

**MRS. CHAS. RUSSELL,
CHAIRMAN, EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE, A.C.W.W.
SENDS APPRECIATIVE NOTE**

Many Women's Institute members will recall having met Mrs. Chas. Russell last year at a luncheon given in her honour by the Department. At the A.C.W.W. meeting in Amsterdam Mrs. Russell was elected Chairman of the Executive.

Excerpts from a personal letter to your director are published below:

"Dear Miss Lewis:

"Lady Haworth and Mrs. Braine both write most enthusiastically of the kindness they had received from the W.I. members with whom you had put them in touch. These exchange visits are going to be of immense value I am sure.

"We arranged a month over here in the spring for Fru Dahlerup-Peterson the President of the Danish Husmondes and also President of the Northern Housewives among the Women's Institutes here and she has now invited 10 W.I. members from the five counties where she was a guest to pay a visit to Denmark. That will mean that 50 British W.I. members will have the opportunity to stay in a Danish home and that 50 Danish women will later visit England.

"I have had a very busy three months this summer but it has been most interesting. In May Mrs. Sayre arrived to go with me to Geneva for the second meeting of the Non-Governmental Organizations having status with the United Nations. We had a very good delegation consisting of Mrs. Sayre and myself, Fru Moysatd of Norway and Miss Zwahlen of the Swiss Organization who is our representative in Geneva.

"The annual meeting took place early in June and Mrs. Sayre made a splendid address which you will probably read in *The Countrywoman*. Before she returned to the States she managed a flying visit to Germany where she saw conditions for herself and was able to bring us a report which is most useful in the light of the news we have had of the re-forming of the Landfrauenverein and their application to us to rejoin.

"In the difficult situation created by the division of Germany into so called Western and Eastern spheres of influence the acceptance might have very far reaching consequences.

"I am off to Sweden tomorrow flying to Stockholm to stay with Fru Lilliehook. She is going to take me up to the north of Sweden to her son's farm and from there I shall travel to Trondheim on the Norwegian coast. Thence to Bergen where I shall pay Fru Irminger a short visit before going to Oslo for only one day alas and fly from there to London. I am looking forward to this little holiday and only hope that the weather will be better than it has been this summer.

"With kind regards and best wishes for your recovery"

Signed "Lella Russell"

From Lady Denman College

Published below are excerpts from a letter sent to Sheddin Women's Institute from Miss Elizabeth Christmas, Warden, Denman College, Marcham. This is just one example of the many letters of gratitude sent from England to Ontario Institutes.

"I do not know how to thank you and your class for the wonderful parcel which you have so generously sent to Denman College. All the things will be most useful and we are going to mark them all with the name of Sheddin, Canada, so that every Institute member who uses them will know who sent them.

"We all feel that it is most wonderfully good of you all to have taken so much trouble on our behalf and I do want you, and all who took part in the gift, to know how much we appreciate your thought and great kindness.

"We are hoping to open the College on September 24th and as you can imagine getting the furniture and linen together has presented many problems. We have managed to collect a certain number of clothing cou-

ENGLISH GUESTS ENTERTAINED IN NORTH YORK



Upper left: Newmarket Women's Institute entertained Mrs. Franklin from Old Windsor, Berks., England, which is near the Royal Lodge, Windsor Great Park. Mrs. Franklin presented the Institute with a collection plate, hand carved to represent a Tudor Rose. This was made from a piece of oak taken from St. George's Chapel, Windsor Castle at the time of the restoration dated 1474. In the picture above Mrs. Franklin is being presented with an F.W.I.O. pin by your Director as Mrs. Elton Armstrong, Vice-President Newmarket Institute, looks on.

Upper right: Mrs. Bentley, President Aughton Women's Institute, Lancashire Co., England and Mrs. Cooper, wife of the former Lord Mayor of the City of York, Yorkshire, chat with Mrs. Chas. E. Lewis, charter member of Newmarket Institute and Mrs. H. J. Charles, charter member of Aurora Institute. Various teas were given in honour of Mrs. Bentley and Mrs. Cooper and they attended the regular meeting of Vandorf and Newmarket Women's Institutes.

pons from self-sacrificing Women's Institute members—one coupon here and a quarter of coupon there—and with these we have been able to buy some sheets and curtain material but they do not go very far when sheets for 35 beds have to be provided. Also, most of the courses we shall be holding at Denman College will be short courses, Monday to Friday and weekend courses, and as laundries take rather a long time nowadays we shall have to have quite a lot of sheets to fall back on. We are more grateful than we can say for the sheets which you and other Institutes in Ontario have sent to us through Miss Lewis' kind offices.

"Everyone who saw them fell in love with the charming tea towels and we have decided that they cannot possibly be used for that purpose. They are going up in the social scale and will be used for tray cloths on the trolleys in the dining room. The tables in the dining room will each seat six people and have red tops; the chairs are stackable ones in grey and red; the tea towels match them perfectly and we are delighted with them.

"We are going to ask all the students who come to the College to bring their own towels. We are all used to that over here now as even in hotels, towels are not supplied. There are, however, always a few people who forget, so we shall have to keep a small store on hand and your towels are the first two in the store.

"I was most interested to read the description of the village of Sheddin. It sounds most active and I should love to see it in the Autumn when the maples have changed colour.

"Denman College is in the village of Marcham which is about the same size as Sheddin but it is not nearly so well provided with amenities as Sheddin. I think this is because Abingdon, the Market town is only three miles off, and Oxford only 9 miles away and people go to these bigger centres to shop. There is a school in Marcham which takes children up to 11 years of age and they then go to Abingdon to the secondary school. The secondary school is the same as your high school and a bus fetches and carries the children the same as with you. The students of the secondary school have just made for us a most beautiful model of Denman College and its grounds—it is about 6 feet square—and it is complete down to the fountain, the sun dial and the lawn mower. We are, that is to say the Women's Institutes are, holding a Produce Exhibition in London in October as part of our drive to produce more food and we felt it would be interesting for the Women's Institute members who come from all over the country to see a model of the college which we hope

**TWEEDSMUIR CUP
COMPETITION
SCORES FOR JUDGING**

The three silver cups donated by Lady Tweedsmuir for competition by Women's Institute members across Canada will be competed for during 1947-49 Biennial term as follows:

- A. Tweedsmuir History Book: For instructions on compiling these see Fall 1945 Home and Country or write to Loan Library, Women's Institute Branch, Department of Agriculture, Parliament Buildings, Toronto.
- B. Hooked Rug of Typical Canadian Design: To be judged for suitability of design and workmanship:
 - 1. Material—rug to be made of used woollen material.
 - 2. Size—27" x 45"
 - 3. Type—floor rug.
- C. Essay—"Our Women's Institute Takes a Forward Look." To be written or typed on one side of paper only, size of sheet, 8½" x 11". Length of essay to be not more than 1,000 words.

Watch for announcement in Winter Home and Country for deadline date for submitting Ontario entries in this competition.

A committee set up by F.W.I.C. and convened by Miss Anna P. Lewis have submitted the following scores for judging the entries in the Tweedsmuir Cup Competitions.

SCORE FOR JUDGING ESSAY

- 1. Material:
 - Content-Thought, organization 40
 - Style-Sentence and paragraph structure, diction 20
 - 2. Mechanics:
 - General appearance, contest rules re paper, etc., spelling grammar and punctuation 30
 - 3. General Appearance 10
- 100

SCORE FOR JUDGING TWEEDSMUIR BOOK

- 1. General Appearance & Organization 25
 - Binding, paper used, size, neatness, legibility, readability
- 2. General Instruction & Information 5
 - Name of Institute, date of

before long many of them will be able to attend as students.

Thank you again for your very great kindness and one day when you come to England, I hope you will come to see us and I will show you to what good use your good gifts have been put.

inception, date of commencement of compilation, table of contents, foreword by Lady Tweedsmuir, pictures of Lord and Lady Tweedsmuir and Adelaide Hoodless

- 3. Historical Data: 45
 - History of Branch Institute, origin of name of community, Indian information, pioneer settlements and pioneer families, churches, schools, libraries, industries and newspapers, achievements in working, geography, natural resources with significance, pictures, maps, headings, dates, etc.
 - 4. Current Events: 25
 - War records, part played by Institute members during hostilities, current events including local items of historical interest as they occur, pictures, maps, dates, etc.
- 100

SCORE FOR JUDGING HOOKED RUGS

- 1. Design: 40
 - Suitability for use, artistry.
 - 2. Colour: 20
 - Harmony, suitability for use.
 - 3. Workmanship: 40
 - Finish, hooking.
- 100

Note: Any rug which does not conform to regulation as to material, size and type shall be ruled out of competition.

**FARM HOUSING
AS FARM WOMEN WANT IT**

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ground around the house is level, cement walks are still better. A flagstone walk to the front door is attractive where the stones are available. Several groups said that the areas of lawn and flower garden should depend on the help likely to be available to care for them. One suggested the possibility of custom work with a power lawn mower to cut farm lawns.

A few other recommendations not directly related to the questionnaire but definitely related to farm housing were: folding walls of the accordion type to either separate or unify two rooms, a thermopane window in the living room, a dumb waiter, revolving pantry and cupboard shelves, a wood-box built in the wall to be filled from outside, in some hilly sections, water under pressure in the house, provided by natural gravity.