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essay writing, spelling and fair exhibits, by offering prizes, bursaries and scholarships. In addition to sponsoring 4-H Clubs and Extension Courses, they have made it possible for outstanding students to remain at school longer than otherwise possible and have assisted students to attend University Seminars on the United Nations.

"Reports indicate widespread interest in the welfare of all citizens, including the young, the gifted, the handicapped, the newcomers and the seniors. General concern is expressed that the home and the school and the community meet the needs of the developing child, to insure growth in citizenship and education. That children need models and not critics was echoed from many districts. Some few areas have achieved trained remedial teachers for slow learners in the public schools. Reports of this work are gratifying, indeed.

"The will to befriend New Canadians has wide acceptance. Newcomers are entertained and helped in many problems and invited to share their cultural interests and their skills in crafts as well as in cookery.

"It is pleasant to know that many branches are studying the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Districts joined to analyze one of the thirty-two Articles of the Declaration under the guidance of the Liaison Officer, Citizenship Branch, Department of Citizenship and Immigration.

"With increasing interest in the work of the United Nations many have introduced UNICEF kits to school children for use at Hallowe'en. In this World Refugee Year there will be increasing opportunities for branches to help.

"In an election year one would look for greater emphasis on the right to vote, with details as to how many per branch used the privilege. Dare we hope that the number is increasing? One convener writes, 'There is a growing awareness of what citizenship means.' Let us hope that she is right. We must know what is involved before we can play the role of intelligent citizens. Never was there a greater need for women, trained in the

Women's Institute programme, to assist in the management of human affairs. It isn't enough to send Johnny to school with his face washed and his homework done. We must go along with him to assure the teacher of our interest and our support. It isn't enough to expect the Citizenship Convener to attend the open meetings of the School Board and the Municipal Councils. Women's Institutes should be there en masse taking an active part.

"Beyond our small communities there is a tremendous challenge in the management of human affairs. Atomic tests, the use of thermo-nuclear warheads, the fate of under-developed countries are issues on which we must have an informed opinion and toward which we dare not show indifference.

"In summing up the report of this year's work may I quote, as one convener has done, from the words of Dag Hammarskjold: "As we work in the days ahead may we accept our fellow men both as individuals and as nations who have rights and aspirations as sacred to them as ours are to us. It is only in this spirit that we can defend the cause of human dignity and find the way to world peace."

Home Economics and Health

"Seven areas only reported Home Economics and Health," said Mrs. Ernest Irwin, convener. All areas reported splendid work through 4-H Homemaking Clubs and more and more branches are realizing the benefits to be derived from the Local Leader Training Schools.

Contests have been popular as well as educational and a splendid idea to warm up a chilly atmosphere. Discussions should follow all well-prepared papers and some of the subjects discussed were: "Plight of people in the pre-pension group," "Farmers seek outside jobs to increase their earnings," "The place of the 100-acre farm in Canada," et cetera. Members again are urged to make a study of the World Health organization as part of their programme this year.

Roll calls included: "A brand name and its slogan." "Why I eat for beauty and good temper."