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WHERE THE MIND IS WITHOUT FEAR . . .

By Rabindranath Tagore

Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high;
Where knowledge is free;
Where the world has not been broken up into fragments of narrow domestic walls;
Where words come out from the depths of truth;
Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection;
Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way into the dreary desert sand of dead habit;
Where the mind is led forward by Thee into ever-widening thought and action—
Into that heaven of freedom, my Father, let my country awake.

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Junior Farmers' Association of Ontario

Miss Josephine Bird of Cayuga said the Junior Farmers' Association has attained its tenth birthday. An anniversary celebration and special church service marked this occasion in June at the O.A.C. Guelph. The affiliation membership is now 8,200, in 300 local and country clubs. The program includes field days, leadership training camps, conferences, exchange visits with other countries, public speaking, debating, quartette and trio competitions, and many other activities.

Four Junior Farmers attended the Royal Youth U.S.A. Conference in West Virginia, one member attended the American Institute of Co-operation Conference at Cornell University. Carl Boynton, Provincial President, was named by Junior Farmers Association as one of two delegates from Canada to attend the World Assembly of Youth in Singapore. This represented a large undertaking for the Association and it was commended for its participation in this worth-while assembly.

The study of conservation is taking an important place in Junior Farmers' programs this year. In this connection a Soil Conservation and Improved Land Use Tour of 3 days' duration was arranged by the Department of Agriculture and one boy from each county had the opportunity to participate in this trip and visit farms where different methods of soil building were observed.

Four members of the Scottish Association of Young Farmers' Clubs and four English young farmers toured Ontario. Four Junior Farmers from Lapeer County, Michigan, were at the Spring Conference and four Junior Farmers from Ontario under the sponsorship of the Ontario Department of Agriculture spent six weeks visiting farms in Great Britain.

Provincial Life Members Badge

Mrs. Keith Edwards reported on the proposed Provincial Life Member's Badge and a decision was made for the design of these badges. It was also decided to have a Provincial President's Badge and the suggestion submitted by the committee of the design

of the proposed Provincial President's Badge was accepted.

International Ploughing Match

Mrs. R. D. Hendry gave a report of the F.W.I.O. Tent at the Ploughing Match at Breslau. In spite of rain, more rain and mud, the tent was open and the North Waterloo ladies served tea each afternoon until Hurricane Hazel struck. Mrs. Hendry and Mrs. MacNaughton accompanied by the latter's son went back the next morning, salvaging the equipment by strenuous efforts.

Conservation Council of Ontario

Mrs. J. C. Thompson reports that much study, research and gathering of facts and personnel has gone on under the Niagara Region Land Use Co-ordinating Committee. It is a tremendous task, this saving of the previous horticultural acres in the Niagara Peninsula, and a very difficult one. What seems a feasible working program from the viewpoint of conservation-minded people often meets with little sympathy when owners of land in question are approached with ideas of controls on the acres they own.

A resolution was passed asking the Provincial Government to undertake and publish a regional survey of the Niagara Peninsula so that appropriate units of Government may more effectively conserve natural resources of the Peninsula, locate new services, facilities and utilities, grade industrial and urban development, protect rural taxpayers and promote the economic development of the Peninsula.

The Conservation Council passed the following recommendation, directed to the F.W.I.O. Board, "The Conservation Council of Ontario proposes to the F.W.I.O. that arrangements be made for talks and films on conservation as occasional features at meetings of their Association."

The Council were assured by Mrs. MacPhatter of the long standing and active interest of the F.W.I.O. in this cause and promised continued support.

Ontario Association for Curriculum Development

Mrs. Peter McPhedran reported that this Association has held four conferences, but the last one was the first to which the F.W.I.O. were invited. The theme of the Conference was, "Improving the Education of Ontario's Youth." The aim of Curriculum Development is to provide a forum for the discussion of curricular questions where all points of view—teachers', parents, and administrators', may get an informal hearing. As yet the Association has no official creed, no constitution and does not endorse any particular brand of education. The membership represents all sections of the province and all provincial partners in education. There are a number of sponsors—The Ontario Educational Association, Home and School Association, Teachers' Training Colleges, Civil Service Inspectors, Ontario Trustees' Council, Department of Education, Urban Inspectors' Association,