

to bend every effort toward world peace and understanding. Twenty-one Canadians attended this meeting and enjoyed the hospitality of a grateful people. Mrs. Watt resigned as president and Mrs. Raymond Sayre of United States, became the head of the organization.

The Sixth Conference in Copenhagen, in 1950, had for its theme, "Rural Welfare". By this time the United Nations had recognized the A.C.W.W.; support was given to UNICEF; consultative status was granted with UNESCO and ECOSOC, and ACWW was made a member of the NGO's working with the United Nations. Relations were maintained with WHO and we were granted delegates to FAO Conferences. Mrs. George Roberts became our permanent representative to United Nations in New York.

Toronto, Canada, was chosen as the meeting place of the Seventh Conference in 1953. The theme, "How Can the Countrywoman, as an Individual and a Society Member, take a more active part in International Work?", led to assisting Ceylon to establish Rural Training Centres through UNESCO. Mrs. Sayre's term of office was completed and Mrs. Alice Berry, of Australia, became president.

At the Eighth Conference, held in Colombo, Ceylon, in July, 1957 (postponed from December, 1956, due to the Suez Crisis) the theme was timely, "What is the Work that lies before us as Members of ACWW?", with the essay competition, "How is the Organization to Which I Belong Contributing to World Peace?". Mrs. A. Berry said that this conference was important so that the women of the West might get to know the women of the East. At this conference, we heard representatives from UNICEF, UNESCO, WHO and FAO. Mrs. George Roberts, ACWW representative to United Nations, emphasized the extent to which rural problems were being considered by the Specialized

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Agencies of UN, such as nutrition, food production and distribution, the drift from farms. ACWW was later granted Category B with ECOSOC. Thirty-five Canadians travelled around the world to attend this Eastern Conference.

August of this year, the Ninth Triennial Conference of the Associated Country Women of the World will be held in Edinburgh, Scotland. The theme is "Looking Ahead," and the essay, "Things My Grandmother Told Me."

To honour the accomplishments of this worldwide organization, devoted to the betterment of rural homes, which was initiated by a Canadian woman and internationalized by another Canadian woman, the Post Office Department issued a special stamp on May 13th.

AUTHOR'S NOTE: Much of the above information was furnished by Mrs. T. H. Howes of Alberta.

Mrs. Robert Walker, right, curator of the provincial W.I. Tweedsmuir history and Tweedsmuir history workshop instructor with Home Economics Service is photographed at a tea given in her honour by the Blue Lake and Auburn Tweedsmuir history committee at the home of Mrs. John Charlton. The cup and saucer, of Women's Institute design, were presented to Mrs. Walker by the Institute District of North Brant and a sterling silver spoon by the Blue Lake and Auburn Tweedsmuir history committee. With Mrs. Walker are Mrs. Philip Grandine holding the Blue Lake and Auburn history and Mrs. Reg Hyndman, President of North Brant Institute District.

