

corn. These should be preserved by freezing.

Mr. Franklin said, "Most women have not yet grasped the value of the freezer; and the more food you preserve in a freezer, the more economical it is." In addition to the usual freezing of summer vegetables, fruit and meats, Mr. Franklin suggested desserts, rolls and dishes used for special occasions such as chicken a la king. "If you want good frozen foods," Mr. Franklin advised, "use only quality material, follow directions carefully and work fast. Try to have vegetables in the freezer within three hours after they are brought from the garden."

Mr. Franklin's talk was illustrated with a color film, and each girl was given a copy of the bulletin "Frozen Foods."

The Banquet

Dr. C. D. Graham, Ontario Deputy Minister of Agriculture, was guest speaker at the banquet. He reminded the girls that each one came to the conference as an honor girl representing her community and he said the Department of Agriculture was honored to have such girls as guests. In their conference they had been considering their place in the home, the family and as citizens. "The family is the basic social unit of our democracy," said Dr. Graham. "No nation can extend beyond the level of its families. The family is the pulse of the nation."

Considering the responsibilities of citizenship, and thinking of the things that go to make up the life of our great Dominion, Dr. Graham said we must keep it in mind that the province of Ontario has one-third of the coun-

try's population. In the ten years between 1941 and 1951 the population of Ontario increased by 21.4 per cent and it has increased by 2.5 per cent every year since. The increase is largely in urban communities so that fewer people in the rural communities must accept a larger responsibility. This means more responsibility in agriculture for each generation. "In your club work you have the tools to help you make time and effort more productive," Dr. Graham said. "And your clubs and Junior Farmer organizations not only give you added responsibilities; they also provide life satisfactions."

Dr. Graham commended Miss Eadie and her staff on the way they stick to high standards. He also referred to the strength and importance of club work because it is carried on right in the home and on the farm. Especially he stressed the importance of the home. "Where you see a fine young woman or a fine young man, you almost invariably find a fine home back of them," he said. And he added that where a young man or young woman realizes the proper place of the home and the community you have the fundamentals of good citizenship.

Quoting from Abraham Lincoln's address at Gettysburg, Dr. Graham said: "The world will little note what we say here. It is rather for us to be dedicated to the task before us." Beverly Blake of Carleton County thanked Dr. Graham, and Shirley Hartwick of Middlesex County thanked the College for its hospitality and all that the staff had done to help with the conference. In the absence of the President, Dr. Branion replied to this. Dr. Branion paid a tribute to the members of



Choral singing, directed by Mr. Ralph Kidd, of the College, assisted by Mrs. Kidd, was a popular feature of the conference. Here Dr. Kidd conducts a chorus at the banquet.

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