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The Chairman's Letter

As we reflect on the closing of 2003 the Branch can express pleasure that it has been a good year for us. We have been fortunate to share some interesting programmes, and to have participated in the visit of HRH The Earl of Wessex. The Dinner with Her Honour the Lt.Governor in mid-October was well attended and I wish to express thanks to all who were present.

My regret continues with the fact that we still need to hold an event in Saskatoon where our northern members can come together. I envisage one meeting a year, preceded by a lunch or a supper. The purpose will be to let members meet and get to know each other. It is not intended to form a separate group there at this time as past experience indicates practical problems. However, it could lead us to establish a cell group in Saskatoon and the surrounding area. I will be writing to many of you in January to offer a suggested date and venue for such a gathering. If you have thoughts to offer please contact me at my home address (included in the heading of this Newsletter).

Your Board of Directors met in October and fashioned the programme for the coming year. That outline will be found elsewhere in this Newsletter. The programme includes an opportunity for a full day bus trip to Assiniboia in cooperation with the Royal Society of St.George (Regina Branch). Both organisations have an overlap of members which makes such an event attractive and practical.

The **ANNUAL MEETING** of the Branch has been set for *Friday, 23 January, 2004* at St.Mary's Anglican Church, Montague Street & 15th Avenue, Regina. The meeting takes place at 7.00pm. to allow members from outside of Regina time to get home early. This year here will be at least 3 vacancies on the Board caused by retirement of members who have served for many years. This means that we are actively seeking nominations for new Board members. To facilitate that process I ask that names be submitted to me ASAP so that the process can be well in hand by the date of the meeting. The Board meets three times a year on the same dates as the regular meetings so it will not demand lots of time from those who serve. The fellowship we share at our meetings helps us maintain the work of the League in our province.

Each edition of this Newsletter (3 times year) finds copies being returned because of various reasons. One of the significant reasons is when members have moved and there is no forwarding address. It would be very helpful if you could let the editors know if you have moved so that we can maintain our mailings to you as members. We are also anxious that members renew their memberships as the national policy is that after two years of unpaid renewals a person's name can be removed from membership of the League. During recent months copies have been returned from the addresses of the following members who have died – Dorothy Goodale (Regina), Hilda Bigelow (Regina), Ada Bird (Regina), George Corin (Saskatoon). We extend our condolences to their families. If you have information about members who have died please let me know so that a message of condolence can be sent to their families.

