

Northbrook reports: "I think our members feel that our own adult education has been our main interest. We were organized only two and a half years ago and only two of us had belonged to an Institute before, but our new officers for the year have taken their responsibilities most agreeably. We have wonderful enthusiasm and no hesitation about joining for the coming year. We are especially interested in consumer problems and the work of C.A.C."

Eady: "We are finding it difficult to get officers. So many young members are working away from the farm; also they dread the task of raising so much money needed for all requests . . . In fact this could lead to many branches folding up because of lack of members."

Bradford: "We are pleased with the reduction in correspondence. Members were bored with listening to it and we now have more time for our own program and social time."



Mrs. J. J. Munrose, one hundred years old, a member of the St. Lawrence Institute, still knits children's mitts for the Christmas stockings her Institute sends to Korea. She attends church and Institute meetings regularly from May to November — has to "stay in" during the winter.

Creemore: "We find panel discussions of great interest as they get everyone taking part. We had three panel discussions. Two debates were prepared but owing to the length of the business periods these had to be held over."

Sunniwood: "We were organized in 1960 and none of the members had had any previous experience in Institute work. It would be a help in such cases if an experienced member of another branch could attend meetings and give advice. (We believe all you would have to do would be to invite someone from an Institute nearby.—Ed.)"

Manilla: "A topic which creates discussion and gets members giving their opinions makes



Some of the Manitoulin Island Ice Lake Institute quilters with quilts made recently.

a lively, interesting meeting. Our program on Education aroused many questions and teachers were there to answer parents' inquiries. As a result of this meeting more members are using books from the library, including reference books."

West Fort William: "The way our programs are planned and carried out proves very efficient. Each convener draws names until every member is on a committee. Each committee plans a tentative program and is responsible for carrying it out. All conveners and officers meet to decide on a tentative program for the year, which is then discussed at a regular meeting."

Allanburg: "We expect to study the new Hand Book this coming year. A number of our younger members are not too familiar with Institute work."

Greenock would like to have a district workshop for branch secretaries to learn the proper use of the financial division of the minute book and annual reports. (We believe such a workshop has been held in a few places, organized by the District executive. Ed.)

West End says: "At two meetings we had the program before the business. For the first time we had a budget committee and found this beneficial. As usual we had a Social and Finance Committee to plan money-making and social events; this saves a lot of time at meetings."

Carluk: "We are going to set up a budget at an executive meeting to try to eliminate a lot of time-consuming argument at regular meetings."

Stoney Creek reports: "We have endeavored to keep the 'Mother Institute' functioning, though with perhaps a different type of program due to the rapid change from a rural to an urban district. There seems to be an increase in interest lately and we have hopes that 1961-62 may be a year of progress."