

School Business Administrators' Association, Universities of Ontario and for the first time the F.W.I.O.

An address by D. Stephen Cory, Director of Horace Mann-Lincoln Institute of Experimentation, Chicago, described a plan which will take some of the control of education away from experts and put it into the hands of parents, teachers and pupils. This plan is called the Co-operative Curriculum Development.

Discussion groups dealt with The Evaluation of pupil's progress and promotion; School Community Relations; Curriculum Improvements in the Primary, Junior and Intermediate Divisions, Providing for pupils capable of high academic achievement, Providing for the slow learner; Extra curricular activities, School Community relations and use of Community resources in teaching; The Camp School; Applying our Knowledge of human relations and group behaviour to teaching procedures, Developing the sense of Responsibility.

Mrs. McPhedran closed her report with "Education is being termed 'big business' today in Ontario and undoubtedly it is; but it is also a very great deal more than just big business to the mothers in the province, that is to us, who stand for Home and Country. It means moulding our children to be the citizens of tomorrow."

Plans for a National Convention

Mrs. George Ridley read the brief which had been prepared by the F.W.I.O. committee to be presented to the Board of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada in regard to its endeavor to establish a National Convention. This brief was the result of a concentrated effort on the part of the committee which was set up to consider the questionnaire sent out by the F.W.I.C. The F.W.I.O. Board unanimously agreed that the F.W.I.C. should attempt to hold a National Convention and the Board commended the F.W.I.C. on this forward step.

Mrs. MacPhatter, President F.W.I.O., extreme right presents Ontario Women's Institute Awards to five students in the first year of the Degree Course at Macdonald Institute. From left to right the girls are: Sheryl M. Crozier, Cobden; M. Beth Taylor, R.R. #3, Exeter; Vivian A. M. Hylands, Cobalt; Margaret U. Fair, R.R. #5, Guelph; M. Pauline Acres, R.R. #1, Britannia Bay.



Project for 1955

It was decided that in 1955 the F.W.I.O will raise money to equip women's work centres in four villages in Ceylon, under a plan initiated by UNESCO. The cost of each individual centre will be \$1,310, a total of \$5,240 for the project. Equipment will include sewing machines, cooking ranges and canning equipment for teaching Ceylonese women better housekeeping methods. Women's Institute in Ceylon will supervise the functioning of these centres, thereby forging a link between the two countries.

Representatives to Other Organizations

The Board made the following appointments of representatives from F.W.I.O to other organizations: Rural Leadership Forum Council — Mrs. D. S. MacNaughton, Navy League of Canada—Mrs. Gordon MacPhatter, Royal Agricultural Fair—Mrs. Charles Agnew, Children's Film Library—Mrs. R. A. Birrell, Ontario Federation of Agriculture—Mrs. R. C. Paisley, Conservation Council of Ontario—Mrs. Stewart McDonald and Mrs. J. C. Thompson, Radio Program Evaluation Council—Mrs. D. S. MacNaughton, Canadian Cancer Society and Ontario Society for Crippled Children—Mrs. J. H. McCulloch, Ontario Curriculum Development—Mrs. Peter McPhedran, Community Welfare Council of Ontario—Mrs. G. Gordon Maynard.

Committees Appointed

A committee was appointed to study auxiliary class work — Mrs. W. A. Davidson, Mrs. Douglas Hart and Mrs. Norman Keating.

To plan W.I. holidays and conferences—Mrs. Loren Guild, Mrs. G. MacPhatter, Miss Lewis and Mrs. G. Maynard.

F.W.I.O. Tent at International Ploughing Match — Mrs. Keith Edwards, Mrs. P. McPhedran, Miss Lewis and Mrs. G. G. Maynard.

F.W.I.O. Booth at Royal Winter Fair — Mrs. C. Agnew, Mrs. J. H. McCulloch, Miss Lewis and Mrs. G. Burkett.