

## Office of Secretary-Treasurer Open for Applications

In December Miss McKercher and I attended the Awards dinner at the Federated Colleges, Guelph, where I presented the entrance awards to Macdonald Institute. In March I attended the Girls' Sessions of the Junior Farmers' Conference at the same place. The Girls' Session was well attended with our Mrs. Drayson presiding, and we enjoyed a fashion show by the Mac Hall students and Miss Jean McDougall's report of the Board Meeting. I conducted the election for the new Board Director for the Juniors, since Jean was completing Miss Elizabeth Barker's term. In the evening I attended the 50th anniversary banquet. One of the guest speakers at the conference this year was a young woman who is studying at the Coady Institute, Antigonish, N.S., sponsored by the Junior Farmers through the Share-A-Loaf campaign of the Freedom From Hunger Organization. A native of Holland, she is a social worker in Pakistan who felt she needed more training in leadership. The things she told us of conditions in Pakistan are a direct echo of the facts given by Mr. Hulse in his address to the Officers' Conference last year.

On April 16 a delegation of six: Mrs. Lymburner, Miss McKercher, Mrs. Florence Montgomery of the Canadian Restaurant Association, Miss Margaret Calder of the Hospital for Sick Children and Mrs. Linda Johnston from Mt. Sinai Hospital, and myself met with Mr. Stewart, Mr. W. G. Davis and Mr. E. Biggs to present the emergency resolution regarding Macdonald Institute. We were very well received.

Correspondence has been heavy, much of it being in protest of the increased membership fee. In addition to the letters which have gone out from Toronto about 95 have gone from my home. I appreciate having received letters and clippings from some of you Board Members and if at any time you have suggestions you wish to make for the good of the organization, they are very welcome.

### Report on Jury Duty

This delegation was led by Miss Margaret Hyndman and Mrs. Trivers as F.W.I.O. representative, along with a representative of the Business and Professional Women and Zonta Clubs. The delegation asked that there be an amendment to the Jurors' Act, the deletion of the words "I being a woman am released from Jury Duty." The Women's Institutes are in sympathy with this amendment and will support the Clubs leading this delegation.

### Rural Readership Forum

Mrs. Trivers gave the following report of the provincial Rural Leadership Forum.

The meeting this year was held at the beautiful new Y.M.C.A. Building, Geneva Court,

**T**HE position of Secretary-Treasurer for the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario will be vacant at the time of the Annual meeting of the Board of Directors in November 1964. The services of a qualified bookkeeper and typist are required. The position entails the keeping of a set of books for the General Accounts, Investments, Scholarships, Life Membership Funds and special project funds. It also involves the carrying on of general correspondence, minutes of F.W.I.O. and committee meetings, arrangements for board meetings and clearing of business arising therefrom. Inquiries for further details should be directed to Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario, 20 Spadina Road, Toronto 4. Also see Hand Book, page 51, section 5 and page 52, section 13.

Applications for the position will close September 15th, after which applicants will be interviewed by the committee at 20 Spadina Road, Toronto 4.

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Lake Couchiching. 67 delegates attended, representing the Federation of Agriculture, Junior Farmers, Women's Institutes and Home and School. There were a great many young people in attendance as well as one farmer in his eighties who was very lively and young at heart. The court is ten miles from Orillia so we were a self-contained unit, you might say. Attendance and interest were good throughout the week.

After registration on the Sunday evening a get-acquainted session was held, in which we met the members of our discussion groups and had to state why we had come or what we hoped to gain from the session. The theme for the forum this year was "We and Our Communities." A week before, each of us had been sent a questionnaire to complete, asking what we considered to be our community and why, its employment opportunities, its facilities (under 9 headings), and what in our opinion our communities needed most; how our community had improved and regressed over the past 20 years. These were for the information of Dr. Helen Abell and I have just received her analysis of the reports submitted in Saturday's mail so I cannot give you her conclusions.

Each morning the first hour and a half was spent with a speaker who directed our thoughts to one aspect of community development. Monday Prof. Ralph Dent dealt with "An ex-