

pointed accredited visitors to the conference. Miss McKercher will go as a representative of the Ontario Department of Agriculture.

### Officers for 1959

President, Mrs. James Haggerty; Honorary Presidents, Mrs. Gordon MacPhatter and Miss Helen McKercher; Regional Vice-Presidents, Mrs. H. Dunn, Mrs. W. Green, Mrs. Fred Bonnett; Regional Executive Directors, Mrs. Frank Rodger, Mrs. A. Farran, Mrs. Earl Bagnall, Mrs. Clifford Coulter and Mrs. Wm. Ballentine. Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. G. Gordon Maynard; Conference and Holiday Secretary, Mrs. E. V. Thompson. Conveners of Standing Committees: Agriculture and Canadian Industries, Mrs. Orland Richards; Citizenship and Education, Mrs. Douglas Hart; Historical Research, Mrs. Bernard Brooks; Resolutions, Mrs. Gordon MacPhatter; Public Relations Representative, Mrs. P. Y. McCandless; F.W.I.C. Representative, Mrs. R. J. Penney.

It has come to the attention of the Board that many conveners of standing committees do not receive copies or outlines on work to be carried out during the year. These reports and outlines are sent to secretaries with other reading matter to save postage. These should be passed on to conveners as soon as possible as only by studying these reports and outlines are they able to carry out their work in the branches successfully.

### Miscellaneous Reports

Mrs. E. Irwin reported for the Canadian Association of Consumers and the Canadian Cancer Society; The Ontario Historical Society, Mrs. Bernard Brooks; Ontario Federation of Agriculture, Mrs. J. P. Corson; Conservation Council of Ontario, Mrs. Orland Richards; Rural Leadership Forum, Mrs. G. Burkitt; Ontario Welfare Society, Mrs. A. Farran; Canadian estimates of selected entertainment films, Miss Ethel Chapman; Canadian Association for Adult Education, Mrs. R. N. Ross; A.C.W.W., Mrs. G. Gordon Maynard; Safety Workshop and Farm Safety Meeting, Mrs. P. Y. McCandless.

Mrs. James Haggerty gave a resume of her duties with the F.W.I.C. She also gave a report of the Salada-Shirriff-Horsey Co. project. She along with many members attended the tea given by the Company at which the provincial prize winners were announced and presented with their prizes. The first prize was awarded to West End Women's Institute, Guelph; second prize to West Fort William Women's Institute; third prize to Elders Mills Women's Institute. Honorable mention went to the Women's Institutes of Pittsburg; Zenda; Besboro; Brook's; Dublin; South Torrontorus; Temperanceville; Appin; Fordwich and Shedden. After some discussion it was agreed that the F.W.I.O. would not enter the Salada-Shirriff-Horsey Co. competition next year.

Mrs. R. C. Walker's report on the Tweedsmuir Histories was read by Mrs. Maynard. Mrs. Walker was unable to attend as she was conducting Tweedsmuir History Workshops through the Province. 106 applications have been received for the workshops and after these are completed there will be no more for some time.

Mrs. Charles Agnew reported she had been elected as member of the Board of the Royal Winter Fair, also a member of the floral committee, the committee of the Exhibitors' Reception and the committee for the afternoon tea served on the Sunday during the show. Mrs. Agnew also represented the F.W.I.O. at the Reception of Exhibitors given by the Lieut.-Governor of Ontario and Mrs. Keiller MacKay.

Mrs. McArthur reporting on the tent at the International Ploughing Match said it was quite successful and the tent served a great need. The refreshments were much appreciated by mothers of children attending the Match. The 1959 International Ploughing Match will be held in Wentworth County and Mrs. W. Green will be the convener for the Women's Institute tent and will be assisted by Mrs. P. Y. McCandless and the district presidents in the immediate area of the Match.

Reporting the Holidays and Conference, Mrs. E. V. Thompson, Conference and Holiday Secretary, stated all were very successful this year. She thanked Miss McKercher and her staff for their co-operation and the women in Guelph who helped to arrange billets for the conference. 636 members attended.

Mrs. Thompson asked that delegates who arrange to attend the conference and have sent their fee and then find that for some reason they are unable to attend, should advise their branch secretary before the end of the conference so that the pooling fee may be returned to the branch. Attendance at the Holidays was an all-time high and was very rewarding. Mrs. Thompson was re-elected as Conference and Holiday Secretary and her committee includes Mrs. James Haggerty, Mrs. G. Gordon Maynard, Mrs. P. Y. McCandless and Miss Helen McKercher.

Mrs. J. R. Penny reported visiting the Women's Institute spot at the Peace Garden while on a visit to Western Canada.

During the session the Board was advised that Miss Ethel Chapman, Editor of Home and Country, and a member of the Home Economics Service, Extension Branch, Ontario Department of Agriculture, was retiring from full-time duty with the Extension Branch, but would retain the editorship of Home and Country.

To show their respect and affection for Miss Chapman for the work she has done through the Extension Branch and as Editor and writer, the board were delighted to honour her with a trip to Scotland. While no date has been specified for the trip, it is hoped Miss Chapman will go to Scotland at the time of the A.C.W.W. Conference. The Junior Farmers' Association have expressed their willingness to contribute to this. It is the wish of everyone on the Board that Miss Chapman take this trip and enjoy it to the full. (She certainly will! And with gratitude unbounded.—Ed.)

This year's scholarship winners attending Macdonald Institute were guests of the Board at dinner and were presented with their scholarships by Mrs. Haggerty. Attending were Lois Nixon, Marilyn Strang, Barbara Dick, Arlyn Ryder and Beth Sickle.