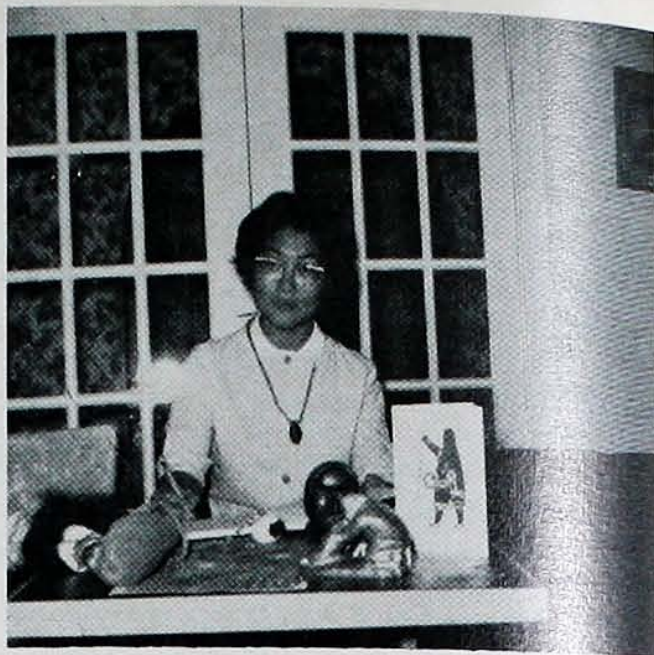


Let us for a moment think about this amazing woman. In her own time she was considered an upstart. Her ideas were so new and untried they were viewed with suspicion by most of her contemporaries. Her courage was regarded as fool-hardiness, her foresight an impractical dream. If she had allowed herself to become one of the crowd or had been contented to accept her world as she found it, and her already established place as an attractive and intelligent young housewife in her community, we would not now have one of the most influential world wide organizations in our society, the Women's Institute and the Associated Country Women of the World. The profession of home economist and the home sciences would have eventually been developed along with other sciences but would not have been accepted as a part of our life or be put to such practical use in our daily lives. If she had not founded the college at Guelph known as Macdonald Institute, to train highly qualified home economists to take their knowledge into the farm kitchens and rural communities, our whole concept of the dignity of homemaking and child raising would not have attained such high levels so quickly. She helped to bring the intellectual and the spiritual into our daily lives through our ties with women like ourselves in every country where Women's Institutes exist.

Are we today worthy successors to this great woman? Can we put into practice the dreams and ideas of our present leaders? Can we accept this modern world with its rapid change and move progressively into a future that only a few can even imagine?

Of course, change is uncomfortable! How nice it is to settle comfortably into our tried and proven thoughts and actions! How nice to keep traditions, to follow established routines! What was good enough for our fathers is not good enough to meet the needs of our present-day problems. We must cherish our traditions and the warm sense of comfort they give us, but our actions and decisions must be made with open-minded dedication to our present day goals. Adelaide Hoodless would be the first to give us this advice, I am sure. If she could take her place today as our leader I am sure she would be proud of her successors. She would not allow us to rest on our laurels or live on past achievements. She would urge us to learn new techniques and attitudes and learn, learn, learn to accept our changing world.

We have such leaders today. Only time separates the ideals of Adelaide Hoodless from those of our own. Let us give these leaders the support and encouragement we would grant to our founder should she return to lead us again.



Lucy Evaloardjuk, an Eskimo girl, signing the Visitors' Book of Nipissing Junction Women's Institute. The articles on the table are Eskimo handicraft.

ONTARIO INSTITUTE MAKES AN ESKIMO FRIEND

By Mrs. J. Laronde

At the regular meeting of the Nipissing Jct. Women's Institute, Miss Lucy Evaloardjuk, an Eskimo girl from Frobisher Bay, Baffin Island, was guest speaker. Lucy lives at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ryan, at the North Bay airport and has been with them two years. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ryan went to Frobisher Bay in 1961, as Mr. Ryan is a tele-communication official with the department of transport. They met Lucy there and asked her to come south with them and continue her education. Lucy attended the school at the airport in 1962 and went home by boat for the summer holiday. Then in September she flew back and now attends the St. Joseph's Girls College here, and is getting along well in her studies. At the meeting she told of her home at Pond Inlet, where she was born sixteen years ago. Then when her father had an accident there, the family all moved to Frobisher Bay. There are ten children in her family and her mother speaks only Eskimo. Lucy is a charming girl and her ambition is to get enough education to go back north and teach. At our meeting Lucy played two selections on the piano, and did not have to use the music. She is taking lessons from Mrs. Ryan. The branch presented Lucy with a brooch in the shape of a maple leaf, and complimented her on her good English and soft pleasing voice.

Our Institute voted \$10.00 to buy a coupon for our project Plan 367 for Adult Education in the North.

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