



FEDERATED WOMEN'S INSTITUTES OF ONTARIO PROVINCIAL BOARD — 1953-1954

Kneeling in front: (left to right) Mrs. Chas. Agnew, R.R. 2, Weston; Miss Marion Conklin, R.R. 7, Belleville; Mrs. R. Alexander, Pinkerton; Mrs. Norman Keating, Wingham. Front row: Mrs. Roy Graham, South Mountain; Mrs. Sam Wilson, R.R. 1, Mono Road; Mrs. John H. McCulloch, R.R. 2, Brampton, retiring secretary-treasurer and new convener of Home Economics and Health; Mrs. R. G. Purcell, 345 East Mary St., Fort William, retiring president and new convener of Resolutions; Mr. C. D. Graham, Deputy Minister of Agriculture; Miss Anna P. Lewis, Director, Women's Institute Branch and Home Economics Service; Mrs. J. R. Futcher, R.R. 1, St. Thomas, retiring convener of Resolutions; Mrs. Leslie Davis, Eganville, regional executive director; Mrs. H. E. Fraser, Glencairn, regional executive director.

Second row: Mrs. J. S. Thompson, R.R. 2, Beamsville, convener of Agriculture and Canadian Industries; Mrs. S. Aikins, R.R. 2, Creemore, convener of Historical Research; Mrs. Gordon Ofield, R.R. 2, Dundas; Mrs. J.

Haggerty, Napanee; Mrs. Arthur Gillett, Tillonsburg, regional vice-president; Mrs. P. McPhedran, Petrolia; Mrs. E. Irwin, R.R. 2, Campbellford, regional vice-president; Mrs. R. D. Hendry, 11 East St., Galt; Mrs. Brock Suddaby, R.R. 2, Desbarats, regional vice-president; Mrs. W. H. Burns, R.R. 1, Beaverton; Mrs. D. S. MacNaughton, R.R. 1, Bluevale, regional executive director; Mrs. R. C. Paisley, R.R. 6, Dunnville; Mrs. E. E. Taws, R.R. 1, Cainsville; Mrs. L. Gibson, Kemptville.

Back row: Miss Ina Hodgins, Carp, convener of Community Activities and Public Relations; Mrs. Fred Ritchie, Shallow Lake; Mrs. J. H. McDonald, New Liskeard; Mrs. D. J. Goddard, 617 Van Norman St., Port Arthur, regional executive director; Mrs. Albert Nevin, Appin, regional executive director; Mrs. H. Williams, Garson; Mrs. J. Cooper, 209 North Marks St., Fort William, convener of Citizenship and Education; Mrs. G. F. Cearns, Scotia; Mrs. M. Flamand, Rainy River; Mrs. Keith Edwards, R.R. 6, Chatham; Mrs. J. C. Cook, alternate.

leadership to the branches? What can you do to develop a greater interest in your subdivision?"

The Director's Report

Miss Anna P. Lewis brought greetings from the Women's Institute Branch and Home Economics Service. She reported that seven new branches had been organized in the past year: Balmoral in West Kent, Crown in West Simcoe, Paisley Junior in Bruce, Innerkip in Oxford, Little's Hill Coronation in South Simcoe, Kipling in Nipissing, Park Dale in Hastings. There are now 1503 Women's Institutes in Ontario with a membership of 45,457. Miss Lewis said that all through our Board sessions "Broader Horizons" have been stressed. We have been stimulated and inspired this summer through

our associations with our world organization, the A.C.W.W. A real challenge is ours and a great responsibility rests on the shoulders of our board members. "You have been chosen as board members because of your leadership qualities," Miss Lewis said, and because of the confidence and faith placed in you by your members back home. The women depend on you. Somehow we must measure up to the faith and trust placed in us. Do you ever feel inadequate for the task? We all do at times—but isn't it wonderful to know we have the ability to grow in our work. We grow even through our mistakes because we know better next time. We grow by taking on tasks which we may think at first are beyond our powers. I do not believe there is a person in this room who does not feel she is a better person be-