult.

Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Mr. Sandy Baker be paid \$3.00 for his services as floor manager at dance of 28th ult.

Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that \$2.00 be paid to Messrs. Nelson for gasoline expended by them on their kind trip to convey a party by launch to the entertainment of 28th inst. Carried.¹⁶

The secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Kirke thanking him for his kind gift of a new lock for the door of the main entrance of the Hall, and telling him that the old lock would be returned to him by the kindness of Mr. Watson on Saturday next.

Secretary also instructed to accept Mr. Kirke's offer of supplying paint on time and to ask for sample book and prices Sherwin-Williams paints.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the Badminton Club have a narrow line of white paint for a permanent mark for their courts. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill. That the theatrical entertainment combined with the programme of vocal and instrumental music be given again on Saturday, April 19th. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Watson, that Miss Jackson be granted the free use of the Hall and piano in recognition of her kind and valuable services to the Club as concert player. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, April 16th at 2 o'clock at the Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

APRIL 16th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, April 16th at 2 p.m. at the Hall. Present five members. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

The colour book of Sherwin Williams paints was looked through and B.43 shingle colour was approved.

It being found inadvisable to postpone the giving of the melodrama "Out in the Street" at the entertainment of the 19th, it was agreed to strengthen the concert programme. Miss Kirby agreed to ask Miss Oster and Mr. Gilchrist of Ruskin to contribute a dialogue. Mrs. Watson undertook the vocal and instrumental performance. Mrs. Hedley undertook to get ready the Hall.

The secretary was instructed to order three doz. spoons for 75cts. Before next entertainment.

The meeting was postponed until Wednesday, April 23rd at 2 o'clock at the Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

¹⁶ The road connecting what is now 96th Avenue in Whonnock and Ruskin, crossing the Whonnock Reserve, was in a bad state and the bridge crossing the Whonnock Creek was in constant need of repair. The boat service made it attractive to Ruskin residents to attend.

[The next meeting recorded is on April 30th instead of April 23rd]

APRIL 30th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, April 30th at 2 p.m. at the Hall. Present five members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$28.06.

Lees Ltd. reported payment of balance of account viz. \$50.00.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. West, that Lees Ltd. be paid twenty five dollars on account. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that we have a dance on May 16th, the eve of the date on the independence of Norway. Carried.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Gill, that we have Norwegian music for the 16th. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill, that we ask Kirke to give us time till the fall on payment of paint for priming coat on Hall. Carried.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Gill, that we have priming coat instead of finishing. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that Sullivan & Jurfy [?] be asked to tender on painting Hall with priming coat; Club to supply paint. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that Mrs. West be paid \$1.50 for play books, Carried.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

MAY 14th 1913

Annual Meeting

The second Annual Meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, May 14th, at the Hall at 2:30 p.m. Present nine members.

Minutes: The minutes of the last Annual Meeting were read.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. West, that the minutes be adopted. Carried.

The secretary presented a financial statement reviewing the Club accounts for the past year.

Financial Statement for Club Year, May 2nd 1912 to May 14th 1913.

Amount collected by entertainments \$568.35; By donations \$203.00; By rent of Hall \$ 38.85; By weekly dance evenings \$ 29.20; By membership dues and fee \$ 47.00; Total \$886.40 collected.

Amount owing: To Bank of Montreal \$600.00; To Brunette Saw Mills \$108.00; To Lees Ltd. \$ 25.00; To piano \$300.00; Total owing \$1028.50.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Mr. Whiting be asked to audit the Club accounts. Carried.

Election of Officers: The nomination of an balloting for officers was about to be proceeded with when the following motion was made.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the present officers be re-elected for the coming year. Carried.

Officers: President—Miss Kirby; Vice president Mrs. A. Watson.

Secretary-treasurer—Mrs. Hedley; Trustees—Mrs. West, Mrs. Rolley, Mrs. Gill. Member of the executive—Mrs. Fletcher.

Business: The ordinary business of the Club was then proceeded with.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that the secretary ask Mr. Whiting whether he will provide paint on time for priming coat of Hall at price already quoted to the Club. Carried.

A tender for painting for sum of \$95.00 was rejected.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Watson that we have three gallons of ice cream for dance of May 16th. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Watson, that we purchase a set of stencil letters for making posters. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Miss A. Kirby, that a vote of thanks be accorded to officers for their service during the past year. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that Arthur Watson be asked to be the floor manager on 16th. Carried.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

JUNE 2nd 1913

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Monday, June 2nd, at 2:30 o'clock in the Hall. Present five members. The minutes of the meeting of April 30th were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$65.56; disbursements \$7.50; balance \$58.06.

The secretary reported having received a tender for painting Hall with priming coat, and roof for \$50.00 from Mr. James Sullivan. The secretary was instructed to write to Sullivan (the tender having been accepted) to ask him advice about quantity and kind of paint to order.

Also to Mr. Bartlett informing him that the price for the meeting of 6th May, held in the tearoom with inadequate light would be one dollar (\$1.00).

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. West that fifty dollars (\$50.00) be paid to Brunette Saw Mill Co, Ltd. on the account of \$103.50. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the Club hold a dance on the 13th inst. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, June 11th at 2:30 o'clock in the Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

JUNE 11th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, June 11th at 2:30 at the Hall. Present 6 members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting was read and adopted.

Mrs. Hedley's
handwriting.

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June 11th. A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on
Wednesday, June 11th at 2.30 at The Hall.
Present 6 members

Minutes

The minutes of the preceding meeting were
read and adopted -

Finance

The financial statement showed -

Cash \$ 87.21. Disbursements \$ 71.55
Balance \$ 15.66.

Moved Mr^s Watson, seconded Mr^s Gill
That the dance practices be held on
Wednesdays instead of Saturdays -

Carried

The Secretary was instructed to post the notice
at the store -

Moved Mr^s West, seconded Mr^s Gill.
That one janitor be paid fourteen
dollars (\$14.00).

Carried -

Moved Mr^s Watson, seconded Mr^s Gill
That Mr^s Charles and Olans Lee receive
letters of thanks for their kind services to
the Club -

Carried

Moved Secretary, 2nd Mr^s Gill.
That Mr^s Loris Watson be invited to be
responsible for music at the dance practices
at remuneration of one dollar (\$1.00) per evening,

Carried

Moved Mr^s West, seconded Mr^s Gill.
That a letter of sympathy be written to
Mr^s Polley in her late bereavement -

Carried -

E. A. Hedley Sec. Treas.
H. M. Kirby Pres.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$87.21; disbursements \$71.55; balance \$15.66.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the dance practices be held on Wednesday instead of Saturdays. Carried.

The secretary was instructed to post the notice in the store.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill, that our janitor be paid fourteen dollars (\$14.00). Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Messrs. Charlie and Olaus Lee receive letters of thanks for their kind services to the Club. Carried.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the Mr. Louis Watson be invited to be responsible for the music on the dance practices at remuneration of one dollar (\$1.00) per evening. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Gill, that a letter of sympathy be written to Mrs. Rolley in her late bereavement. Carried.¹⁷

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

JUNE 25th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, June 25th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall. Present six members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$64.91, disbursements \$14.10; balance \$50.81.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that a committee consisting of Mrs. West and Mrs. Gill be formed and superintend the painting of the Hall. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Watson, that Miss Halpin be elected member of the Club. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that for the future the weekly dances take place on Friday instead of Wednesday. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Watson, that Mrs. Spilsbury and Miss Kirby be asked to act as delegates from the Ladies Club on the committee appointed to interview the Railway Commission. Carried.

Moved Mrs. West, seconded Mrs. Watson, that we have a concert and dance on the 11th July. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, July 9th at 2:30 at the Hall

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

JULY 9th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, July 9th a 2:30 p.m. at the Hall. Present ten members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$50.81.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that our janitor be paid five dollars. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Cope, that J.H. Ross be paid eight dollars for July payment on piano. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Watson, that our note with Bank of Montreal for \$611.00 due on the 14th be renewed. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that Lees Ltd. be paid twenty five dollars (\$25.00) to close account. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Parkes, seconded Mrs. Watson, that Mr. Axel Nelson be paid six dollars. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Watson, that Mrs. Hedley be reimbursed one dollar for stationary. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that Miss Newsom be elected a member of the Club. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. West, that Mr. Hokon Nelson be reimbursed one dollar expended on gasoline used in the Club's service. Carried.

Mrs. West having resigned her position on the executive it was moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the secretary write Mrs. West reconsider her resignation. Carried unanimously.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that a letter of apology be sent by the Club to the Messrs. Watson expressing regret at unintentional slight shown to them on the question of orchestral music kindly supplied to the Club. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, August 27th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

AUGUST 27th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on August 27th at 2:30 at the Hall. Present nine members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted. Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Watson, that Mrs. Newsom be elected member of the Club. Carried.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$742.01; disbursements \$662.10; balance \$79.91.

Accounts were presented from Jas. Sullivan, R.S. Whiting, W. Canada Power and Lighting Co., Brunette Saw Mills Co. Ltd., D.C. Webber (taxes), Mr. Axel Nelson, Mr. Robt. Watson., J.H. Ross.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Mr. Sullivan's account of \$50 for painting the Hall with priming coat be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Cope, that the janitor be paid ten dollars for two months services due him on 27th August. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that account for electric lighting (\$3.61) and ditto for taxation (\$1.60) be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Parkes, seconded Mrs. Watson, that Axel Nelson's account for services as musician at dance of July 11th be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that secretary expenses, 50cts. be paid. Carried.

¹⁷ James Rolley, Fanny Rolley's husband, had died on 24 May 1913.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Halpin, that Brunette Saw Mills be paid \$14.30 on account. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that our present wardens, viz. Mr. Kirby, Mr. Fletcher, and Mr. J. Watson be asked to again hold office for the coming Club year. Carried.

A letter was read from Mrs. West giving her reasons for abiding by her decision to resign from the Club.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that Miss Jackson be sent cheque for one dollar in consideration of her kind services as musician at last dance practice. Carried.

Mrs. Watson moved, Mrs. Rolley seconded, that we hold a Basket Social on September 12th. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Cope, that Mr. Walden be asked to act as chairman at Basket Social, and Mr. Arthur Watson as his substitute in case of refusal. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Watson, that Mrs. Fletcher, Miss Halpin and Miss Newsom be elected on Entertainments Committee for September 12th. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that Mrs. Hedley buy paint and brushes for posters. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that Mr. Nelson and Mr. Olaus Lee be asked to supply music on the 12th. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Watson, that Mrs. Parkes be elected trustee in place of Mrs. West who resigned her office. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, September 17th at 2:30 at the Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

SEPTEMBER 2nd [1913]

A special meeting of the executive committee of the Ladies Club was called on Tuesday, September 2nd at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall to consider the matter of Mrs. West's resignation from the Club, the said resignation having been laid on the table in the preceding meeting. After a lengthy discussion Mrs. Watson begged to express to the Club regrets at having, at a Club meeting, used expressions in the heat of a discussion, detrimental to a Club member.¹⁸

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that Mrs. Watson's apology to the Club be accepted. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that Mrs. West resignation from the executive be accepted. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that the Club does not wish to accept Mrs. West's resignation [as a member]. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that a copy of the two

¹⁸ One wonders if it was Mrs. West who made the "unintentional slight" about the Watsons' music," causing Mrs. Watson to use "expressions in the heat of a discussion, detrimental to a Club member." One suspects that the sudden resignation by Mrs. Boulanger (née Spilsbury) a short time later is also related to Mrs. Watson's "expressions" which could well have referred to Mrs. West's husband being of mixed blood as was the case with Mrs. Boulanger's husband too.

motions relative to Mrs. West's resignation be sent to her. Carried. Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the meeting be adjourned. Carried.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

SEPTEMBER 17th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, September 17th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall. Present eight members.

Minutes: The minutes of the two preceding meetings were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$94.31; disbursements \$86.91; balance \$7.40.

The account for electric lighting for the month of August was presented.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that bill for electric light on one dollar be paid. Carried.

After a lengthy discussion on ways and means with regard to lining the Hall it was moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Cope, that each member of the Club be requested to collect ten dollars (\$10.00) towards lining the Hall. Carried.

Meeting adjourned to October 1st.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

OCTOBER 1st [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, October 1st at 2:30 p.m. in the Hall. Present five members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$86.65; disbursements \$9.00; balance \$77.65.

Donations towards lining the Hall were received from—Mrs. Boulanger \$10; Mrs. Hedley \$10; Miss Kirby \$10; Per Miss Halpin \$2; Mr. Tisdall per Mrs. Parker \$5; total \$37.00.

Accounts were presented from Brunette Saw Mill Co. Ltd. and R.S. Whiting.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Reid, Brunette account, that \$40 be paid to close account. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Reid, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that R.S. Whiting be paid \$35.00 on account. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that our note with Bank of Montreal be renewed. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Reid, that ten dollars be the charge for the rent of the entire hall for an all-evening entertainment. Carried.

Resignation of two members from the Club were read by the secretary.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that we accept the resignation of Mrs. Boulanger with great regret. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Parkes, seconded Mrs. Reid, that Miss Halpin's resigna-

tion be accepted with regret. Carried.

The secretary was informed unofficially that the Badminton Club would begin play on Thursday, October 2nd.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, October 15th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

[Signed H.G.M. Kirby, President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

OCTOBER 15th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, October 15th at 2:30 at the Hall. Present nine members. The minutes of the preceding meeting was read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$121.40; disbursements \$75.00; balance \$46.40.

A letter was read from Mr. Earle, secretary of the Badminton Club, requesting permission to install side lights in the main Hall as the high lights interfere with the play.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the secretary write to Mr. Earle, giving permission for the change of lights. Carried.

A request was received from Mr. Earle, to hold a choir practice for St. Pauls' Church in the Hall on Fridays from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. The secretary was instructed to interview Mr. Earle on this matter.

The secretary was instructed to write to the Brunette and to the Fraser Mills for best terms on supplying lining for Hall.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that Mrs. Fletcher make enquiries as to how much lumber be necessary for lining entire Hall and moving dressing rooms. Carried.

A letter was read from the Bank of Montreal asking for a substantial reduction on promissory note.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Watson, that the bank be paid one hundred dollars (\$100.00) to reduce note. Carried.

The secretary was instructed to order one hundred posters from Mission also to write Dagggers Orchestra for date of 24th October in view of holding a dance.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that Friday, 24th be fixed for a dance if Dagggers Orchestra can be obtained. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, October 29th at 2:30 in the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer]

[OCTOBER 24th 1913]

A special meeting was called on Tuesday, October 21st to make arrangements for Friday's dance. Present eight members.

It was arranged that the members of the orchestra should be given supper at the Hall on their arrival. Mrs. Rolley, Mrs. Parkes, Mrs. Brodie undertook to be on hand. Miss Kirby to bring beef, Mrs. Hedley fish, Mrs. Parkes tomatoes. Mrs. Hedley undertook to put up Mr. Dagger, Mrs. Brodie the other two musicians. Milk to be brought by Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Kirby, Miss Newsom. Cream, Mrs. Newsom, Mrs. Cope, Mrs. Hedley. All members to supply cake and

sandwiches as usual.

Mesdames Gill, Newsom, Fletcher, Hedley and Parkes to decorate and arrange Hall on Thursday at 2 p.m.

All Club members to undertake duties of hostess during the dance. Secretary to order 3 lbs. tea, 2 pkgs. Boracic. President to take 2 doz. lemons for lemonade.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer]

OCTOBER 29th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, October 29th on 2:30 p.m. at the Hall. Present seven members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meetings were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$669.95; disbursements \$611.85; balance \$58.10.

Mr. Dagggers account for the playing of his three-piece orchestra from 9 to 3 on the evening of the 24th was presented. Orchestra \$30.00, expenses \$4.00.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that Dagger's account be paid. Carried.

Mr. Axel Nelson's account for \$5.00 for music supplied on September 19th was reported to have been left unpaid. Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that Axel Nelson's account of \$5.00 be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Cope, that the janitor be paid \$6.25 amount due to him from August 27th to October 1st. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Parkes, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that Ross be paid \$8.00 for September, monthly amount due on piano. Carried.

The following resolution was moved by Mrs. Watson and laid on the table—That the presence of three members of the executive at the regular fortnightly meetings of the Club constitute a quorum and permit that the business of the Club be transacted, all members present being entitled to vote.

Mrs. Fletcher reported that the estimate for lumber to line the entire Hall and move dressing rooms given by Mr. Olaus Lee is 8475 ft. of V joints.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that we hold a Cinderella Dance on November 12th. Carried.

Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Cope and Mrs. Hedley promised to supply one quart milk each.

The meeting was adjourned until Thursday, November 13th at 2:30 at the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer]

NOVEMBER 6th [1913]

A special meeting was called to consider the matter of ordering lumber for lining the Hall.

Four members of the executive being present, business was proceeded with—the president and vice-president being absent.

Mrs. Fletcher moved, Mrs. Gill seconded, that Mrs. Hedley take the chair. Carried.

Letters were read from Brunette and from Fraser River Saw Mills.

After a lengthy discussion—

Mrs. Gill moved, Mrs. Fletcher seconded, that the lumber be ordered from Brunette Saw Mills. Carried.

The matter of moving the dressing rooms, building the porch and entirely finishing the Hall was then carefully gone into.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the dressing rooms be moved, the porch built, and the whole Hall completed. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5 p.m.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer]

NOVEMBER 13th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Thursday, November 13th at 2:30 p.m. in the Hall. Present five members. The minutes of the preceding meetings were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$7.85.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that Miss Jackson be paid two dollars for her service as musician at the Cinderella Dance of the 12th. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Miss Newsom, that we have a Cinderella Dance on 3rd December. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Newsom, that the secretary see Mr. Earle and ask him to help us to organize a concert to be given on the 13th December. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that the electric light bill for September and October viz. \$6.55 be paid. Carried.

[Signed: A. Watson, Vice President; E.A. Hedley, Secretary]

NOVEMBER 26th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, November 26th at 2:30 p.m. in the Hall. Present 6 members. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

The financial statement showed—balance \$23.10.

Mrs. Watson announced that the janitor, Mr. Robert Watson, wished to tender his resignation.

Moved Mrs. Brodie, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the janitor be paid \$18.00 owing to him. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that Mr. Parkes be asked to act as janitor. Carried.

The secretary was instructed to write to the Brunette Saw Mills asking them to ship the lumber of the 5th without fail.

Also to write to Mr. Dagger asking him to send date at once for his orchestra to play in our masquerade.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that we order 50 posters and advertise masquerade from Union Printing Co. and that we ask that price be not more than \$1.00. Carried.

Mrs. Brodie announced that the congregation of the Presbyterian

Church was desirous of holding a series of lime light lectures in the Hall during the winter and asked the committee to set a price per lecture.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that \$4.00 a lecture be the price for the series of four lectures to be held during the winter in the Hall by the congregation of the Presbyterian Church. Carried.

The secretary reported having ordered the lumber for the lining of the Hall; also having ordered two [unreadable] of cordwood from Mr. Scott.

Mrs. Parkes proposed that a damper be purchased for the chimney of the basement stove.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, December 10th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – A. Watson, Vice President]

DECEMBER 10th [1913]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, December 10th at 2:30 p.m. Present nine members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$56.10; disbursements \$18.00; balance \$37.10.

Accounts were presented for W. Canada Power Co. and C.E. Scott.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that electric light bill for November, \$2.90, be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that Mr. Scott's bill for two [unreadable] of fir cord wood \$4.00 be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Parkes, seconded Mrs. Reid, that Mr. Whiting be paid twenty dollars on account. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Miss Newsom, that J.H. Ross be paid sixteen dollars for monthly payment for October and November on piano. Carried.

A letter was read from the manager of Dramatic Society regretting that it was impossible to accept our invitation to give a theatrical performance on January 9th. The secretary was requested to see Mr. Earle and ask him to try and arrange a concert for middle of January.

Mrs. Brodie requested use of the Hall on the evening of Wednesday, 17th for lime light lectures.

Moved Mrs. Cope, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that Mr. Hood be asked to purchase prize for Masquerade Ball, three dollars being the sum specified. Carried.

Arrangements were then made for the Masquerade Ball. It was arranged to hold a meeting in order to decorate Hall on Sunday, 23rd at 2:00 p.m.

The secretary having reported that Mr. Parkes was willing to take janitor's work it was moved by Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the janitor be paid ten dollars a month to undertake all work connected with this charge at the Hall. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, January 7th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – A. Watson, Vice President]

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JANUARY 7th [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, January 7th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted. Present six members.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$134.35; disbursement \$42.90; balance \$91.45.

The secretary reported that \$11.00 had been collected by Mrs. Hood towards the lining of the Hall.

Accounts were presented from J.S. Dagger, J.H. Ross, the janitor and Mr. Hood.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that J.S. Dagger be paid account for 3-piece orchestra, \$35.25. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that J.H. Ross be paid interest on piano amounting to \$25.90 and monthly payment for December viz. \$8.00. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the janitor be paid \$10.00. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that Mr. Hood be reimbursed the sum of \$4.50 spent by him for prizes for Masquerade. Carried.

The secretary having reported that it was not the intention of the Bank of Montreal to renew our note for \$500.00 and that Mr. Reginald Macdonald acting as her trustee was willing to take a mortgage on the property for \$800.00 it was decided to call a general meeting in order to discuss the matter.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that a general meeting be called giving seven days notice and that a copy of the resolution pertaining to the proposed mortgage drawn up by Mr. Macdonald be sent to each member of the Club. Carried.

Correspondence: A letter was received from Mrs. Robert Reid tendering her resignation to the Club.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Mrs. Reid's resignation be accepted with much regret. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that two galvanized coal scuttles be bought. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that we hold a Cinderella on the 16th. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, January 21st at 2:30 p.m.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – A. Watson, Vice President]

JANUARY 14th [1914]

A special meeting was held on Wednesday, January 14th at 2:00 p.m. at the Hall.

Present eight members. Proxies from four members unable to be present.

The vice president addressed the meeting stating that the special business to be transacted had reference to the loan of \$800.00 which it was necessary to raise in order to pay our note to the bank for \$500.00 and to pay the account from Brunette Saw Mills Co. for \$305.00. After general discussion of this matter the following resolution was passed.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Parkes—Whereas the Ladies Club of Whonnock require to raise the sum of \$800.00 to pay off existing debts incurred on behalf of said society; therefore be it hereby resolved that the secretary of the society negotiate for a loan of \$800.00 from Reginald M. Macdonald of Vancouver, B.C., solicitor, for the term of three (3) years with interest at the rate of 8 percent (8%) per annum, and that a mortgage to secure repayment of the said amount with interest at the rate aforesaid, be forthwith executed and delivered to the said Reginald M. Macdonald upon the property of the society being: All and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate and lying and being: commencing at a Post set 20.7 feet N. 23°34' W [description of 0.6728 acres of land] and that such mortgage be executed on behalf of the Society, and under the Seal of the Society, and that the costs of an incidental to the raising of the said money, and the preparation, execution and registration of said mortgage be paid out of the proceeds of the said Loan. Carried unanimously.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that the loan be paid quarterly. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that we have option of renewal at the end of three years for the same or lesser amount. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – A. Watson, Vice President]

JANUARY, 21st [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, January 21st at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Minutes: The minutes of the two previous meetings were read and confirmed.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$59.70.

The secretary stated that a report in full of the meeting with the three resolutions passed at the said meeting had been sent to Mr. Macdonald and that the resolution referring to option of renewal of loan at the end of three years had not altogether met with the approval of Mr. Macdonald.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that the secretary look

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Whonnock
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Jan. 14th 1914

My dear Rex

A special general meeting of the Ladies Club, called according to article 4 of our By-Laws took place this afternoon -

The resolution regarding was carried unanimously by a 75% vote of the Club -

It was suggested, and a motion made to that effect that, we be allowed an option for the renewal of the mortgage for the same or a lesser amount at the expiration of the three years -

Is this possible?

We would like to pay the interest quarterly.

I suppose that the mortgage will be submitted to the Club for approval?

I enclose you form of notice which with alterations makes a convenient record of the meeting.

Believe me
Yours affly
Eveline Hedley

Copy of a letter written by Mrs. Hedley to Reginald M. MacDonald as instructed by the Ladies Aid to negotiate and extension of a mortgage of \$800 for three years.

into this matter and that she be empowered to act according to her own judgement. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that we hold a Cinderella on the 30th. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that a vote of thanks be accorded to Mrs. Wood for her kindness in making a collection towards the lining of the Hall. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Cope, that the rent of basement be two dollars (\$2.00) per evening. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that the secretary write and inform the Poultry Association of the change of price of basement. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that we cease our subscription to the *Coquitlam Star* and that we pay one dollar, amount due for retarded subscription. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Parkes, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that Mr. Whiting be asked to order one ton of coal. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, February 18th at 2:30 p.m.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer]

FEBRUARY 4th [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, February 4th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Present five members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$66.20.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that upon receiving the prospective loan of eight hundred dollars (\$800.00) the secretary send five hundred and nine dollars and twenty cents (\$509.20) to the Bank of Montreal, New Westminster in order to meet our note due. And to the Brunette Saw Mill Co. the sum of three hundred and twenty two dollars and eighty cents (\$322.85) in payment of their account. Carried.

The secretary reported having looked into the matter of renewal of loan at the expiration of three years, and stated that she had been informed that there would be no difficulty about renewal.

The secretary, reported that Mr. Whiting would not be ready to present his dramatic sketch before the 20th inst. It was decided to have a dance after sketch and musical programme on Friday 20th.

Moved Mr. Hedley, seconded Mr. Fletcher that the janitor be paid \$10.00 for January. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, February 18th at 2:30 p.m.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer]

FEBRUARY 18th [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, February 18th

at 2:30 at the Hall. Present four members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$880.70; disbursements \$864.10; balance \$16.60.

The secretary reported that the papers in connection with the mortgage had been signed by the president and secretary. That the money had been received from the mortgagor, Mr. R.M. Macdonald viz. cheque for \$783.20. This being \$800.00 less expenses \$16.80. Only half fees had been charged by Mr. Macdonald in consideration of the fact that the Ladies Club was a benevolent society. The secretary reported having written thanking the firm of McNeill, Bird, Macdonald and Dailing [?] for their generosity in this matter. Cheques covering our note to the Bank of Montreal (\$509.20) and to Brunette Saw Mills (\$322.75) had been dispatched and receipt for same received. The mortgage has been made out for five years from February 5th 1914.

Moved Mrs. Parkes, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that the electric lights bill for January be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that piano account for January be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Fletcher, that we start an account in savings bank deposit of Bank of Montreal, New Westminster, in order to provide for repayment of loan of \$800.00. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that the bank be paid \$2.70 being interest overdue. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, March 4th at 2:30 p.m. [E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – A. Watson, Vice President]

MARCH 4th [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, March 4th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall. Present six members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$48.95; disbursements \$12.70; balance \$36.25.

Moved by Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that the janitor be paid \$10.00 on account. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Mr. Whiting be paid \$20.00 on account. Carried.

Moved Miss Newsone, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that piano account for February \$10.00 be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that a sale of home cooking be held on Friday week to commence at 2:00 p.m. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, March 18th, 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – A. Watson, Vice President]

MARCH 18th [1914]

The meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, March 18th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall. Present eight members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—cash \$77.00; disbursement \$45.40; balance \$31.60.

The secretary reported having paid the electric light account for February (\$5.15) herself as the funds of the Ladies Club were unable to meet it at the required time.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that Mrs. Hedley be reimbursed \$5.15 paid out by her for electric lights account. Carried.

Mr. Olaus Lee's account for lining the Hall was presented, showing \$70.00 charged and \$19.69 donated in free labour.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Newsom, that a vote of thanks be accorded Mr. Lee for his kind donation towards the Club. Carried.

It having been reported that it was the intention of the Badminton Club to give a dance in aid of the funds of the Ladies Club it was moved Mrs. Brodie, seconded Miss Newsom, that the secretary-treasurer see Mr. Southworth on the matter of the dance to be given by the Badminton Club. Carried.

A letter was read from Mr. Black, secretary of the Poultry Association, suggesting that the charge for the monthly meetings, lately set at \$2.00 per event, be lowered to \$1.00 in consideration of the fact that the meetings were continuous.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Hedley, we make enquiries from members of the Council on Saturday next as to the usual charges in such halls as our own. Carried.

Arrangements were then discussed for the luncheon to be provided for members of Council and others on Saturday, 21st.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, April 1st at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – A. Watson, Vice President]

APRIL 1st [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, April 1st at 2:30 at the Hall. Present four members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$42.05.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mr. Brodie, that the janitor be paid \$10.00 and piano account for March \$10.00. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that Mr. Whiting's bill be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that we hold a Cinderella on Friday 17th. Carried.

The letter from the secretary of the Poultry Association suggesting that the charge for continuous meetings be one dollar, which had been laid on the table at the last meeting, was again read and

discussed.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that until such time as the Hall shall have been paid for, the Ladies Club feels that it is not right to abate the present set charges unless the meetings be held more frequently than once a month. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until April 15th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.
[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – A. Watson, Vice President]

APRIL 6th [1914]

A special meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Monday, April 6th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall, to discuss the question of letting the basement to the School Trustees being desired to establish a second teacher in Whonnock. Present seven members.

The Ladies Club having been requested to come to a decision as to terms in this matter was fully discussed by the meeting.

Moved Mrs. Fletcher, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the charge to School Trustees for use of basement for a school class be \$20.00 per month. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that the secretary write to the secretary of the School Trustees giving the consent of the Club to the letting of the basement as a classroom and stating terms. Carried.

The secretary then wrote as desired consenting to the use of the room but making certain provisos.

1st That the Club should have the use of the room after school hours when necessary;

2nd That all alterations be subject to the approval of the Club.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that the secretary be authorized to decide such questions as should arise during the settlement of this affair instead of calling a general meeting. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – A. Watson, Vice President]

APRIL 15th [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, April 15th at 2:30 at the Hall. Present four members.

The financial statement showed—balance \$18.00.

A letter was read from Mr. Martyn, secretary of the School Board, Haney, accepting the offer of the Ladies Club viz. \$20.00 per month for hire of basement for school class.

No business was transacted at the meeting which was adjourned until April 29th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – A. Watson, Vice President]

APRIL 29th [1914]

On account of non-attendance of members no meeting was held on the 29th April. The meeting was adjourned until May 14th.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – A. Watson, Vice President]

MAY 13th 1914

Annual meeting

The third annual meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, May 13th at 2:30 at the Hall. Present seven members.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the minutes be adopted. Carried.

The secretary presented a report of the financial work of the past year.

Financial statement for Club year May 14th 1913 to May 13th 1914.

Amounts collected by: entertainment \$495.05; donations \$205.55; member dues and fees \$55.55; rent \$174.25. Total cash received: \$930.70.

The secretary reported that on the 5th February 1914, the sum of \$800.00 was advanced on mortgage to the Club at the rate of 8% interest, payable half-yearly, by R. M. Macdonald, barrister of the firm of Bird, McNeal, Macdonald and Dailing of Vancouver (910 Metropolitan Building).

Amounts owing: To mortgage R.M. Macdonald \$800.00 & interest; Work on lining Hall, Olaus Lee, \$70.00; J.H. Ross, piano account \$173.00 & interest. Total owing \$1043.00.

Election of officers: Voting papers having been distributed to the members and scrutineers having been appointed, the following members were elected to office:

Officers: President Mrs. Fletcher. Vice president Mrs. Gill. Secretary. Treasurer Mrs. Hedley. Trustees: Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Rolley, Mrs. Brodie. Member of the Executive: Mrs. Parkes. Programme secretary: Miss Newsom. Janitor: Mr. Parkes. Floor manager: Arthur Watson. Warden: Mr. Kirby, Mr. Fletcher, Mr. J. Watson.

Moved Mr. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Watson, that a vote of thanks be accorded to the outgoing officers, particularly to Miss Kirby, our president, and Mrs. Watson, our vice president, for their services during the past year. Carried.

[Georgina Fletcher, President – E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer]

MAY 13th [1914]

At the close of the Annual Meeting, a short business meeting was held, Mrs. Fletcher occupying the chair.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Miss Newsom, that a vote of thanks be accorded the Badminton Club for their kind donation of sixty six dollars (\$66.00) collected at their dance of April 22nd given in aid of the funds of the Ladies Club.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that Mr. Olaus Lee be paid \$70.00 owing to him for lining the Hall. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that Mrs. Hedley be reimbursed three dollars (\$3.00) for damask table cloth purchased by her for the Club. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Gill, that we hold a Cinderella Dance on May 25th. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until June 10th at 2:30 at the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – G. Fletcher, President]

JUNE 10th [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, June 10th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall. Present seven members. The minutes of the preceding meetings were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$88.15.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that the janitor be paid for April and May. Carried.

Moved Miss Newsom, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that the piano account be paid for April and May. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Parkes, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the electric light bill for May be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Miss Newsom, that we buy two O'Cedar mops and a tin of oil. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that a well be dug on Club premises. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that Mrs. Fletcher ask Mr. Anderson to dig well. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that Mr. Whiting be asked to get up an entertainment for Club funds, date if possible July 10th. Carried.

Moved Miss Newsom, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that Mrs. Hedley be voted \$1.00 for secretaries expenses. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that we start an account in savings bank department of Bank of Montreal with twenty five dollars (\$25.00) in order to provide a sinking fund for repayment of mortgage. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until July 8th at 2:30 at the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer]

JULY 8th [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, July 8th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall. Present four members.

Minutes: The secretary not being present, Miss Newsom took secretary's notes, but the minutes were not read.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$50.20; \$19.00 owing for rent of Hall.

The secretary reported having opened an account in savings bank department of Bank of Montreal and having deposited \$25.00.

Moved Mrs. Parkes, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that janitor, piano account and electric light account be paid of June (\$21.00). Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Miss Newsom, that we send for lumber for cribbing well. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until August 5th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – G. Fletcher, President]

AUGUST 5th [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, August 5th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall. Present five members.

Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

Finance: Financial statement showed—balance in hand \$41.85.

Accounts were presented from—Brunette Saw Mills Co. \$6.37; R.S. Whiting \$3.50; Thomas E. Hollinshead \$26.40; J.H. Ross \$7.99; R.M. Macdonald \$32.00; A. Parkes \$10.00; J.H. Ross \$10.00.

Moved Mrs. Parkes, seconded Mrs. Gill, that interest on mortgage for six months from February 5th to August 5th be paid \$32.00. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. McGill, that Mr. Hollinshead's account for digging and cribbing well, \$26.40 be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Watson, that janitor be paid for July. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Watson, that the following accounts be paid—Brunette Saw Mills \$6.37; R.S. Whiting \$3.50; Electric lighting for July \$1.00.

A letter was read from the School Board suggesting that the Club accept \$50.00 paid in advance for use of basement for school purposes for coming four months of the Christmas term.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the secretary write to the effect that the Club does not see its way to accept the reduced amount offered, the original sum specified being \$20.00 per month. The Club has installed a well for the use of the school children at a cost of \$35.00, having counted upon receiving \$80.00. Carried.

Mr. Brodie having made an application at the meeting of the Presbyterian Church and having asked whether it were possible to purchase chairs from the Club, and at what price.

Mrs. Gill moved, Mrs. Watson seconded, that the Presbyterian Congregation can purchase 40 or 45 chairs as requested at the price paid by the Club to Lees Ltd. Carried.

Mrs. Lund having been proposed as a member of the Club, the secretary moved, Mrs. Gill seconded, that Mrs. Lund be elected member of the Club. Carried.

The secretary was requested to write to Mrs. Lund, to the effect and also to Mrs. Reid, reminding her of her election and membership in March 1913.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Mr. Sullivan be asked to paint extension and oil floor, providing the material himself.

The meeting adjourned until Wednesday, 19th inst. at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – G. Fletcher, President]

AUGUST 19th [1914]

A meeting was held on Wednesday, August 19th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall. Present five members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: Financial statement showed balance \$2.45.

(1) The secretary reported having written to Mr. Brodie, agreeing to sell the chairs at 55 cents flat, price originally paid to Lees Ltd. (2) To Mr. Sullivan requesting him to paint extension and oil floor. (3) To Mr. Martyn of the School Board rejecting offer of \$50.00 for rent of basement for Christmas term. (4) To Mrs. Reid reminding her of her election to Club in March 1913. (5) To Mrs. Lund informing her that her name had come up for election to Club and had been accepted.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Miss A. Kirby, that Mrs. Watson try to get pump for well. Carried.

Moved secretary, seconded Miss A. Kirby that we have a picnic by launch to Pitt Lake on 28th inst. Carried.

Arrangements were then made for the picnic, the president having informed us that Mrs. Axel and Olaus Lee and Mr. Isaac Nelson had offered kindly to lend us their launches for the occasion.

The meeting was then adjourned until Wednesday, September 2nd at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – G. Fletcher, President]

SEPTEMBER 2nd [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, September 2nd at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall. Present five members.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$38.83.

Accounts were presented from: R.S. Whiting \$10.90; Taxes \$5.25; J.H. Ross piano account and interest \$27.99; A. Parkes, janitor, August \$10.00.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that Mr. Whiting's account \$10.90 be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that J.H. Ross's account (piano two month, interest December 1st, June 1st) \$27.99 be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Parkes, that accounts of janitor \$10.00; taxes \$5.25 and electric light be paid. Carried.

Correspondence: Letters written reported. Mrs. Gill, Lund, Brodie, Newsom on subject of picnic. J.B. Martyn for the rejecting offer of lower terms. Mr. Charles Lee thanking him for so kindly providing music during the past winter.

The meeting was then adjourned until Wednesday, September 16th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – A. Watson]

SEPTEMBER 16th [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, September 16th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall. Present six members—Mmes. Watson,

Parkes, Rolley, Miss A. Kirby, Miss Newsom, Mrs. Hedley. In the absence of the president Mrs. Watson was voted to the chair.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$1.69.

The secretary read a letter from Miss Kirby protesting against the transfer of \$25.00 from the savings bank department to current account. The matter, in the absence of the president, was laid on the table.

The secretary reported an interview with Reeve Lougheed who had requested that the Ladies Club elect a chairman for sub-committee in Whonnock of Municipal War Relief Association.

The meeting having decided that Miss Wilson would be suitable for the office, Miss A. Kirby offered to interview her. Upon the refusal of Miss Wilson, Miss A. Kirby moved, Mrs. Parkes seconded, that Mrs. Fletcher be elected chairman of Whonnock sub-committee for Municipal War Relief Association. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Miss Newsom, that for the future the names of members attending meetings be recorded. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Miss Newsom, that no rent be charged for the Hall when required for any purpose connected with the War. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, September 30th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – G. Fletcher, President]

SEPTEMBER 30th [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, September 30th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mmes. Fletcher, Watson, Gill, Rolley, Brodie, Hedley.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: Balance 2.69.

The sum of \$27.50 was paid by Mrs. Brodie on behalf of the congregation of the Presbyterian church, being amount due on 50 chairs at 55 cents each sold by the Ladies Club.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Watson, that we borrow \$25.00 from the sinking fund at 8% interest. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that Mr. Parkes be offered \$5.00 for looking after the Hall under the present conditions. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Brodie, that janitor, piano account, and electric lighting be paid for September. Carried.

Proposed Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Watson, that Miss Wilson be elected member of the Club. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, October 14th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – G. Fletcher, President]

OCTOBER 14th [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, October 14th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mmes. Fletcher, Hedley, Brodie, Reid, Miss A. Kirby.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: Balance \$9.19

The secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Sullivan requesting that he paint the addition and oil floor as soon as possible.

There being no business to transact, the meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, November 11th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – I. Gill]

NOVEMBER 11th [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, November 11th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mmes. Gill, Rolley, Parker, Miss A. Kirby, Miss Wilson, Mrs. Black, Reid, Hedley. In the absence of the president the chair was occupied by the vice president Mrs. Gill.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: Balance \$52.84.

Mr. Sullivan's account for painting addition to Hall and oiling floor with paints etc. supplied of \$12.70 was presented.

Moved Mrs. Parkes, seconded Mrs. Rolley, the Mr. Sullivan's bill be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Miss Kirby that accounts of janitors, piano and electric light be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Miss Wilson, that we hold a Masquerade on New Years Eve. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Reid, seconded Miss A. Kirby, that a special committee composed of Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Black, and Miss Wilson be formed to secure music for Masquerade and get out posters.

Moved Miss A. Kirby, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the charge for admission to Masquerade be one dollar for gentlemen and twenty five cents for ladies. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, December 9th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – G. Fletcher, President]

NOVEMBER 25th [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, November 25th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall to consider the question of getting up a dance in aid of Belgian Relief Fund.

Roll: Mmes. Fletcher, Gill, Hedley, Black, Rolley, Miss Wilson, Miss Newsom.

The subject having been thoroughly discussed, moved by Mrs. Gill, seconded by Mrs. Rolley, that we have a dance on Thursday, December 4th. Carried.

Moved secretary, seconded Mrs. Gill, that price of admission be fifty cents, Carried.

The secretary was requested to notify absent members to bring refreshments. It was agreed to sell tickets beforehand.

[E.A. Hedley, Secretary/Treasurer – G. Fletcher, President]

DECEMBER 9th [1914]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, December 9th at 2:30 at the Hall.

Roll: Mmes. Fletcher, Hedley, Watson, Gill, Black. Misses A. Kirby, Wilson, Newsom.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$53.29.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Miss Wilson, that accounts for November viz. janitor \$8.00; piano \$10; light \$1.80 be paid. Carried.

The subject of the Masquerade having come under discussion, and amendment to the motion passed at the meeting of November 11th was proposed Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Black, that admission to Masquerade be \$1.00 for gentlemen, 50 cents for ladies, and 50 cents spectators. Carried.

Moved Miss Wilson, seconded Miss Newsom, that Mrs. Fletcher arrange the matter of music for the Masquerade and send out posters. Carried.

Moved Miss A. Kirby, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that Mrs. Black purchase prizes at \$1.00 a prize. Carried.

The secretary was requested to send sum of \$76.00 as realized at dance to the manager Bank of Montreal, New Westminster, asking that it be forward to proper authority in New Westminster as donation of Ladies Club to Belgian Relief Fund.

Moved by Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that a vote of thanks be sent to Mrs. West for her kindness in presenting an oil painting to the Club to be raffled in aid of the Belgian Relief Fund and also for her help in raffling the same. Also to Mr. Fletcher for the kindness in lending a horse and to Mr. Axel Lee for lending a buggy to enable the ladies of the Club to sell tickets beforehand for the dance in aid of the Belgian Relief Fund. Carried.

The secretary was instructed to order half a ton of coal from Mr. Joseph Mayers, New Westminster.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, January 6th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

G. Fletcher, president – E.A. Hedley, Secretary-treasurer

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JANUARY 6th 1915

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, January 6th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall. Roll: Mmes. Fletcher, Watson, Parkes, Hedley,



In the minutes of 6 January 1915, the name Methot is mentioned for the first time. Joseph (Joe) H. Methot took over as shopkeeper of the old Whonnock General Store from R.C. Whiting. The store burned down in March of 1916 and was not rebuilt. Methot left Whonnock. Graham filled the need for a general store and Graham is mentioned for the first time in January 1917 as a supplier. Showler's Red and White did not open until 1920.

Gill, Benson, Black, Miss A. Kirby. Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$103.09.

Accounts were presented from Methot \$1.05; A. Parkes \$5.00; Mrs. Black \$1.65 (prizes at Masquerade); Mrs. Hedley, keys 90 cents, tickets 50 cents, electric bulbs 70 cents. Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill, that piano account \$10.00; Mrs. Black \$1.65; Mrs. Hedley \$2.10 be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Black seconded Mrs. Gill, that \$2.00 charged by musicians at Masquerade for playing overtime be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Black, that the janitor be paid seven dollars per month beginning for the month of December. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Miss A. Kirby, that savings bank account be reopened with \$25.00. repayment of loan of August 3rd and \$1.00 interest on same. This sum to be nucleus of a sinking fund for repayment of mortgage. Carried.

Moved Miss A. Kirby, seconded Mrs. Watson, that the Club express its sympathy with Mr. Brodie in his late bereavement, the loss of our beloved member Mrs. Brodie who passed away on Monday, December 21st, and that the secretary convey the same in a letter of condolence. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Benson, that Miss A. Kirby be elected trustee in place of Mrs. Brodie. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill, that five dollars be the sum charged for the Hall for W.A. reception of January 18th. Carried.

The secretary was requested to purchase coffee pot, tea pot, and fire

shovel.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, February 3rd at 2:30 at the Hall.

G. Fletcher, president; G. A. Hedley, secretary-treasurer.

FEBRUARY 3rd [1915]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, February 3rd at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mmes. Fletcher, Hedley, Rolley, Benson, Gill, Watson, Miss Agnes Kirby.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$65.90.

Accounts were presented from—(1) Bird, Macdonald & Ross \$32.00 interest for six months on mortgage; (2) C.G. Evans, tuning piano \$5.00; (3) Piano account for January \$10.00; (4) Janitor for January \$7.00; (5) Reimbursement to Mrs. Hedley \$1.70 spent on coffee and tea pots.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the interest on mortgage \$32.00 be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Mrs. Hedley be reimbursed \$1.70. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Watson, that janitor, piano and light for January be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that Mr. Evans be paid \$5.00 for tuning piano. Carried.

Correspondence: Letters were read from School Board, from Mr. McLeod and from Mr. Brodie and from the secretary of the Board of Management of the Presbyterian Church. The secretary was instructed to inform the school trustees that the matter referred to viz. the moving of closet below the well in order that the water be not contaminated should be attended to.

Election of members: Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Mrs. Collins be elected a member of the Club. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Watson, that the memorial tablet to Mrs. Brodie be purchased.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Watson, that Mrs. Gill and Mrs. Hedley be appointed to confer with Mr. Brodie, on this matter. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Benson, that we have a Hard Times Dance on the 15th inst. with piano music by Mr. Thompson of Stave.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, March 3rd and 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

G. Fletcher, president; E.A. Hedley secretary-treasurer.

MARCH 3rd [1915]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, March 3rd at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.



This tablet, attached to a wall in the vestry of the United Church in Whonnock, still witnesses the contribution of Mrs. Brodie to the community.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Rolley, Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Black, Miss Agnes Kirby, Mrs. Hedley.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$57.34.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Gill, that janitor's account for February \$7.00; piano account \$10.00 plus interest \$5.94; lights account for February and music for Hard Times Dance be paid. Carried.

A report having been made by Mrs. Gill and Mrs. Hedley of their interview with Mr. Brodie on the subject of the memorial tablet to be erected to Mrs. Brodie, moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Reid, that Mrs. Black be authorized to buy the tablet. Carried.

After some discussion upon the subject of entertainment to be given in aid of expenses of the Hall, moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill, that we have a dance on Easter Monday. Carried.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Reid, that charge for admission to dance be \$1.00 for gentlemen and 50 cents for ladies. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that Mrs. Black see musicians in Vancouver and arrange about the music. Carried.

A concert for the 17th March was suggested and Mrs. Fletcher undertook to arrange this.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, March 3rd at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

E.A. Hedley secretary-treasurer; Isa. Gill

MARCH 31st [1915]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, March 31st at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Hedley, Mrs. Benson, Miss Agnes Kirby, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Rolley, Mrs. Black, Miss Newsom.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$26.05.

In the absence of the president the chair was taken by the vice president.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the following accounts be paid. Janitor \$7.00, piano \$10.00, and electric light for the month of March. Carried.

The resignation of Mrs. Parkes was brought before the committee. After some discussion and expression of sympathy for Mrs. Parkes on account of her recent operation and present delicate health, moved Mrs. Rolley, seconded Mrs. Black, that the resignation of Mrs. Parkes be not accepted; but that she be invited to become an honorary member for a year. Carried.

A visit was made to the Rev. Mr. Fisher [sp?] who decided to inform the committee that the memorial tablet to Mrs. Brodie have been placed in the church, veiled. He announced that a ceremony would take place on Saturday, 10th April, when he requested that the tablet be unveiled by the president of the Club. The secretary was instructed to inform Mrs. Fletcher.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, April 28th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall

E.A. Hedley, secretary-treasurer, Isabella Gill

APRIL 28th [1915]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, April 28th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Roll: Mmes. Fletcher, Gill, Black, Rolley, Collins, Watson, Miss Agnes Kirby, Miss Wilson, Mrs. Hedley, Mrs. Benson.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$48.05.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Black, that the janitor's account \$7.00, piano \$10.00, electric light, reimbursement to Mrs. Hedley for fee to notary public \$1.00, secretary's expenses \$1.00 be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Miss Wilson, that the Club account for the past year be audited by Mr. Methot. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill, that, should Mr. Methot be too busy, Mr. Brodie be asked to audit account. Carried.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Gill, that hair broom price \$2.00 and one thousand tickets price \$1.25 be purchased. Carried.

A letter having been read from Mrs. Reid requesting that Mrs. Sproule's name be brought forward for election, moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Mrs. Sproule be elected member of the Club. Carried. The secretary was instructed to notify Mrs. Sproule. The meeting was adjourned until a date to be decided after the annual meeting fixed for the 12th May.

Georgina Fletcher, president, E.A. Hedley, secretary-treasurer

Annual Meeting

MAY 12th 1915

The fourth annual meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, at 2:30 pm, May 12th at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Hedley, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Black, Mrs. Reid, Miss Agnes Kirby.

Minutes: The minutes of the last annual meeting were read. Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Miss Agnes Kirby, that the minutes be adopted. Carried.

The secretary presented a report of the financial work of the past year.

Financial statement for Club year.

Receipts: Balance 1914 \$121.50; Members dues \$55.25; Rent of Hall \$230.40; Donations \$5.00; By sale of Club chairs \$27.50; Entertainments \$317.60; Total receipts \$757.25.

Disbursements: Lining of Hall \$73.50; Piano account \$143.90; Janitor \$ 105.00; Piano tuning \$5.00; Expenses of entertainments etc. \$31.60; Secretary's expenses \$3.30; Electric light \$17.60; Hire of musicians \$54.00; Well \$32.77; Interest on mortgage \$64.00; Coal \$4.75; Memorial tablet \$25.00; Sinking fund \$26.00; Taxes \$5.25; Donations to Belgian Relief Fund \$76.00; Painting addition and oiling floor \$12.70; total disbursements \$680.45. Balance on hand \$76.15.

Notice of motion: That a committee be formed to manage all entertainment. Such committee to have power of adding to its number regardless of membership. Outside committee men to be approved by the executive.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Benson, that the outgoing officers retain their offices for the coming year. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Benson, seconded Mrs. Collins, that Mrs. Black be elected member of executive to replace Mrs. Parkes. Carried.

List of officers: president Mrs. Fletcher; vice president Mrs. Gill; secretary-treasurer Mrs. Hedley; trustees Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Rolley, Miss Agnes Kirby; member of executive Mrs. Black; programme secretary Miss Newsom.

The foregoing motion of which notice had been given was moved by Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Gill, and carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Miss Agnes Kirby, that Mrs. Collins be appointed on committee of management of entertainment. Carried.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Benson, that Mrs. Black be on committee. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Reid, that Mrs. Fletcher be on committee. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until 1916.

Georgina Fletcher, president – E.A. Hedley, secretary-treasurer

MAY 12th [1915]

A short meeting of the executive was held after the annual meeting.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Black, that a vote of thanks be accorded to Mr. Arthur Watson for his kind and able management of concert for the benefit of Hall expenses and to Miss Watson and Mrs. Watson for their kind assistance at same. Carried.

A letter was read from a committee at Ruskin asking for the use of the Hall on the 24th and for the cooperation of the Ladies Club at a picnic on that day.¹⁹

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the Ruskin committee be given the use of the Hall. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until the first Wednesday in June.

E.A. Hedley, secretary-treasurer

JUNE 2nd [1915]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, June 2nd at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Black, Mrs. Watson, Miss Agnes Kirby, Mrs. Hedley.

Materials: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$111.15.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Miss Agnes Kirby, that the monthly expenses of piano, janitor and electric light be paid. Carried.

A letter was read from Mr. F.J. Hart giving notice of expiration of insurance policy on June 18th.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Black, that our insurance on the Hall from \$2,500.00 (\$2,000.00 on building and \$500.00 on furniture) be renewed for three years. Carried.

A letter from Mrs. Newsom announcing her resignation from the Club was read. The secretary was instructed to write to Mrs. Newsom expressing our regret at her resignation.

A request for some stage furniture from Mr. Moody having been put before the meeting, the secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Moody authorizing him to have the furniture required made and to take the expenses out of the proceeds on the entertainment of the 18th.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that we have a dance on the 25th. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Black, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that we buy a stove offered us by Mr. Methot for \$35.00, and time. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Miss Agnes Kirby, that a vote of thanks be accorded Mr. Methot for his kindness in auditing the Club accounts, also the Ruskin committee for their kind donation of \$15.00. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Black, that the price of dance of the 25th be 75 cents for gentlemen, ladies free. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until the first Wednesday in July.

¹⁹ Ruskin had no community hall at that time. In 1916 the old Ruskin school was moved across the road, serving the community until it burned down in 1922, to be replaced in 1923 by the present Ruskin Community Hall.

E.A. Hedley, secretary-treasurer – I. Gill

JULY 7th [1915]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, July 7th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Sproule; Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Rolley; Mrs. Benson; Miss Agnes Kirby, Mrs. Black, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Hedley.

Minutes: The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$67.20.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Black, that accounts for janitor \$7.00, electric light, piano \$10.00, carpenter \$4.00 be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Rolley seconded Mrs. Black, that the piano be tuned. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Black, seconded Miss Agnes Kirby, that we pay half the amount due on stove purchased from Mr. Methot, viz. \$15.00, instead of the whole sum. Carried.

A letter was read from Mr. Moody with account enclosed of proceeds of entertainment by R.W.M.T.C. on the 18th June.

The secretary was instructed to thank Mr. Moody for his kind help to the Ladies Club and to apologize for the insufficient number of chairs at the entertainment.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that Mrs. Black try to purchase a quart hot point for boiling water. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, August 4th p.m.

G. Fletcher, president – E.A. Hedley, secretary-treasurer.

AUGUST 11th [1915]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, August 11th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Hedley, Miss Agnes Kirby, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Black, Miss Newsom.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$34.50.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mr. Black, that six months interest on mortgage \$32.00, janitor for July \$7.00, light July \$1.00 be paid. Carried.

A letter was read from Mrs. Rolley handing in her resignation to the Club. It was decided to lay this matter on the table, but as Mrs. Rolley herself paid a short visit to the meeting, she was invited to consider herself an honorary member of the Club until such time as she felt inclined to resume the ordinary membership.

Miss Newsom, Miss Howes [sp?], and Miss Watson were approached on the subject of getting up an entertainment event in aid of the expenses of the Hall. These young ladies consulted to set up a dance, the Club to provide and serve supper.

The meeting was adjourned until the first Wednesday in September the 8th.

G. Fletcher, president – E.A. Hedley secretary-treasurer

SEPTEMBER 8th [1915]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, September 8th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss Agnes Kirby, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Hedley.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$17.80.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Agnes Kirby, that janitor \$7.00, piano tuner \$5.00, and electric light be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Collins, seconded Miss Agnes Kirby, that a vote of thanks for their kind services in getting up a dance for the Club be accorded Mrs. and Miss Newsom and Miss Howes. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, October 6th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Georgina Fletcher, president – E.A. Hedley, secretary-treasurer.

OCTOBER 6th [1915]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, October 6th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Hedley, Miss Agnes Kirby.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance 80 cents.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that the Evangelists be allowed the use of the basement for the week for the same price viz. \$5.00. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Miss Agnes Kirby, that janitor \$7.00, light \$1.00, Ross 49 cents be paid. Carried.

The meeting adjourned until Wednesday November 3rd at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

G. Fletcher president – E.A. Hedley secretary-treasurer.

NOVEMBER 3rd [1915]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, November 3rd at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Hedley, Miss Agnes Kirby; Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Sproule, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Rolley.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and confirmed.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$27.80.

Membership dues to the amount of \$4.50 were received at the meeting.

Proposed Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that Mrs. Drummond be elected member of the Club. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Watson, that Mr. Methots accounts (\$22.30), janitor for October (\$7.00), and electric lighting for October be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that the rent of entire Hall be reduced from \$10.00 to \$8.00. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, December 1st at 2:30 at the Hall.

G. Fletcher, president – E.A. Hedley secretary-treasurer.

DECEMBER 1st [1915]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, December 1st at 2:30 at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Hedley, Miss Agnes Kirby, Mrs. Drummond, Mrs. Collins, Miss Newsom.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$3.00.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Hedley that January \$7.00 and electric light for November be paid. Carried.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that we have a whist party on December 21st. Carried.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs Watson, that the charge for same be 50 cents per head.

G. Fletcher, president

1916

JANUARY 5th [1916]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, January 5th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall. Roll: [left blank] Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: Balance \$22.15.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Collins, that account for janitor \$7.00 and electric lighting be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Miss Agnes Kirby, that we have a Social Evening to be held on Thursday, January 20th. Carried.

A committee to manage this entertainment was formed of Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Sproule, and Mrs. Drummond.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, February 2nd.

No meeting was held in FEBRUARY owing to the inclemency of the weather.²⁰

²⁰ Letter from Joe Methot to his daughter dated 3rd February 1916—
...I have not been very well nor Ernest...but I am alright now. I think it was the beautiful Gripe. Everyone here has it. We have been having such terrible cold weather for the last three weeks & stormy. Just like it is in the East only here the houses are not built for that kind of weather. They are just like summer houses so I had to stay up until 12 or one o'clock to keep the fires up so things would not freeze in the store and last night the wind was just fierce. I thought the house would be blown away. It has been a little milder today. I hope that it will clear up now.

MARCH 1st [1916]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, March 1st at 2:30 at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss Agnes Kirby, Mrs. Sproule, Mrs. Hedley, Mrs. Rolley, Mrs. Gill.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: Balance \$49.00.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Miss Agnes Kirby, that accounts of J.H. Methot \$3.00, half-yearly interest and mortgage payable to R.M. Macdonald \$32.00, janitor for February A. Parkes \$7.00, and electric lighting be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that a vote of thanks to Miss Louise Lee, Mr. Ole Lee, Charles Lee, and Mr. Alexander be accorded for their kind help in getting up a dance for the benefit of the Ladies Club. Carried.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Gill, that a list of names of those who have left Whonnock to serve their country be posted in the Hall. That Mr. Welsted be asked to illuminate the said list, the Ladies Club to bear all expenses. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Drummond, that the decision on the matter of special prices on applications for the use of the Hall be left in the hands of the secretary. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, April 5th.

G. Fletcher, president – E.A. Hedley, secretary-treasurer.

APRIL 5th [1916]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, April 5th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Watson, Miss Agnes Kirby, Mrs. Drummond, Mrs. Benson.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

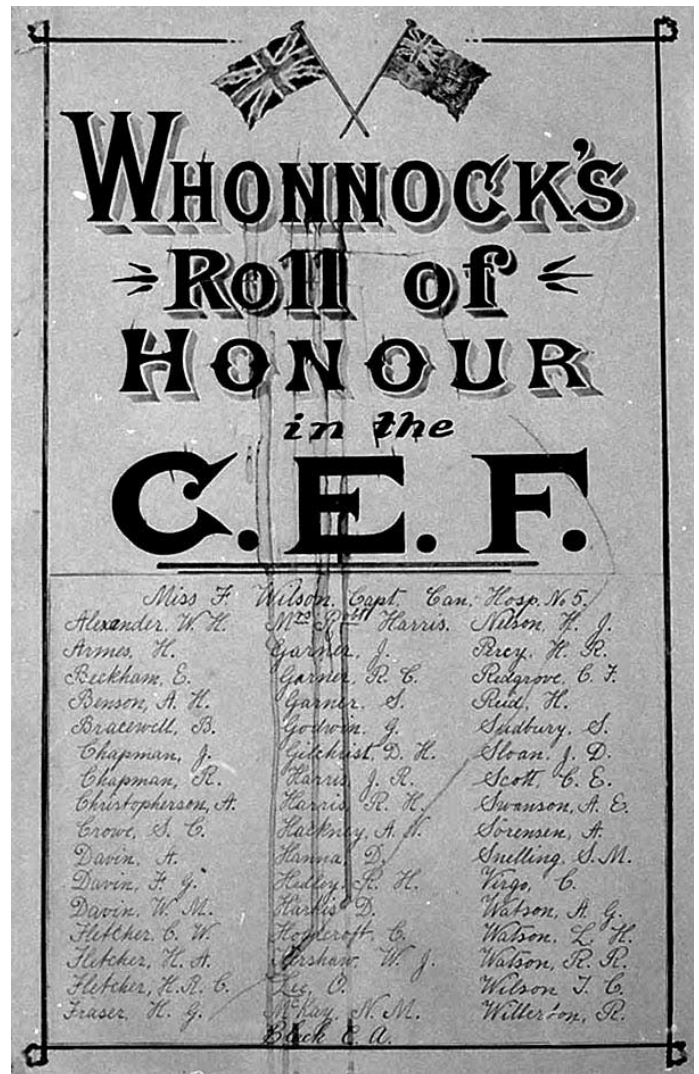
Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$18.00.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Watson, that janitor \$7.00 and light be paid. Carried.

The meeting received a visit from Mr. Welsted who presented to the Club the Roll of Honour of those from Whonnock serving in the C.E.F. illuminated by Mr. Welsted and framed. This most beautiful work was presented to the Club by Mr. Welsted with a request that it be hung in the new post office for a month in order to encourage recruiting.

It was suggested by the president that the Roll of Honour should first be unveiled. After some discussion it was decided to ask the Rev. A.W. Collins to perform this ceremony at a musical evening to be held on Wednesday the 12th at the Hall.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Watson, that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded Mr. Welsted for his beautiful work, and kind



On April 5th 1916 Mr. Welsted presented to the Club a Roll of Honour of those from Whonnock serving in the C.E.F with a request that it be hung in the "new post office" for a month in order to encourage recruiting. The old post office had been in the Whonnock General Store that burned down in March of 1916. The "new post office" took the space between today's post office and the store (built in 1920) as shown in the photo below.



gift to the Club. Carried.

G. Fletcher president – E.A. Hedley secretary-treasurer.

MAY 3rd [1916]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, May 3rd at 2:30 at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Sproule, Mrs. Hedley, Mrs. Gill, Miss Agnes Kirby.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$16.20.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Sproule, that piano tuner \$4.00, janitor \$7.00, taxes for 1915 \$6.20, and electric light for April be paid. Carried.

It was decided to hold the annual meeting on the 17th inst.

With reference to a request from the Women's Institute of Port Haney that we uphold certain action on their part bearing on the question of location of the high school in the municipality, it was moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Sproule, that we thoroughly endorse the action of the Women's Institute Port Haney with regard to superior education. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, June 7th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

G. Fletcher president – E.A. Hedley secretary-treasurer.

Annual Meeting

MAY 17th 1916

The fifth annual meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, May 17th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss Agnes Kirby, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Hedley, Mrs. Sproule, Mrs. Gill, Miss Newsom, Mrs. Drummond.

Minutes: The minutes of the last annual meeting were read. Moved Mrs. Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the minutes be adopted. Carried.

Finance: A report of the financial work of the past year was presented by the secretary.

Financial statement for Club year.

Receipts—Balance 1915 \$76.15; Members dues and fees \$39.00; Rent of Hall \$142.00; Donations \$73.70; Entertainments \$83.00; Sundries \$1.95; Total receipts \$415.80.

Disbursements—Janitor \$84.00, Light \$17.45; Insurance \$112.50; Piano account \$44.49; Interest on mortgage \$64.00; Musicians at dance \$13.00; Stove \$35.00; Cord wood \$8.00; Tuning piano \$9.00; Taxes \$6.20; Carpenter \$4.00; Provisions and sundries \$7.26; Total disbursements \$404.90. Balance \$8.15.

Officers: Voting papers having been distributed and scrutineers appointed the following officers were elected to office. Mrs. Fletcher, president; Mrs. Gill, vice president; Mrs. Hedley secretary-treasurer; trustees: Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Sproule; Miss Newsom,

member of executive.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Miss Agnes Kirby, that Mr. Kirby, Mr. Jack Watson and Mr. Bruce Watson be invited to become wardens, and Mr. Parkes to be janitor for the coming year. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that Miss Agnes Kirby be a member of the executive. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until 1917.

G. Fletcher president – E.A. Hedley secretary treasurers.

JUNE 7th [1916]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, June 7th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss Agnes Kirby, Mrs. Watson. Mrs. Hedley, Mrs. Sproule, Mrs. Drummond. Mrs. Benson.

Minutes: The minutes of the May 3rd were read and confirmed.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$8.15.

Proposed Mrs. Hedley, seconded Miss Agnes Kirby, that Miss Watson be elected a member of the Club. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Sproule that janitor for May \$7.00, electric lights \$1.00 be paid. Carried.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Benson, that a special general meeting be called to consider the question of giving up the entrance fee of \$1.00 for new members during continuance of the War. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until July 5th qat 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

G. Fletcher president – E.A. Hedley secretary-treasurer.

JULY 5th [1916]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, July 5th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss Agnes Kirby; Mrs. Hedley, Miss Watson.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$24.45.

Moved Miss Watson, seconded Miss Agnes Kirby, that the monthly expensed (\$8.00) be paid. Carried.

The question of holding a Social Evening in order to provide funds for current expenses was discussed. No decision was come to on this matter.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, August 2nd.

G. Fletcher president – E.A. Hedley secretary-treasurer

AUGUST 2nd [1916]

As only three members attended no meeting could be held. (Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Hedley, Miss Agnes Kirby)

AUGUST 30th [1916]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, August 30th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Hedley, Mrs. Sproule, Miss Agnes Kirby, Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Drummond.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$35.55.

Moved Mrs. Sproule, seconded Mrs. Benson, that monthly payments (janitor \$7.00, light, loan by Miss Agnes Kirby \$15.00 and taxes \$4.00) be paid. Carried.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Benson, that Mrs. Walker be elected a member of the Club. Carried.

Application was made by Mr. Thos. Haggerty to hire Hall for moving picture shows through the coming winter. The secretary was instructed to write to inform Mr. Haggerty that the Hall was not insured against having picture shows.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, October 11th at 2:30 p.m.

G. Fletcher president – E.A. Hedley secretary-treasurer.

OCTOBER 11th [1916]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, October 11th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Rolley, Miss Agnes Kirby; Mrs. Sproule; Mrs. Hedley, Mrs. Drummond.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$17.25.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Sproule, that the monthly expenses, janitor \$7.00, light for September and October \$2.00 be paid. Carried.

A letter was read from Mrs. Reid tendering her resignation to the Club. Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Rolley, that we accept Mrs. Reid resignation with much regret. Carried.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Hedley, that Mrs. Hood be elected member of the Club. Carried.

Moved Miss Agnes Kirby, seconded Mrs. Drummond, that presents of a tin of Morris' Mixture be sent for Christmas to our wardens Mr. Fletcher, now in the trenches, and to Mr. Arthur Watson. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, November 1st.

G. Fletcher president – E.A. Hedley secretary-treasurer.

NOVEMBER 1st [1916]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, November 1st at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Hedley, Miss Agnes Kirby, Miss Watson; Mrs. Drummond, Miss Watson.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and

adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$16.86.

Moved Mrs. Walker, seconded Miss Agnes Kirby, that we purchase hair broom and floor wax. Carried.

The suggestion of our former president Miss Kirby that we inaugurate a Flower Show for the coming year, having been conveyed to us, this matter came under discussion. Action was postponed to a future meeting.

Moved Mrs. Hedley, seconded Mrs. Drummond, that our monthly expenses be paid. Janitor \$7.00, light \$1.00. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, December 6th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

G. Fletcher president – E.A. Hedley secretary-treasurer.

DECEMBER 1st [1916]

A special meeting of the Ladies Club of Whonnock was held on Friday, December 1st at 4:00 P.M. at the Hall in order to elect a secretary.

Roll: Mmes. Fletcher, Hedley, Walker, Sproule, Drummond, Miss Agnes Kirby, Watson, Newsom.

Moved Mrs. Drummond, seconded Miss Watson, that Miss Newsom be elected secretary-treasurer in place of Mrs. Hedley, resigned.

Carried.

The meeting was adjourned sine die.

DECEMBER 6th [1916]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held on Wednesday, December 6th at 2:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Sproule, Mrs. Benson, Miss Agnes Kirby, Miss Watson.

Minutes: The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$15.86.

Moved Miss A. Kirby, seconded Mrs. Sproule, that monthly expenses be paid. Janitor \$7.00, light \$1.00. Carried.

Moved Miss A. Kirby, seconded Mrs. Sproule, that the Club hold a card party and other amusements on January 1st.

Meeting was adjourned until Wednesday January 3rd.

G. Fletcher president – Helen Newsom secretary-treasurer.

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JANUARY 3rd [1917]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held January 3rd at 2:30 p.m.

Roll: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Drummond, Mrs. Sproule, Miss A. Kirby, Miss Newsom.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: The financial statement showed—balance \$19.90.

Moved Miss A. Kirby, seconded Mrs. Sproule, the following bills be paid. Light, janitor and Graham. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Drummond, seconded Mrs. Walker, that the dressing room door be fixed. Carried.

Letters were received from Mr. Fletcher and Mr. Arthur Watson acknowledging tobacco that the Ladies Club sent to them.

An entertainment for February 9th was proposed.

The meeting was adjourned until February 7th 1917 at the Hall 2:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY 7th 1917

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held February 7th at 2:30 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Sproule, Mrs. Drummond.

Finance: The financial statement showed—in hand \$22.15, in bank \$26.15.

Moved by Miss A Kirby, seconded Mrs. Walker, that light, janitor and interest mortgage be paid.

Moved Mrs. Drummond, seconded Mrs. Sproule, that Mrs. Carmichael be elected a member of the Club.

Moved Mrs. Drummond, seconded Mrs. Walker, that the entertainment suggested for the 9th February be postponed to February 14th, Valentine's Day. Carried.

MARCH 7th [1917]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held in the Hall.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Sproule, Mrs. Walker.

Moved Miss A. Kirby, seconded Mrs. Gill, that the Club accepts Miss Newsom's resignation as secretary-treasurer. Carried.

Moved Miss A. Kirby, seconded Mrs. Walker, that Miss Newsom be asked to continue her membership in the Club. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Watson, that the janitor and light be paid. Carried.

Moved Mrs. Sproule, seconded Mrs. Gill, that Mrs. Walker be elected secretary-treasurer. Carried.

A donation of 25 cents was received from Mr. Aikman.

APRIL 4th [1917]

A meeting at the Hall 2:30 p.m. Only three members were present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby and Mrs. Walker, so no business was transacted. Meeting adjourned until May 2nd at the Hall at 2:30 p.m. G. Fletcher president – Susie M. Walker secretary-treasurer.

MAY 2nd [1917]

A meeting was held at the Hall on May 2nd.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Parkes, Mrs. Walker.

Moved Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Watson, that the janitor be paid.

Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Gill, that price for the Hall for the dance be \$3.00, and as profit to be for War Relief, the use of the kitchen be donated.

The annual meeting was arranged to be held on May 16th in the Hall at 2:30 and the secretary was instructed to notify members who were not present.

G. Fletcher president

MAY 16th [1917]

The 6th annual meeting was held at 2:30 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Sproule, Mrs. Walker.

Discussions took place re rent of Hall, re janitor's work which has not been satisfactory of late. The secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Parkes very strictly and clearly re better care of Hall.

It was decided that the price of hire of Hall for entertainments should be \$5.00 dollars, \$1.00 for Lower Hall alone, \$2.00 if with use of pantry and stove.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and adopted.

Finance: A financial statement for the past year was presented by the secretary.

Receipts—Balance for last year \$6.35; Cash in bank \$1.80; Members fees \$37.75; Rent of Hall \$98.35; Entertainments and donations \$78.55. Total \$223.00

Disbursements—janitor \$84.00; lights \$12.00; taxes \$4.80; Interest \$64.00; Coal and hauling \$5.50; Tuning of piano \$7.00; groceries, broom, wax, etc. \$9.54; Total \$186.84

Leaving cash in hand and in bank \$36.16

Officers were elected. Voting papers having been distributed and scrutinisers appointed, the following were declared to have been elected to office:

Mrs. Fletcher, president; Mrs. Walker, secretary-treasurer; vice president Miss A. Kirby; trustees Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Sproule; Miss Watson, member of executive; wardens Mr. Kirby, Mr. Whiting, Mr. Bruce Watson. Secretary instructed to write to Mr. Kirby, Mrs. Whiting and Mr. Bruce Watson.

Moved Mrs. Drummond, seconded Miss A. Kirby, that electric light bill be paid.

Annual meeting adjourned till May 1918.

Agnes D. R. Kirby vice president – Susie M. Walker secretary-treasurer.

Next meeting to be held in the Hall June 6th at 2:30 p.m.

JUNE 6th [1917]

A meeting was held in the Hall at 2:30.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Sproule; Mrs. Gill, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Walker.

A letter was read from Mr. Parkes who resigned his position as



Georgina (Lee) Fletcher's husband Henry Robert Fletcher, a warden of the Ladies Aid, fell at the front on 29 October 1917.

janitor and Mr. Nels Nelson was appointed in his stead at the same remuneration. It was also decided to refund \$2.00 to Mr. Aikman as the Hall was charged \$7.00 instead of \$5.00 for the last dance for War Relief.

Next meeting at 2:30 p.m. in the Hall on July 4th.

The secretary was instructed to

write and thank Mr. Whiting for his kindness in auditing the books and to ask what the Club was indebted to him for his services.

JULY 4th [1917]

A meeting was held at 2:30 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Sproule, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Walker.

It was announced that Mr. Whiting would consider his services as auditor as his donation to the Club.

Moved by Mrs. Benson seconded Mrs. Watson, that light \$1.00, piano tuning \$3.00 and wares from Graham be paid.

AUGUST 1st [1917]

A meeting was held but no business transacted only three members being present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby and Mrs. Walker.

AUGUST 22nd [1917]

A special meeting was held to discuss the projected Flower Show.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Hood.

Proposed by Miss A. Kirby, seconded Mrs. Watson, that a sale of home cooking and small show of flowers be held on September 11th in the Hall at 3 o'clock.

It was also decided to solicit gifts for sale of any kind including farm and garden produce.

Secretary instructed to write Mrs. Scott, Mr. Hamilton, and Mr. Walden asking them with Mrs. Gill to kindly act as judges. It was announced Mrs. Hood would kindly give a prize value \$1.00 for the best arrayed shale of flowers and Mrs. Walker would give \$1.50 for same. Also decided to have a class for sweet peas. All passed unanimously.

Susie M. Walker secretary-treasurer – Georgina Fletcher president.

SEPTEMBER 3rd [1917]

A meeting was held at 2:30 p.m.

Present: Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Sproule, Mrs. Drummond, Mrs. Walker.

Owing to the absence of Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby took the chair. A vote of sympathy was proposed by Mrs. Gill and seconded by Mrs. Sproule, to Mrs. Fletcher, and the secretary instructed to write and express to her the appreciation of the members of the Club of her very great loss in the death of her husband at the front and of the Club in the loss of one of its wardens. A letter was received from Mrs. Fletcher asking the Club to hold the sale of Home Cooking and Flower Show and wishing it success.

Letters were read from Mrs. Scott and Mr. Hamilton consenting to act as judges. It was also announced that Mr. Hood would give a prize for the best bouquet of flowers grown and arrayed by a bachelor or widower. Mrs. Drummond kindly gave a prize for the best collection of potted plants and Miss A. Kirby one for girls and one for boys for the best collection of dried flowers, including berries and grasses.

Proposed by Mrs. Sproule, seconded Mrs. Gill, that entrance to show be 10 cents for adults, 5 cents for children under 12 years, that refreshments be 10 cents.

Also carried unanimously that the show be open from 3 – 9 p.m. Miss A. Kirby to take the door, Mrs. Drummond and Mrs. Sproule ice cream. Mrs. Hood consented to arrange for music. Mrs. Rolley, Mrs. Parkes and Mrs. Welsted to be asked to assist. Proposed Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Drummond, that janitor, and light be paid and that coal be ordered.

SEPTEMBER 11th [1917]

The Flower Show was held as arranged and proved a great success, everyone being very much interested, all anxious to have it carried on as an annual event. The Kelly Douglas traveller donated the coffee and Mr. Graham the necessary sugar so that there were no out of pocket expenses and the total receipts amounted to \$54.40.

Susie M. Walker secretary treasurer – Georgina Fletcher

OCTOBER 3rd [1917]

A meeting was held in the Hall at 2:30 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mesdames Benson, Watson, Gill, Hood, Drummond and Walker.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

The financial statement showed a balance in hand of \$65.65.

It was proposed by Miss A. Kirby and seconded by Mrs. Watson, that \$73.00 be placed to credit of sinking fund. Carried. Sixty dollars from balance in hand, \$13.00 transferred from current account.

Proposed Mrs. Watson, seconded Mrs. Gill, that light, janitor, and sweeping compound be paid for. Carried.

Miss Watson's resignation was received with regret and Mrs. Gill was unanimously elected a member of the executive in her place. Mrs. Gill proposed, Mrs. Watson seconded, that secretary order 1 ton of lump coal from Jos. Mair of New Westminster. The secretary was also instructed to write and thank Mrs. Scott, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Walden for their kindness in acting as judges at the Flower Show and to Mrs. Welsted for helping with the refreshments. The meeting was adjourned till the 1st Wednesday in November. Susie M. Walker secretary-treasurer – G. Fletcher president.

NOVEMBER 7th [1917]

A meeting was held in the Hall at 2:30 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Benson, Mmes. Sproule, Gill, Drummond, Walker.

Proposed by Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Sproule, that light and taxes be paid. Carried.

Moved Miss A Kirby, seconded Mrs. Benson, that 1 ton of lump coal be ordered from the United Farmers Feed Store and that secretary ask Mr. Bruce Watson to haul it. Carried.

Also decided that the Badminton Club might have the use of the Hall on Wednesday evening and Saturday afternoon for one dollar per time, on condition that they keep the Hall in good condition, swept and dusted and that no smoking be allowed and that secretary write to Mr. Whiting to that effect.

Susie M. Walker secretary-treasurer – G. Fletcher president

DECEMBER 5th [1917]

A meeting was held in the Hall at 2:30 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Sproule, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Drummond.

It was moved by Miss A. Kirby and seconded by Mrs. Benson that secretary pay for coal and hauling. Carried.

Also that secretary write to C.M. Merritt, superintendent Soldier Comforts, "J" Unit M.H.C. Command to say that the Club being a very small body all fully occupied they do not at present see their way to appoint a member of Club to act on the Women's Advisory Board of the Soldier Comforts "J" Unit M.H.C.C.

Suzie M Walker secretary-treasurer – G. Fletcher president

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JANUARY 2nd 1918

Meeting in Hall at 2:30 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Sproule, Mrs. Drummond, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Walker.

Only a hurried meeting as members were due at Mrs. Benson's for a presentation to Mrs. Welsted. Decided to pay into bank towards insurance of Hall \$47.00.

Meeting adjourned till February 6th 2:30

Suzie M Walker secretary-treasurer – G. Fletcher president

FEBRUARY 6th [1918]

A meeting was held in the Hall.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Drummond, Mrs. Walker.

The matter of insurance as relates to the use of the Hall for picture shows was discussed. Mrs. Fletcher kindly promised to make enquiries about the matter when next in town.

Mrs. Gill moved and Miss A. Kirby seconded that electric light for November and December paid; also that a cheque be sent to Mr. MacDonald for \$32.00 interest on mortgage. Carried.

Suzie M Walker secretary-treasurer – G. Fletcher president

MARCH 6th [1918]

A meeting was held in the Hall.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Sproule, Mrs. Drummond, Mrs. Walker.

The financial statement showed in hand \$21.98.

Mrs. Watson moved and Mrs. Gill seconded that Mr. Evans's bill for tuning piano be paid. Carried.

Mrs. Gill moved, Mrs. Sproule seconded, that the rent of the Hall for church services should be fixed at one dollar per service. Carried.

The matter of holding a Horticultural Show in September was discussed; it was moved by Mrs. Sproule and seconded by Miss A. Kirby, that the three wardens, Messrs. Hamilton, Brodie, Walden, Walker, Andrew Graham and H. Percy be invited to attend a meeting on Monday next at 8:30 o'clock.

The meeting was held, a committee formed and the matter left in their hands; the stipulation being that proceeds of the show should be devoted to reducing the mortgage on the Hall.

Suzie M Walker secretary-treasurer – G. Fletcher president

APRIL 3rd [1918]

A meeting was held in the Hall.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mmes. Benson, Gill, Sproule, Drummond, Walker.

The financial statement showed a balance of \$26.07.

A letter was read from Dr. Mandy re using the Hall for moving pictures. The insurance on the Hall not including picture shows a discussion followed and it was decided that the secretary write to Clerk Webber at Haney to inquire what insurance they have to pay and if Mandy's wires are connected with the hall lighting systems etc.

G. Fletcher president – Suzie M Walker secretary-treasurer

MAY 1st [1918]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held in the Hall.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Mmes. Kirby, Benson, Sproule, Drummond, Walker.

The financial statement showed a balance in hand of \$42.07 and in the bank of \$23.31.

The letter written by the secretary to Mr. Webber re insurance of Hall for moving pictures shows remaining unanswered nothing further was done on the matter. The secretary read a very nice letter from Mr. Marrant thanking the Club for the use of the Hall for the service on Good Friday and for the very small charge made for the same.

It was decided to call the annual meeting for the 15th inst.

G. Fletcher president

MAY 13th [1918]

The 7th annual meeting was held at 2:30.

Present: Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Sproule, Mrs. Walker.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and adopted. In the absence of Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby was in the chair.

The secretary had been prevented preparing a balance sheet, but promised to have it ready for the next meeting. Mrs. Gill proposed, Mrs. Benson seconded, that all officers be elected by acclamation. Carried.

G. Fletcher president – Suzie M Walker secretary-treasurer

JUNE 5th [1918]

June, beginning of Club year.

A meeting was held in the Hall at 2:30 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Walker.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

The secretary presented a balance sheet for 1917-1918 as stated below and showing a balance in hand of \$41.75 and in the bank \$23.31. The secretary having received notice of the expiration on June 18th of the fire insurance policy, a discussion took place as to the advisability of reducing the amount of the insurance.

Mrs. Benson moved that it be reduced to \$1,500. Miss A. Kirby seconded and the motion being carried, the secretary was instructed to write to the insurance company to that effect; also to pay the bill for light during December–May.

Balance sheet for 1917–1918.

Receipts—Members fees \$37.73; Rent of Hall \$146.65; Proceeds of Flower Show \$54.40; Donations W.A. \$5.00; Sundries \$0.75; Cash on hand 1916 \$12.20; Deposit in bank 1916 \$28.13; Total \$284.90
Expenses—Janitor \$35.00; Refund of rent (R.A.) \$2.00; Error in credit (B.W.) \$5.00; Postage \$1.84; Groceries \$1.80; Piano tuning \$6.06; Sweeping compound \$1.00; Ribbon \$0.70; Interest on mortgage \$64.00; Taxes \$5.44; Coal and hauling \$11.60; Deposit to sinking fund \$73.00; Balance on hand \$41.75; Deposit in bank \$23.31; Total \$284.90.

G. Fletcher president – Suzie M Walker secretary-treasurer

JULY 3rd [1918]

A meeting was held in the Hall. Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Mmes. Kirby, Sproule, Benson, Walker. {No other information about the meeting.]

AUGUST 7 [1918]

A meeting was held at Mrs. Fletcher's. Present: Mrs. Walker, Mmes. Kirby, Benson, Sproule, Walker.

Miss A. Kirby proposed and Mrs. Sproule seconded, that electric light (\$1.00) be paid, also interest on mortgage.

G. Fletcher president – Suzie M Walker secretary-treasurer

SEPTEMBER 4th [1918]

A meeting at 3:00 p.m. in the Hall.

Present: Mmes. Fletcher, Kirby, Benson, Walker, Watson, Gill, Sproule, Drummond.

Mrs. Benson moved, Mrs. Gill seconded, that taxes and light be paid. Carried.

Proposed by Miss A. Kirby and seconded by Mrs. Benson, that the Club provide refreshments on the afternoon and evening of the 26th, the day of the exhibition. Carried.

Secretary to put up posters asking for donations in aid of same and to ask Mrs. Rolley and Mrs. Parkes to assist. Mrs. Watson to serve refreshments.

G. Fletcher president – Suzie M Walker secretary-treasurer

OCTOBER 2nd [1918]

A meeting was held in the Hall at 3 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Hood, Mrs. Drummond, Mrs. Walker.

The minutes of the preceding meetings were read and adopted.

The financial statement showed a balance of \$1.64.

Proposed by Mrs. Hood, that Miss Jackson be allowed to use the Hall one day weekly for music lessons at 10 cents per hour, seconded by Miss A. Kirby, and carried.

Miss A. Kirby proposed and Mrs. Drummond seconded that \$136.00, part proceeds [total was \$138.57] of the Horticultural & Home Products Exhibition held on September 26th be placed to the credit of the sinking fund. Carried.

Proposed by Mrs. Drummond, seconded by Mrs. Hood, that a notice be put up thanking all who helped to make the Exhibition such a success.

G. Fletcher president – Suzie M Walker secretary-treasurer

DECEMBER 4th [1918]

A meeting was held in the Hall on the 4th.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mmes. Benson, Watson,

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No meeting held on account of the Influenza.

Feb 5. 1919.

A meeting was held in the Hall -

Present: - Mesdames Fletcher. Kirby - Sprone
Walker.

Finance: - statement

The financial, shown -

Balance in hand \$49.15.

It was moved by Mrs Sprone, seconded by Mrs Kirby that interest due on mortgage be paid, also light account -

The matter of reducing the mortgage was discussed, & the Secretary instructed to write to Mrs Hedley, saying it was contemplated reducing it to \$500, & asking if she were prepared to renew for that sum at a lesser rate of interest.

Secretary also instructed to write to members of Club asking for donations to the above object. Also to write to the Bank to transfer from the savings account to the current account \$236.00; & to pay to Mr Donald & Co. the sum of \$332. being half years interest, & \$300 to reduce principal.

G. Fletcher

Susie M. Walker.

Sproule, Walker.

Secretary reported having received notice from Collector of Taxes, that there were not sufficient funds in bank to meet the cheque issued in payment of taxes. Some money having been received since that date, Miss A. Kirby proposed and Mrs. Watson seconded that taxes be paid now.

Mrs. Benson proposed that the Club serve refreshments on the evening of the Rake Paupers meeting, a small charge being made to go towards the expenses of the Club. Mrs. Watson seconded and it was carried.

Secretary read a letter from Mrs. Drummond rendering her resignation as a member of the Club, owing to her removing from Whonnock. The resignation was accepted with regret.

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JANUARY 1919

No meeting held on account of influenza.

FEBRUARY 5th 1919

A meeting was held in the Hall.

Present: Mmes. Fletcher, Kirby, Sproule, Walker.

Finance: The financial statement showed balance in hand \$49.15.

It was moved by Mrs. Sproule, seconded by Miss A. Kirby, that interest due on mortgage be paid; also light account.

The matter of reducing the mortgage was discussed and the secretary was instructed to write to Mrs. Hedley saying it was contemplated reducing it to \$300.00 and asking if she were prepared to renew for that sum at a lesser rate of interest.

Secretary also instructed to write to members of Club asking for donations to the above object. Also to write to the bank to transfer from the savings account to the current account \$236.00 and to pay to MacDonald & Co. the sum of \$300.00 to reduce principal.

G. Fletcher – Susie M. Walker

MARCH 3rd [1919]

A meeting was held in the Hall.

Present: Mmes. Fletcher, Watson, Kirby, Sproule, Walker.

Financial statement had not been prepared.

The secretary read a letter from Mrs. Hedley, agreeing to renew the loan for \$300 at 6%.

APRIL [1919]

A meeting was held but there being no quorum, business could not be transacted.

MAY 7th [1919]

Again only three members present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Walker.

It was moved and seconded that accounts for light and tuning of piano be paid, and that the annual general meeting be called for May 21st.

No minutes being done in April, the secretary omitted making reference to a letter from Mr. Aikman stating that he holds in the Bank of Commerce Furnace Account, savings bank account the sum of \$11.00 on account of the Ladies Club of Whonnock—proceeds of tea he gave to start a fund to procure heating apparatus for the Hall. G. Fletcher president – Suzie M Walker secretary-treasurer

MAY 21st [1919]

The annual meeting was held in the Hall at 3:00 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Fletcher, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Walker.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and adopted.

The secretary regretted have been able to only draw up a rough balance sheet and also that she was obliged for urgent private reasons to give up the post of secretary-treasurer.

Too few members were present to appoint new officers and it was moved by Miss A. Kirby and seconded by Mrs. Watson that the that the secretary write to the following gentlemen and them to attend the meeting of the Club on June 4th at 8:00 p.m. in the Hall and also to get as many others to come as possible as the Club being short of members was unable to do business and wanted their advice how to proceed.

JUNE 4th [1919]

A meeting was held in the Hall at which the following members were present and also good attendance of the public.

The secretary presented the balance sheet for the year as follows: Revenue: Donations \$40.00; Members dues \$31.50; Cakes \$0.15; Flower Shop \$138.57; Rent of Hall \$140.13; Interest on deposit account \$3.73 (\$359.08); Cash on hand June 1st 1918 \$41.73; Cash in current account \$23.31; Cash in deposit account \$101.76 (total cash \$166.80); Total \$525.88.

Expenditure: Insurance \$67.50; Lighting \$21.12; Groceries \$2.95; Postage \$0.95; Tuning piano \$4.00; Lamps \$2.40; Taxes \$5.64; Paid on mortgage \$300.00 (\$468.56); Interest on mortgage \$64.00; Cash in bank current account \$15.06; Cash in bank deposit account \$40.47; Balance in hand \$ 1.79 (total cash \$57.32). Total \$525.88.

There is also an account in the Canadian Bank of Commerce for a furnace fund \$11.00 deposited by Mr. Robert Aikman.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. Discussion then took place as to the advisability of altering the bylaws, so as to be able to admit male members.

Mrs. Watson moved and Miss A. Kirby seconded that an amendment to clauses 15, 17 be made so as to admit male members to the Club. Carried.

Miss A. Kirby proposed and Mrs. Watson seconded, that the following be members: Mrs. Blois, Mrs. Blois Jr., Miss G. Lee, Mr. Sproule,

Mr. Aikman, Mr. Brodie, Mr. Walden, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Blois, Mr. Scott, Mr. Fred Rolley, Mr McKay, Mr. and Mrs. Dingle, Mr. Whiting, Mr. Kirby. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned till the first Wednesday in July.

A. Kirby president

JULY 2nd [1919]

A meeting was held 8 p.m. in the Hall.

Present Mrs. Fletcher in the chair, Mrs. Walker, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Blois, Mrs. Blois Jr. Mrs. Dingle, Mrs. G. Lee, Messrs. Brodie, Walden, Dingle, Aikman, Sproule, McKay,

Moved by Mr. Sproule, seconded by Mr. Dingle, that Mr. Watson be appointed president. She was elected elected by acclamation.

Moved by Miss A. Kirby, seconded by Mr. Aikman, that Mr. Brodie be appointed vice president. Carried. A ballot being taken for the post of secretary-treasurer and scrutineers appointed. The votes were equally in favour of Mrs. Blois and Mr. Sproule. The president cast her vote in favour of Mrs. Blois who was declared elected.

Proposed by Mr. Aikman, seconded by Mr. Dingle, that Mrs. Benson and Mrs. Sproule be re-elected trustees. Carried.

Proposed by Mr. Brodie, seconded by Mr. Dingle that Miss Kirby be elected trustee in place of Mrs. Watson. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Blois, seconded Mr. Aikman, that Mr. Walden be member of the executive committee. Carried.

Proposed by Mrs. Walker that Mr. Kirby and Bruce Watson be re-elected wardens and Mr. McKay be elected in place of Mr. Whiting. Carried.

New officers took their chairs.

Moved by Mrs. Sproule, seconded by Mr. McKay, that a vote of thanks be given the retiring officers for their excellent work. Carried.

Mr. Pullen was received as member of the Club.

Moved by Miss A. Kirby and seconded by Mr. Aikman that Mr. Brodie be empowered to rent the Hall and collect the fee.

Moved by Mr. Dingle, seconded by Mr. Aikman, that Mr. Sproule's suggestion in regard to Hall Committee be referred to executive committee for consideration.

Meeting adjourned till the 1st Wednesday of August.

AUGUST 6th [1919]

The usual meeting of the Ladies Club was held in the Hall at 8:00 p.m.

Members present: Mr. Brodie in the chair, Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Blois.

Minutes read and accepted. Moved by Miss A. Kirby, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the tax and light bills be paid.

Moved by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Miss A. Kirby, that the secretary purchase new books as required,

The Hall rent for Basket Social received \$1.00. Mrs. Watson paid in

75 cents dues and Mrs. Benson \$1.00 same.

Moved Mrs. Benson, seconded by Miss. A. Kirby, that the Hall may be rented by any of the ladies societies of the churches for afternoon meetings at the rate of \$5.00 a year.

Mr. Watson refused to accept the office of president. Moved by Mrs. Benson, seconded Mrs. Blois, that Miss A. Kirby be elected president, which office she accepted only under great pressure.

Mr. Brodie paid \$1.00 for rent for Basket Social.

Meeting adjourned in the usual way.

A.D.R. Kirby president – M.M. Blois

SEPTEMBER 17th [1919]

A meeting of the Ladies Club was held in the Hall at 3:00 p.m.

Members present: Miss A. Kirby in the chair, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Blois, Miss Wilson, Miss G. Lee and Mrs. H.S. Blois. Minutes of the last meeting read and adopted.

Letter read from Bird, MacDonald & Co. asking that interest of \$20.00 on loan be paid in. As Mrs. Hedley had agreed to reduce to reduce the interest to 6% it was moved Mrs. Walker, seconded Mrs. Watson, that interest be paid at that rate, which would be \$15.00 instead of \$20.00.

Letter read from Barries Entertainment asking for use of the Hall.

Moved by Miss Wilson, seconded by Mrs. Blois, that the Hall be rented to him for \$12.00 including use of piano.

Money received from Mr. Brodie for rent of Hall \$7.00. Keys left with Mrs. Parkes during M. Brodie's absence.

Moved by Mrs. Walker, seconded by Miss Lee, that \$60.00 be placed in savings bank account.

Next meeting to be held on Wednesday, October 5th.

A.D.R. Kirby president – Susie M. Walker secretary pro tem

OCTOBER 15th [1919]

A meeting was held in the Hall at 3:00 p.m.

Present: Miss A. Kirby, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Walker.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

It was proposed by Mrs. Gill, seconded by Mrs. Watson, and unanimously carried, that a small token of appreciation of her long connection with the Club and of her very great help in every way. Be given to Mrs. Fletcher at Christmas time. ²¹

Mrs. Gill asked if the Hall could be rented on November 1st for the Lutheran Ladies to hold a sale of home cooking and on Friday, October 24th for a dance to be get up by the boys.

Discussion took place re the appointment of a janitor. It was proposed by Mrs. Gill, seconded Mrs. Walker, that Mrs. Grieves be appointed caretaker at a wage of \$5.00 for the remainder of October

²¹ In 1919, Georgina (Lee) Fletcher sold her property in Whonnock and moved away. Georgina died in North Vancouver in 1951. Her property at the top of what is now called Byrnes Road became the home of a returning soldier, Henry J. Byrnes, and his family.

and \$10.00 per month for six months from 1st November. Hall to be kept in thorough order, including retiring rooms, cook stove and windows. Stove is to be prepared for lighting and pails of water ready for the Club meetings and entertainments. Cleaning and washing up to be done after entertainments.

NOVEMBER 5th [1919]

A meeting was held in the Hall at 3:00 p.m. Present: Miss A. Kirby, Mr. Brodie, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Fletcher, Miss Watson kindly providing tea, Mrs. Watson leaving for home. Minutes of the previous meeting read and adopted.

Mrs. Gill proposed and Miss Lee seconded, that as the caretaker has thoroughly cleaned the Hall, she receive five dollars extra to the \$5.00 voted for the two weeks of October. Carried.

It was proposed by Mr. Brodie that \$1.50 be charged the Badminton Club for each evening the Hall be used for play and that the keys be taken each time from Mr. Brodie's and returned to him the same evening. Seconded by Miss Lee. Carried.

Secretary instructed to write Mr. F. Rolley, and point out to him that, until the Badminton Club makes application to the Ladies Club for use of the Hall, the rent is liable to be charged at \$5.00 per time. Proposed by Mrs. Gill, seconded Mr. Brodie, that Mr. Grieves be instructed to put a good lock on the outside door of the Hall and fastenings on other doors as necessary.

Received from Miss Lee \$7.00 rent on October 24th. Received \$3.00 dues from Miss Lee and \$3.00 ditto Mrs. Gill and \$1.00 on account of dues from Mr. Brodie.

DECEMBER 3rd [1919]

Meeting of Ladies Club opened 2:30.

Ladies present Miss A. Kirby, Mr. Brodie, Mrs. Watson, Miss Wilson, Miss Lee, Mrs. Gill.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Miss Lee received \$16.00 for present for Mrs. Fletcher. \$15.00 received from Mr. Brodie for rent of Hall.

Moved by Mr. Brodie, seconded Mrs. Watson, that Mrs. Gill confer with Mrs. Hood as to purchase of present for Mrs. Fletcher. Carried. Mr. Brodie having been asked by [teacher] Mrs. Traumweiser if she could rent the Hall at a less figure than the usual charge for a children's party, Mrs. Watson proposed, Miss Wilson seconded, that no reduction be made. Carried.

Moved Mr. Brodie, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that \$2.50 be paid Mr. Whiting for hauling coal.

Secretary instructed to write secretary of Badminton Club that Hall could be rented for \$1.50 a night without fire; if stove used 50 cents extra.

Proposed by Mrs. Gill, seconded Miss Lee, that caretaker paid.

Adjourned to meet January 7th.

M.M. Blois, secretary

December 15th 1919

Copy of the minutes
re Memorial Hall.

First Meeting

A general meeting of the people of Whonnock held to consider the raising of funds for a Memorial for the Soldiers of Whonnock who had fallen in the war.

Mr. Brodie was appointed chairman.

(1) Moved by Mr. Kirby, seconded Mr. McKay that L. Blois be appointed secretary for the evening. Carried.

(2) Moved by Mr. Aikman, seconded by Mr. McKay, that the meeting desire that the Ladies Hall be acquired and turned into a Memorial Hall in Memory of the Soldiers of Whonnock district who fell in the war. Carried.

(3) Moved by Mr. Whiting, seconded by Mr. Lee, that Mr. Aikman and Mr. McKay be appointed to collect funds for this purpose. Carried.

(4) Moved Mr. Aikman, seconded by Mr. Black, that Mrs. Gill and Miss Wilson be also added to the committee. Carried.

The meeting adjourned till further notice.

Signed L. Blois secretary

Copy in the Ladies Club minute book of the minutes of the meeting of the people of Whonnock December 15th, 1919.

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Copy of the minutes. Re Memorial Hall

A General meeting of the people of Whonnock was held to consider the raising of funds for a memorial for the Soldiers of Whonnock who had fallen in the War.

Mr. Brodie was appointed Chairman

1 Moved by Mr. Kirby Seconded by Mr. Mack that L. Blais be appointed Secretary for the evening (Carried)

2 Moved by Mr. Aikman Seconded by Mr. Mackay that this meeting desire that the Ladies Hall be acquired and turned into a Memorial Hall in memory of the Soldiers of Whonnock district who fell in the War - (Carried)

3 Moved by Mr. Whiting Seconded by Mr. Lee that Mr. Aikman and Mr. Mackay be appointed a committee to collect funds for this purpose (Carried)

4 Moved by Mr. Aikman Seconded by Mr. Block that Mrs. Gill and Miss Wilson be also added to the Committee (Carried)

The meeting adjourned till further notice

Signed L. Blais Secretary

By-laws of The Ladies Club of Whonnock

WHEREAS the officers and members of the Ladies Club of Whonnock deem it expedient that by-laws for regulating the society be made.

NOW THEREFORE be it enacted and it is hereby enacted as follows:

1. The head office of the society shall be at the Town of Whonnock, Province of British Columbia at such place therein as the society from time to time may determine.
2. The seal, the impression of which on the margin hereof shall be the seal of the society.
3. The annual general meeting of the members of the society shall be held at such time in the month of May and at such place as the society may determine.
4. A special general meeting may be called by the Secretary at any time at the request in writing of three members of the Committee or by motion at a general meeting of twelve members of the club. The special matter to be considered being stated. Seven days notice to the members shall be given of such meeting and by whom required, and the special matter to be considered thereat, no other question shall be considered at the meeting.
5. The President or in her absence the Vice president shall preside at general meetings, or in the absence of both, the meeting shall elect a chairman. No business shall be transacted at any general meeting at which less than eight members are present.
6. The management and administration of the club shall be vested in a committee consisting of three Trustees, Vice-president and two members of the club. The committee shall meet when and where they deem advisable. Twenty-four hours notice at least must be given each member of the committee. Four members shall constitute a quorum. In case of equality of votes, chairman shall have casting vote in addition to her own as committee man.
7. The committee shall be elected in the following manner, written nominations shall be handed to the Secretary at the annual general meeting, and the list of the names in ballot form shall be handed to each member present at the meeting, such ballot papers shall be marked by the members and shall then be collected and votes counted by two scrutineers appointed by chairman of the meeting, the two members having the highest number of votes shall form the balance of the committee for the ensuing year. All officers and trustees shall be nominated and elected in the same manner as the committee.
8. The committee or the general meeting may as any time appoint a sub-committee consisting of as many members as they may decide and may define the powers of such sub-committee. Such sub-committee may be discharged at any time by the body that appointed them.
9. At the decision of a majority of two thirds of a general meeting, salaries or remunerations may be allowed officers.
10. The committee shall have power to enter into contracts, etc., all such being signed by President, Secretary and bear the corporate seal.
11. The treasurer of the club shall be The Bank of Montreal, New Westminster B.C.
12. A committee or other officers may be removed at any special general meeting and another appointed in his stead.
13. At all committee or general meetings all questions shall be decided by majority of members present and entitled to vote, save and except as provided in clauses 9, 14, 17, 18, and 19.
14. Any candidates for membership must be nominated, seconded and balloted on, at a general meeting and a majority of three quarter votes cast required for election. Candidates shall not be less than 18 years of age.
15. The entrance fee shall be two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) or such sum as may be determined by a general meeting from time to time. The annual subscription shall be three dollars (\$3.00) or such sum as may be determined by a general meeting from time to time. Subscriptions shall become due on the first day of each quarter of the year, namely January 1st, April 1st, July 1st, and October 1st, payable in advance. All members who have not paid within thirty days after the notice is written, the secretary shall report the fact to the committee who shall erase her name from the list of members and thereupon she shall cease to be a member of the club but she may be readmitted by the committee upon her giving such reasons as they consider satisfactory for her non-payment.
16. The secretary shall produce her books for inspection by the committee, or auditors, whenever required.
17. In case the conduct of a member either in or out of the club premises shall in the opinion of the committee be unworthy of a member of the club the committee may by a two-third vote of all the members of the committee call upon such member to resign and should she refuse, may suspend or expel her from the club, such suspension or expulsion may be revoked by a two-third vote of a special meeting of the club.
18. Any amendment to this constitution may be made at a special general meeting by two-thirds vote of the members present.
19. The dissolution or winding up of the club shall only be deemed resolved upon when a resolution to that effect shall have been adopted by a two-third vote of the members present at a special meeting called to consider the proposal and confirmed by a like majority at a special meeting called for a like purpose not less than two weeks nor more than five weeks after its first adoption.

Signed: E.A. Hedley, Secretary, H.G. Kirby, President.



Whonnock School, June 1912, the year the Hall started to be used. Top row: Fred Lee, Charlie Black, Bob Watson, Harold Armes, Gudrun Lee, and Miss Cowie. Middle row: Marie Anderson, Gilbert Lee, and John Nelson. Front row: Lulu Lee, Jean Black, Henry Lee, Henry West, and Kenneth Garner.

There are many photographs of the decaying building taken after 1950s but few showing the Hall in its hey-days between 1912 and the 1950s.

If you have any pictures of the Hall or events at the Hall taken at any time, please give us a chance to reproduce them. Call Fred at 604 462 8942



A pageant at the Hall in Whonnock in 1915.

MORE WHONNOCK NOTES

1. *Transcripts from the Fraser Valley Record (1908-1912)*
News about Whonnock in the Mission newspaper
2. *Cemeteries in Whonnock*
The history of Whonnock's cemeteries
—includes cemetery records and transcriptions of the grave markers
3. *The Trondheim Congregation*
Our Norwegian settlers—minutes of the Lutheran Church in Whonnock
4. *Through the Eyes of Brian and other Friends*
Interviews, notes, and stories dating back to 1913
5. *Whonnock 1897 —John Williamson's Diary*
One of the oldest records of daily life in Whonnock
6. *Ferguson's Landing: George Godwin's Whonnock*
A look at George Godwin's novel *The Eternal Forest*
7. *Robert Robertson and Tselatsetenate*
Whonnock's Scottish first settler and his family
8. *A Name Index of the Whonnock Notes Series No. 1–7*
Compiled by Eleanore Dempster
9. *A Name Index of the Whonnock Community Association
Historical Project Summer 1985 Records*
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10. *The Family of Catherine & Edward Julius Muench*
Catherine was the sister of the wife of Robert Robertson
11. *It Was a Wonderful Life, Brian and Isabel Byrnes*
Brian and Isabel gave all to Whonnock
12. *Whonnock's Post Office*
A history of the Whonnock post office, postmasters and assistants
13. *John Williamson's Diary Revisited*
Now the complete text of a diary kept in Whonnock in 1986 and 1987
14. *The Case of Private Cromarty, a Soldier from Whonnock*
The story of a mixed identity
15. *A Dream Come True*
The story of Whonnock Lake Centre

