

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF THE GATINEAU

NEXT MEETING

October, our usual meeting month, seems somehow to have got away from us. It may be that it took us a little longer to recover from the Auction Sale this year. In any event we hope that you will find our next meeting worth waiting for. It will be held at 8 P.M. on Friday, 6 November 1970 at St. Mary Magdalene's Anglican Church, Chelsea, P.Q. The church is just north of the limits of Chelsea Village on the west side of Highway 11. Enter through the door at the south east corner to the basement.

Now that you know 'when' and 'where' we will divulge the important news of 'what'.

Mr. John Mockett, make-up editor of the Ottawa Journal, has kindly agreed to entertain and enlighten us with a colour slide presentation with sound and music background. There will be two colour photo essays "Search for a Past" and "Pioneer Stones". The first concerns a search into his own background in Sussex, England and the second is about the Billings House in Ottawa which has been much in the news in recent months. Mr. Mockett was born at Billings Bridge and has done professional photography as well as continuing it as a hobby.

This gives promise of being another of our interesting and exciting evenings. Again may I draw your attention to the date and place both of which are at variance with our usual pattern.

LAST MEETING

Although it took place over three months ago the memory of a memorable evening in delightful and historically interesting surroundings lingers on. We are most grateful to Mrs. S.G. McDougall and Miss Mabel Smith of Chelsea for having made the surroundings available and to Mrs. Gladys Blair for her chatty remarks which encouraged participation from the large number of members in attendance.

AUCTION SALE

August 29th dawned bright and clear and fortunately it stayed that way through 'our longest day' of selling. We started sharp at 9:30 A.M. and finished dulled at 10:15 P.M. Everything combined to give us not only our longest sale but also our best attended and most profitable. With all bills and taxes paid the Society will net just under \$1200.00.

Again a sincere thank you to the many who contributed to this most satisfactory venture either by producing the work, producing the goods or by just being plain co-operative!

MOORSIDE TEA ROOM

Another successful season of the Tea Room closed after Thanksgiving Day having catered to many thousands of guests including visitors from each of the five continents.

As for many years now we are deeply indebted to Mrs. May Mulvihill and Mrs. Jean Chapman for their outstanding leadership and hard work all of which contributes so much to the publicity and good name of the Society.

Our thanks also extend to the many fine and loyal staff. One only needs to attend the final closing dinner for the staff, as my wife and I were privileged to do, to be impressed with warm rapport and lively spirit of the whole group which makes the Tea Room such a going concern.

Thank you all again on behalf of the Society!

November 30

Arthur Davison,
President.