

equipped with exhaust pipes that will carry fumes above the top level of passenger cars.

Asking that parents automatically receive a child's birth certificate when birth is registered in acknowledgment of the registration.

Asking that the Provincial Government consider favourably the placing of a University somewhere in the Welland County area, where there are now enrolled 8,800 pupils in high school, and where there will be a greater enrollment during the next few years.

Requesting that the Provincial Government uphold and strengthen the Lord's Day Act.

Asking that the base exemption for income tax be raised from \$1,000 per person to \$1,500 per person due to the great increase in the cost of living.

Asking for luminous signs to be placed on approaches to railway crossings designating the angle of the track in relation to the road.

The F.W.I.O. agreed to go on record as being opposed to the sale of alcoholic beverages in grocery stores; and to support the Canadian Association of Consumers in their efforts to prevent the sale of trading stamps in stores; and in their request to clothing manufacturers to provide more substantial seams and better thread and elastic and to replace paper linings in belts with more substantial material.

A Resolution was passed that returns from Income Tax sent in by any farmer, individual or business man with a net income of \$10,000 or less and to which no action has been taken by the Income Tax Department over a three year period, become final and complete and that no further action can be taken.

Because industry has an unwritten regulation that may deprive women of employment, and therefore of income at the age of 60, a Resolution requested that every consideration be given to providing security benefits to all women in industry, in office and in the home at the age of 60; and that copies of this Reso-

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### MY CITY FRIEND

By Grace Noll Crowell

My city friend was openly pitying me,  
She said: "You are so far away from things,  
Aren't you lonely with nothing to hear and see . . .?"  
And I, who can daily catch the sweep of wings  
High in the sky, the exquisite running trills  
Of joy-mad larks, the sunset's glorious glow,  
The endless changes of light and shade on the hills  
With nothing to shut them from me, answered, "No."

"I would be," she said, and she went back home  
Complacently to her house on a city street,  
Out of sight of the good earth's furrowed loam,  
Or a glittering stream—or a field of waving wheat—  
And I ran out in the wind and the sweet wild weather,  
Joyous and glad that we were again together.

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### A HEALTHY PRAYER (Prayer On a Wall in Chester Cathedral)

Give me a good digestion Lord  
And also something to digest.  
Give me a healthy body, Lord  
And sense to keep it at its best;  
Give me a healthy mind, O Lord,  
To keep the pure and good in sight,  
Which, seeing sin, is not appalled,  
But finds a way to set it right.  
Give me a mind that is not bored,  
That does not whimper, whine or sigh;  
Don't let me worry overmuch  
About that fussy thing called "I".  
Give me a sense of humor, Lord,  
Give the grace to see a joke,  
To get some happiness from life  
And pass it on to other folk.

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lution be sent to the Department of National Health and Welfare, to the Minister of Finance, and the Honourable Leslie Frost, Premier of Ontario.

The following Resolution was passed and referred to the Hand Book Committee; that only members who hold 25 years or more of active membership in Women's Institutes shall be eligible for life memberships and that no Institute branch shall be permitted to recommend, designate and approve more than two members annually for life membership status; and that the fee set shall revert to \$5.00 and that the membership shall be transferable by payment of \$2.50 in the same manner as previous to May 1st, 1946.

As the result of a request from the Canadian Federation of University Women, the F.W.I.O. will study the problem of the Ontario Succession Duty Act affecting widows, from the rural woman's point of view.

Canada is supposed to have the highest living standard in the world, yet we rate only thirteenth in our fight against infant mortality, with a death rate of 32.1 per thousand live births. We are charged with failing in our obligations as mothers and mothers-to-be. We are called careless, self-indulgent and wilfully ignorant, by people deeply concerned with our infant mortality, people who are not making charges idly. Our own organization was founded on the heartbreak of a mother who blamed herself for the loss of her child, and for sixty years we have fought for the betterment of our children and our homes, but we have not done enough. There must be a way we can do more. The chain that will keep our infant mortality within acceptable bounds must be forged by medical and hospital services, community action and the co-operation of the individual Canadian woman. The Women's Institute could become a very strong link in that chain. A Resolution asks that the F.W.I.O.