

The Federated Women's  Institutes of Ontario

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

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Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph



BUCKINGHAM PALACE

IT IS a great pleasure to me to send greetings and congratulations to the Members of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario on the occasion of their Fiftieth Anniversary celebration, with all my good wishes for a happy and useful future.

The opening of Stoney Creek Women's Institute in 1897 is a landmark in the history of rural life, and I am glad to send this message of goodwill because I know of the thankfulness of my fellow Members for their Institutes. Besides those in Great Britain, I have lately seen Members in South Africa and Rhodesia, enjoying and valuing the opportunities for service, mutual help, education and fun which Membership brings and which we owe to the Stoney Creek women, 50 years ago.

My thoughts are with you on this great day, and I wish each one of you happiness and prosperity.

Elizabeth R