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culture as a way of life. I believe that farmers — men and women working with nature — apart from actual labour in agriculture and its relations to Canadian Industries, have a great privilege and a great responsibility in this hurried world of today, this world where people are rushing ever faster toward — toward what? Theirs is and must be the example to the world of the quieter way of life, of the concept of the relation of man and his stewardship to his Creator."

Historical Research and Current Events, by Mrs. Sanford Aikins.

Mrs. Aikins reported that area conveners are to be congratulated for the efforts they make to have their reports compiled. 815 Tweedsmuir histories were reported in Ontario. Four districts, South Huron, North Middlesex, South Oxford and Perth Centre, have a Tweedsmuir history in every Branch.

Fiftieth anniversaries were celebrated by South Oxford and North Middlesex districts and Springford, Tillsonburg, Appin, Cold-

stream, Staffa, Mount Elgin, Kintore, Binbrook, Sanford, South Lobo, Burgessville, Dungannon, Puslinch, Riverside, Hampstead, Wellesley, Beachburg and Holstein branches.

The first volume of the Provincial Tweedsmuir History Book has been completed. It contains photos and the history of Institute work for the first fifty years. Miss Edith Collins assisted the Provincial Convener with this project.

Many bus tours were taken by the branches to visit historical sites. In closing the Convener quoted this poem:

"Oh, that we might grow in virtue, kindness and grace,
As time draws its pencilled lines about the ageing face,
Growing happier in the mellow light of sunset gold,
Growing sweeter, growing wiser, as we're growing old."

Public Relations and Community Activities, by Miss Ina Hodgins.

Miss Hodgins said it was apparent that the Institutes in Ontario are covering a wide