

Second World War - 1939

Again our country is involved in war and again the selfsame effort is made at home to send relief, comfort and supplies to the war torn lands.

At the beginning of the war nearly \$50.00 worth of wool was bought, Red Cross Donations, collections \$15.20.

From May 1940, to May 1941- collections and donations - \$30.00. Red Cross Donation \$74.00 - Toronto Telegram British Relief Fund \$18.00. Central Relief Fund \$5.00

From June 1941 - May 1942- Donations to Br. war victims fund \$20.00- Jam for overseas \$25.00 - Russian Relief \$25.00 - Boxes were packed this year too. Sewing and Knitting sent in - 17 sweaters - 22 bro. short socks, - 5 socks - 20 pairs mitts - 15 scarfs - 9 cardigans - 4 pairs pyjamas - 3 boys shirts - 3 pairs bloomers - 3 women's nightgowns - 2 quilts - 11 pairs seaman's socks.

From 1942 - 43 - ten ditty bags were packed for the Navy League. Russian Relief - \$25.00 Aurora Branch Red Cross \$25.00 - 41 pairs socks - 28 sweaters - 1 scarf - 21 pairs mitts - 14 pairs seaman's socks - 24 women's nightgowns - 11 cardigans - 8 pairs socks - 3 pairs child's bloomers - 6 pairs pyjamas - 3 boy's shirts - 3 quilts.

1943-44. Donations to Aurora Red Cross \$50.00 - Postage on boxes \$20.00 22 boxes valued at \$3.00 - \$66.00 - Gifts of candy and cigarettes, also sent 44 - pairs socks - 48 pairs mitts - 15 sweaters - 40 helmets - 3 pairs ladies socks - 3 ladies cardigans - 4 baby bonnets - 5 ladies nightgowns - 11 shirts - 10 slips - 12 boys shorts and shirts - 3 pyjamas - 3 blouses - 6 quilts.

1944-45. Boxes were sent out every two months to local boys until July 1945. Also gum and cigarettes were sent - Donations to Aurora Branch red cross \$25.00 - 128 articles turned in - 11 pairs socks sent in parcels.

A total of \$655.00 was spent on 131 boxes valued at \$5.00 each. Seventy-five percent of box contents was donated by Institute members and friends.

From \$400.00 raised by means of Euchres, a dance and bazaar, \$200.00 went for box postage - cigarettes and candy, and \$132.00 was spent on a "Welcome Home" to the local boys.

Red cross activity spent \$292.44 which purchased supplies of yarn, jam and quilt supplies. Donations to Red Cross, Russian Relief and British war victims Fund.