

Another fact of interest, Miss Sanders revealed, is that the Gallup Poll now shows little difference in men's and women's opinions; they all think as citizens. The trouble is that there are too many women with "no opinion."

The C.A.C. and Resolutions

In a breezy and informative address on "The Canadian Association of Consumers and Its Interest in Resolutions", the C.A.C. National President, Mrs. W. R. Walton, made these recommendations: Study your problem carefully before you make a resolution because "you have no idea how many cockeyed resolutions come to C.A.C. from women's organizations". Never vote for a resolution unless you, as an individual, are prepared to back it up. Departments always look for the data supporting a resolution; be sure to supply it and to have it sound and convincing. When you send a resolution to the government, send it also to the opposition. This can be very effective.

Special Guests

Distinguished visitors at the conference were two missionary nuns from the Dominican Republic, British West Indies, Mother Mary Adele and Mother Mary Alicia, social welfare workers who have been studying the co-operative movement in Nova Scotia and educational and welfare work in Ontario. Mother Mary Alicia told the conference of their work with the women of Dominica and of how they had obtained literature from Miss Lewis and planned their Women's League after the pattern of the Women's Institutes.

Their object in organizing the Dominican women is to build a sound, happy family life and to improve moral conditions on their island. They are making the Women's League a school, a service and a representative women's organization. They have monthly meetings and study clubs on home management and moral problems, with classes in cooking, sewing and needlework taught by local leaders. They have organized a baby clinic and have bought a sewing machine to loan to women who need it. Their next project is to set up a library. (It was suggested by Mrs. Fitcher that the Women's Institute might help to stock the library after consultation as to the sort of books needed.) The next project, Mother Mary Alicia said, is to establish a hostel for girls who come in from the country to work at domestic service. They already have a youth recreation centre. And since they have no government security or unemployment relief, they are organizing credit unions and co-operative insurance, in which fields they learned a great deal from the co-operative movement in Nova Scotia.

A.C.W.W. Conference Plans

Mrs. Hugh Summers, President of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada, and Chairman of the A.C.W.W. Joint Planning Committee, sketched the history of A.C.W.W. from its inauguration in 1933 up to the present.

Mrs. Summers said that although the organization is young in years it is great in stature, having consultative status in the fields of food, health and education in the United Nations. At the conference to be held in Toronto in August, Mrs. Summers said, in addition to the one thousand official delegates, corresponding members and accredited observers from twenty-five countries, there will be observers from countries not yet in the organization, such as Japan, Egypt and Palestine.

The conference sessions will be open only to official delegates and visitors, but on Canada Day a pageant will be staged in Maple Leaf Gardens when a crowd of 12,000 can be accommodated. Each Ontario Institute will be allotted the number of members who may attend. It is hoped that the Prime Minister of Canada will speak and there will be an address by Mrs. Raymond Sayre, President of the A.C.W.W., and greetings from delegates from the countries represented at the conference. Because Maple Leaf Gardens will not accommodate all the Ontario Institute women who want to see the pageant it will be repeated the next day, Saturday, August 22.

Following the Conference the visitors will have an opportunity to take one of several tours through Ontario: A western tour for those who want to go to the West coast, a "Capital Tour" to Ottawa by way of Kingston with a day in Ottawa, a tour from Toronto to Essex through farmlands and a Northern Ontario tour with visits to some of the mines. Visitors who do not wish to go on a tour will have the alternative of being entertained in Ontario country homes for a few days.

Tweedsmuir Awards

At the last evening session of the conference, Mrs. Purcell presented the Tweedsmuir history and quilt awards. The Tweedsmuir history awards went to Glen Morris, Richview, and Blue Lake and Auburn with honorable mention to Haystack Bay, Rockton, Joyceville and New England. Since Glen Morris and Richview have won this award for two years in succession the Board decided that they should be barred from receiving the award for one term.

The quilt awards were won by Villa Nova and South Tarentorus with honorable mention to Millbank, Agincourt and Ripley.

Winners in the essay competition were announced in a previous issue: Mrs. T. B. Cowan, Mrs. Marshall Bethune and Mrs. B. Cutler. The first two of these have been entered in the A.C.W.W. competition, the results of which will be announced at the conference in August.

A Tribute to Col. Kennedy

A special feature of the conference was a tribute to Col. Kennedy, recently retired Minister of Agriculture for Ontario. Mrs. Purcell spoke with warm appreciation of Col. Kennedy's help and friendliness to the Women's Institutes, and Mrs. J. R. Fitcher, immediate Past President and Mrs. J. H. McCulloch, Secretary-Treasurer, presented Col. and Mrs.