Women who had a part in organizing Glen Institute in East Elgin last March: Mrs. J. Penhale, president; Mrs. E. Bagnall, provincial board representative; Mrs. R. Young, president East Elgin district; Mrs. F. Campbell, Treasurer and Mrs. D. McGregor, Secretary. The new Institute started with 21 members; now it has 32.



history read to encourage the preservation of local history. **Ivanhoe** feels the need of "more fellowship at conventions," more opportunity for the delegates to mingle and get to know one another.

Parkdale says: "Our delegates learned how friendly the leading officers of the Women's Institutes are, and this has helped our officers to do their job in the same way."

## **Local Reports**

Public Relations Representatives report:

"Schomberg organized a new 4-H Homemaking Club this year. There was such a good response from the girls of the area that the club was almost too large for the leaders to handle. The girls put on a fine exhibit at the District Annual. We have now a successful, smooth-running club and the Institute is very proud of it."

Coleridge Union this year held its third public speaking contest for Grade VIII students, and had



Eden Mills Institute's exhibit at the Sew to Save Summary Day.

a social evening at which prize winners gave their speeches and received their prizes. The Institute's annual bus trip included a visit to Fairfield's Woollen Mills. The guest speaker at the public relations meeting had had a long association with a local newspaper.

## Comments and Recommendations

Gordon Lake: "We think it would benefit everyone if the hostess would serve less lunch at meetings."

Argyle: "Our members are mostly young mothers so we cannot carry on too many activities; but they really enjoy getting together once a month and they bring their babies. I think each locality must work out its own programme to suit the members. I cannot see the need of asking these young mothers to take too much time from their new homes to make a large balance for the Institute. We like to think we are learning together 'for Home and Country'."

North Perth Maple Leaf: "Please stop sending our Institute name in to all the national appeals. We have trouble enough supporting our own local organizations." (We repeat that Home Economics Service never gives the addresses of Institutes to anyone. The addresses are used only for mailing our own correspondence and the correspondence of F.W.I.O. to Institute secretaries. Also Mrs. Maynard asks me to say that it is strictly against the policy of the F.W.I.O. office to furnish the addresses of Institutes to any fundraising organization. When an appeal for funds does reach an Institute it rests with the members to deal with it as they wish. At the Officers' Conference some of the delegates reported that they did not give funds directly to any organization but where they were in sympathy with a cause, such as the appeal of the Cancer Society, they found they could be of far more help by doing the Society's canvassing for funds in their community.—Ed.)

Lion's Head: "Our members are quite discouraged. We get so much literature and so many letters asking for donations. So much of all our