

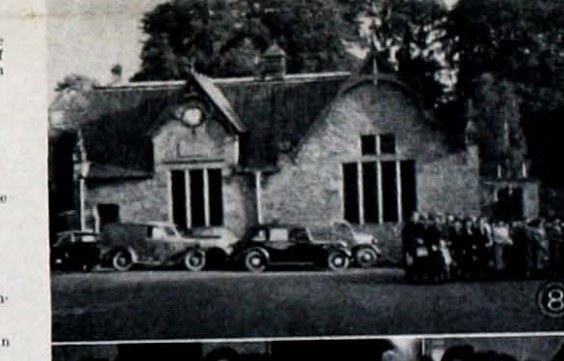
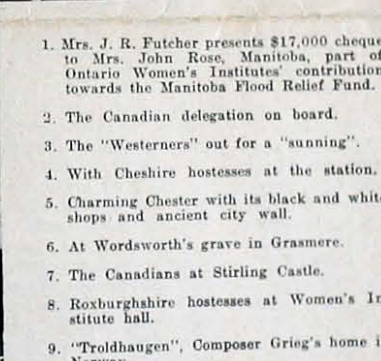
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1. Mrs. J. R. Futcher presents \$17,000 cheque to Mrs. John Rose, Manitoba, part of Ontario Women's Institutes' contribution towards the Manitoba Flood Relief Fund.
2. The Canadian delegation on board.
3. The "Westerners" out for a "sunning".
4. With Cheshire hostesses at the station.
5. Charming Chester with its black and white shops and ancient city wall.
6. At Wordsworth's grave in Grasmere.
7. The Canadians at Stirling Castle.
8. Roxburghshire hostesses at Women's Institute hall.
9. "Troidhaugen", Composer Grieg's home in Norway.
10. Canadians meet Norwegians at home of Canadian Minister to Norway.

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Canadian Women's Institute Members Visit Sister Organizations Abroad

The keen interest and thirst for knowledge shown by our Women's Institute members in the now-historic Canadian Women's Institute good-will tour abroad has prompted the writing of these lines. This memorable tour, aimed to cement friendships and foster good-will and understanding between our country women, to glean knowledge about the culture and customs of the countries visited, and to stimulate a broader, more intelligent interest in world affairs, has aroused throughout our membership a keen interest in our world organization, the ASSOCIATED COUNTRY WOMEN OF THE WORLD (A.C.W.W.), and its unlimited value in furthering these aims. Our women more deeply appreciate the important place rural women can and

must take in world affairs. They realize that intelligent study and worthwhile action are needed on the part of EVERY member. Since returning from overseas we have received a great many requests to tell the story of our tour and show our slides. Because we cannot begin to meet these requests we are writing this resumé which will, we hope, in some small way, help our members catch a glimpse of the scope of our organization and provide a stimulus for further study and constructive action FOR HOME AND COUNTRY. No longer do we work as isolated branch Institutes in our separate rural communities but rather as a united group, THE ASSOCIATED COUNTRY WOMEN

OF THE WORLD, strong in our desire, resolute in our purpose, realistic in our approach to promote better conditions for all people everywhere. A sincere thank you is extended to our Ontario Women's Institute members through its Board of Directors for the faith and confidence placed in us by urgently requesting that we be granted permission from Ontario's Agricultural Minister to take over the arrangements for this tour; to our respected and beloved Minister of Agriculture, Colonel the Hon. T. L. Kennedy, not only for granting this permission, but also for his continued wise counsel, advice and the personal interest he has taken in Women's Institute affairs; to the Feder-

ated Women's Institutes of Canada Board of Directors and its capable leader Mrs. E. E. Morton for providing this cherished opportunity for service; to our Federal Departments of Agriculture and External Affairs for their more than generous assistance; to our sister organizations and Canadian Embassies abroad for the detailed planning in connection with our visit, the overwhelming hospitality provided and the wealth of information gleaned for us; and to all others who so generously lent a hand in the planning and carrying out of this memorable good-will tour.

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and Home Economics Service.

