

Arrangement, Hair Styling, Fancy Sandwiches; and talks or papers on Fashions, Prevention of Accidents, Racial Discrimination, The Work of a Home Economist, Wedding Etiquette.

Reports listed many joint interests with the Junior Farmers' Association. Considerable interest in the work of the United Nations Organization was evident.

Girls in the Junior Farmers' Association

Reporting for the Junior Farmers' Association, Miss Jean Smith, the second Junior Board Director paid tribute to the many outstanding people who had spoken at Junior Farmer meetings. In explaining their program, Miss Smith said that great interest is maintained in the TV competitions, music, drama festivals, public speaking, field days, curling bonspiels, square dance competitions, all kinds of summer and winter sports. The annual provincial conference, held at the Ontario Agricultural College, is a looked-forward-to event by those privileged to attend, as is the Leaders' Camp at Lake Couchiching, Geneva Park. A special project had been a Safety Rodeo, which stressed safe driving. Miss Smith was happy to report that word had just been received that Mac Arbuthnot, a former Junior Farmer Provincial President, had been appointed the delegate to attend a Rural Youth Conference in India.

Federated Women's Institutes of Canada

Two recommendations will be presented to the National Board when it meets in Ottawa, February 14 to 17, to discuss new by-laws. The first, with regard to voting power—that representation on the F.W.I.C. Board be in the ratio of one to each 500 members; the second, that no Provincial or Territorial Unit shall have more than one member on the Executive Committee.

The suggestion that a donation of ten cents per member be continued this year, proceeds to be used for the Adelaide Hoodless Homestead and to finance work in connection with the new Women's Institute branches in the Northwest Territories, was approved; also that support to the Foundation Fund be continued.

Pleasure was expressed at the appointment of Mrs. R. J. Penney, of Kingston, as Convener of Citizenship and Health. Mrs. Bruce Connell, newly elected Junior Member of F.W.I.C. was appointed to attend the February meeting of the Board.

Officers' Conference

Reporting for the Officers' Conference, Mrs. E. V. Thompson expressed appreciation of the splendid leadership given by Mrs. Alex Watson, Chairman of Discussion Groups, and to all the Group Leaders and Recorders for

their interest and excellent reports. 800 applications were received, 300 of which were returned, as it had been decided to use only the accommodation available at the College. Most delegates attending the Conference like to stay on campus and accommodation is limited. This year's Conference was for Branch Presidents, as will be the 1962 Conference. An invitation was this year extended to the Junior Institutes and nine Junior members attended. Appreciation of the help of Miss Mc Kercher and the Department of Agriculture in making possible the arrangements for the dinner on the Thursday evening, was expressed; also, the help and co-operation given by Padre Young and Mr. Eccles, of Publicity and Public Relations Departments, O.A.C. The 1962 Conference will be held May 8, 9 and 10 and the Pooling Fee will be \$23. The raising of the fee is necessary, as delegates' expenses are higher than they were when the Pooling Fee was decided upon thirteen years ago.

Radio and Television Evaluation

The Public Relations Officer, Mrs. E. V. Thompson gave the report on the Radio and TV Evaluation Survey. 476 branches assisted in the survey. Of the 12,550 members represented, 12,510 have TV sets and 14,886, radios. It is quite usual to have a radio in the barn as well as in the house. Most programs were appreciated. Objections were principally against the violence depicted in many TV programs, also some advertising which, it was

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ONLY HEAVEN IS GIVEN AWAY

By Rose Darrough

I bought a gay-roofed little house upon a sunny hill,
Where heaven is very close to earth, and all the world is still.
It took my savings, every cent, although the cost was small,
But, oh, the lovely things I bought, and paid for not at all.
The sleepy valleys that below in tawny sunshine lie,
The oaks that sprawl across their slopes, and climb to meet the sky,
Stray winds that sing of other things than those our eyes may see,
Blue wisps of mist and raveled clouds, that, fleeing, beckon me.
White suns of mad, glad April, October's wine to quaff,
On crystal winter mornings my hearth fire's crackling laugh,
The quiet stars that march at night so close above my head,
The sound of raindrops on the roof when I am snug in bed.
For joist, and beam, and shingles gay, I spent my savings small,
But on the lovely things God gave He put no price at all!

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