

and Canadian Industries, Home Economics and Health, Citizenship and Education, Historical Research and Current Events. (F.W.I.C. had previously asked Ontario to change the F.W.I.O. standing committees to conform with the F.W.I.C. standing committees which are: Agriculture, Home Economics and Social Welfare, Citizenship, Cultural Activities, UN and Exchange Programmes.) This resolution was tabled for further study by the Board.

Resolutions asking for more thorough measures in conservation and increased pensions for the blind were withdrawn because they have already been carried out. A resolution asking for an Advisory Board on Immigration and one asking that visitors or immigrants refused admission to Canada be given reasons for their rejection and an opportunity to overcome them, were tabled until the next biennial meeting.

The Board, dealing with a resolution from British Columbia concerning conventions decided that, to keep expenses to a minimum,

future conventions be held in universities if possible and that the place of the convention alternate among provinces.

Mrs. Roylance read the resolution on Atomic Power passed at the A.C.W.W. Conference in July — a resolution that might well be read in every branch Institute in the Dominion.

“This conference recognizing that the world is now beyond the threshold of a new era — the Atomic Age — expresses the hope that thermonuclear weapons for destructive purposes may be forever held in check, and urges the peoples of the world, through their governments, to concentrate their research, their resources, their talents and treasure, on the development and peaceful use of atomic and thermonuclear energy for the universal good of mankind, and urges governments to recognize the invisible danger to mankind when radioactivity is released during research into the use of atomic and thermonuclear energy, even for peaceful purposes.”

Our National President

By A Nova Scotian

A WORD portrait of the lady who has been chosen to the high office of President of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada is not easy to paint; not because of insufficiency of excellent material, but because of the inadequacy of words to do her justice.

The facts and figures of her life do not tell half the story. To read that Jennie Elizabeth Magee was born on Church Street, Kings County, Nova Scotia, leaves out the interesting fact that she lives in the same house today. To say that her ancestors back farther than she can remember were Nova Scotians, leaves out the fact that she is the fifth generation Magee to live on that soil after the first one of that name came to Nova Scotia from Magee Island off the coast of Ireland. Her mother, a pioneer worker in Women's Institutes, was of a Scottish Covenanter family who were United Empire Loyalists.

Her early education, Grades One to Eight, was obtained in a one-room school at Town Plot, where she now teaches, a building easily seen from the east windows of her home. Her High School and University education were obtained in the nearby town of Wolfville, and from the front lawn of her home you see, across the Cornwallis River, the white front and tower of the Administration Building of Acadia University, Wolfville.

Teaching was Mrs. Rand's first career, but not entirely satisfied with it, she added a Business Course at the Maritime Business College, and worked for a year in Halifax in the office of the Department of Education there. Her first move combined her talents as a teacher and a

business woman, when she taught in the Business Department of Horton Academy of Acadia University for five successive years. Six years ago, when the teacher shortage became acute, she returned to teaching in the school she first attended.

Mrs. Rand was married in 1941. It was a war marriage, not to a uniformed newcomer, but to the neighbor's son, her childhood sweetheart, Keith Rand, a graduate of the Nova Scotia Agricultural College, then serving in the Canadian Army at Aldershot, N.S. His Welsh ancestors, shipbuilders and farmers, may have known the Magee forebears in other times and other places. In this happy home are two bonny children, Jonathan, twelve and Rachel, ten; both members of 4-H Clubs.

A visit to the Rand home is a delightful experience. A large, old-fashioned farmhouse in the centre of a big farm with wide lawns and meadows and in the distance the gleaming blue of Minas Basin with Blomidon keeping watch over it. Potatoes, apples, cherries and plums are everywhere in season. Often you can see the cattle being rounded up by both children on their saddle horses with two Border Collies at their heels.

Entering the house one pauses always at the door to the dining room to admire the table decoration, which this wife and mother, school teacher, Church and Institute worker, has always time to arrange artistically, fitting the occasion. In the living rooms are other evidences of her artistic abilities combined