

Active in making arrangements for the Officers' Conference and Sixtieth Anniversary celebration were, left to right: Mrs. E. V. Thompson, Conference Secretary, Mrs. Gordon Maynard, Secretary-Treasurer FWIO, Mrs. Jas. Haggerty, President FWIO, Miss Helen McKercher, Director Home Economics Service, Extension Branch, Ontario Dept. of Agriculture.



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scholastic improvement noted in the cases of a considerable number of children as a direct consequence of the attention they have received under the supervision of the Remedial Teacher, Mr. Reynolds.

"The trustees concerned have been much impressed and very encouraging comments have been received from the parents of several of the children concerned who were quite generally frustrated in their school situation before the service was started. The five township school boards concerned, when they met at their annual Inspectorate Conference in March, asked that we endeavour to have the work featured over C.K.N.X.-T.V. and they expressed their confidence that the service was worthwhile by asking that Mr. Reynolds remain with them and continue the service he has so carefully inaugurated. He has signed his contract for another year.

"We were able to arrange to have CKNX-T.V., Wingham, feature Mr. Reynolds' work on Almanac at 9.00 p.m. on April 26th."

In conclusion may I suggest that we strive to continually keep this subject before our Branch members, first, by asking them to note any newspaper or magazine articles on special education, and secondly, as a timely programme suggestion for a Jubilee year meeting, a debate or panel on the subject, "Are we less educated than we were sixty years ago?"

EXTENSION SERVICE

by Mr. T. R. Hilliard

Mr. T. R. Hilliard, Director of the Extension Branch, Ontario Department of Agriculture, discussed topics of interest to Women's Institute members. Mr. Hilliard stated that the change made last year from the Women's Institute Branch and Home Economics Service to the Home Economics Service, Extension Branch, was an administrative one and in no way affected the services available to the Women's Institutes. He stated that services available through the Extension Branch would

be offered through highly trained personnel and the methods of the department would be assessed from time to time in order to obtain the greatest efficiency.

Ever changing conditions make it necessary to change methods of service from time to time, said Mr. Hilliard. It is important that workers working with farm families should tell the same story, and co-ordination of services is being done for that purpose.

The speaker discussed the preparation of a budget, stating that time spent on ways and means of distribution of monies was well spent. It helps to plan for one year and greatly helps in being able to say "Yes" or "No" to a problem arising during the year.

The Women's Institute represents the largest cross section of the rural people, he said, and was considered the strongest farm organization in Ontario. He was impressed with the number of projects undertaken by the Women's Institute at various levels.

PLANS FOR CEYLON DELEGATION

Because the delegates to the Ceylon Conference were elected more than a year ago and because the Conference was cancelled on account of the European situation, it was necessary to re-elect new delegates. The list includes Mrs. Gordon MacPhatter, Mrs. G. Gordon Maynard, Mrs. George Wilson, Mrs. Thomas LeMay and Mrs. L. Gibson. Mrs. Linden Clark was named as alternate. The itinerary is as follows: The party will leave Malton at 11.10 a.m. Friday, June 14th for Vancouver, will stay there until Sunday morning and will fly to San Francisco and stay overnight, then go on to Honolulu where they will spend three days, then on to Nandi in the Fiji Islands. They will spend a short time there. They will then fly to Auckland for three days, then on to Sydney for another three days, then to Singapore. From Singapore they go to their destination of Colombo, Ceylon, for ten days to attend the A.C.W.W. Confer-