

co-operation. The secretary of **Nephton** writes: "Do we need more friendliness among members and a desire to invite other ladies to join the Institute? I myself always wanted to belong to the Institute but was never asked to attend a meeting till we moved out here."

Many Institutes are trying to have each member bring a new member; others are sending personal invitations to the non-members in the community. **Kendal's** plans are to keep inviting prospective members and to provide transportation, along with an interesting programme. **Dublin** in Halton, says: "We invite our neighbors to our meetings, social evenings and bus trips." **Mount Forest** recommends making a greater effort to contact newcomers to town, and asking them to attend meetings whether they intend to join or not. **Walkerton** says: "We invite potential members and call for them and hope for the best. We have three telephone committees who call all members if there is anything important coming up." **Allenford** has divided the members into five groups and has planned a membership drive through these groups. **Sunbury** will sponsor a drive for new members from among the younger married women of the community.

There is evident a special desire to interest young mothers. **Monkton** says: "Ask mothers of young children to visit the Institute and make them welcome." (We presume this means to invite the women to bring the children with them.—Ed.) **Adelaide Hoodless** branch suggests getting mothers of young



Isabel Campbell receiving the Elgin County Women's Institute Centennial Scholarship from Mrs. R. H. McNeil, District President of East Elgin Women's Institutes.

Mary Whyte, winner of the Huron County Women's Institute scholarship, 1956. Mary has completed eight Homemaking Club projects, has taken the Macdonald Institute Diploma Course and is now attending Teachers' College.



children to attend by having a different member appointed at each meeting to look after the children. **Rainham Centre** also recommends inviting young mothers and finding a way to entertain the children. **Mount View** says to encourage the mothers to come by having toys for the children and a separate room for them to play in. Several branches including **Grand Bend, Hampton, Rosemount, Selkirk** are hoping to attract more young mothers by having meetings in the evening. **Reid's Corners** says: "To encourage mothers of small children to join the Institute, have the meetings commence on time, not later than two o'clock and have them close not later than four-thirty."

MacLennan's plan to gain new members is to "get better acquainted with our New Canadian neighbors." **Crinan** says: "Invite outsiders to come to meetings and give talks or demonstrations or do something else in which they have specialized." **Bayview** reports: "The extension service helped us to gain new members."

Parkdale, in East Hastings, is in the unique position of having women ready to join the Institute "as soon as there is space for them." This is a suburban group. They say "We feel that we have gained much in information, friendship and fun by having an Institute."

MRS. BERRY IN NORTH GREY

A GREAT number of North Grey women had an opportunity to meet Mrs. Berry, A.C.W.W. President, when she visited Ontario. Arriving in North Grey Mrs. Berry was taken to Mrs. Gordon MacPhatter's home where a reception was held in the evening. The next day there was a luncheon for branch, district and county women, held in a church in Owen Sound and attended by over two hundred women. Mrs. Berry spoke at the luncheon and afterwards at a meeting in the church auditorium, with twelve hundred women in attendance. In the late afternoon with Miss McKercher, Mrs. MacPhatter and other guests Mrs. Berry went on to a dinner and evening meeting at Shelburne in Dufferin county.