

result we have several new ladies taking an active part in Institute work."

**Smithville:** "All our programs were interesting but the April program, 'Easter in Other Lands' by New-Canadians was particularly good. It brought out women who do not often come to our meetings and several enrolled as members that night."

**Bryanston** is trying to attract the young mothers of the community by holding its meetings in the evening.

### Comments and Suggestions

**Dayton:** "Our secretary has been directed to write to our federal and provincial representatives in Parliament, stating that as an Institute we wish to support a medicare plan compulsory to all and under the provincial government. The secretary will also, at the District Annual ask each branch to study the pros and cons of medicare; and if in favor of such a plan to write their representatives."

**Valley Dale** in East Algoma was organized only last year but already they have gathered some material for a Tweedsmuir history. They report "We are learning and enjoying."

**MacLennan:** "To eliminate confusion in paying Women's Institute commitments, we usually group them and take care of them all by one motion in February."

**Walkerton Seniors:** "Instead of teas, raffles, etc. to raise money for our International Scholarship, each member donated \$2 which all decided was very satisfactory."

**Kars** says: "We had some good programs, not relying on outside help. Our members show ability which is encouraging."

**Violet Hill:** "We strongly disagree with those who suggest that the Institute should be disbanded as it has outlived its usefulness. The Training Schools and Short Courses are priceless; and we would miss the fellowship and good times spent together."

Susanne Straker, winner of the Simcoe County Mrs. Alfred Watt Ontario Women's Institute Scholarship for 1963. Susanne has completed twelve 4-H Homemaking projects, is active in the Young People's Association of her church and teaches a class in Sunday School. She is now taking the two-year course in Teachers' College.



**Rosemont:** "We feel that sending two delegates to the area convention for full time every year and taking all members by bus for one day, is our great privilege. We believe that a branch should send delegates to every conference and to the district annual and we plan to have money available for this purpose before anything is spent on outside appeals."

**Bethany:** "We are trying to avoid making finances a burden for our members as many belong to several organizations, typical of a small village. We do try to have one good fundraising project as we must have money to carry on; but we are concentrating more on members, 4-H Homemaking Clubs, courses and conventions; on supporting Women's Institute projects and not trying to do big projects and neglect our own branch educational program. We do feel, though, that Institutes can suggest and spark interest in community projects."

**Malden:** "Our yearly fee is 50 cents and we have 34 paying members and 4 life members which brought in \$17.00. Yet we paid to our District Secretary \$25.78 in fees. Should we raise our dues?"

**Wolfe Island** believes there is a great need in the Institutes for a study of the Hand Book, including quizzes at regular meetings.

**Martintown:** "We find there is getting to be too much paper work and too much business having to be handled at meetings. Last year our executive handled a lot of it separately which helped a little but not enough. We are gradually eliminating the canvassing for funds but there still seems to be far too much secretarial work involved."

**Third Line:** "Our chief concern at present is our 'adopted' little Chinese boy in Hong Kong. We haven't easy ways of making money but I think it does us good to sacrifice a little and it is a great reward to know that a little boy on the other side of the world can receive an education because an Institute in Ontario is interested in his welfare."

**Vandeleur:** "We agree we must support our own projects. We are proud of the work being



Miss Jean Scott, Supervisor Junior Extension, Home Economics Service, chairing the 4-H Homemaking Clubs' program at the C.N.E. The posters belong to club exhibits.