

**Adelaide Hoodless Homestead Fund:** F.W.I.O. has paid to F.W.I.C. \$3,000 since October 1, 1963.

**F.W.I.C. Foundation Fund:** F.W.I.O. has paid to F.W.I.C. \$1,300 since October 1, 1963.

**UNESCO Coupon Plan No. 367:** Since October 1, 1963, \$5,116.23 has been contributed to this fund by 497 branches. \$5,000 has been paid to F.W.I.C. to use in the promotion of Women's Institute work in the North West Territories.

**International Scholarship:** The cash on hand in this fund is \$598.25; invested capital \$27,500 making the total contributed to date \$28,098.25 toward a goal of \$50,000.

**Pennies for Friendship:** 77 branches and a few districts have contributed \$509.30 since October 1, 1963. This of course does not include contributions to be turned in at this year's District Annual Meetings. These meetings were all held after the Board Meeting.

### Miss McKercher Reports

Miss Helen McKercher, Director Home Economics Service reported that the overall picture of extension service showed that 35,000 women and girls participated in the service this year. Each year interest grows and women in the community and neighboring Institutes are included in the Extension Services. The main role of the Home Economics Service is the education of women.

We seem to be in an era where there is a lack of concern of people for people, yet basically we are concerned about our neighbors. We are struggling to keep up our standard of living and people don't want to do anything for nothing. Miss McKercher raised the question, have we stressed degrees to much and skills not enough?

In extension education the question of motivation constantly comes up. Why do some participate and some not? What teaching methods are most effective? We will come for what we want but we do not always want what we need. There is a need to press for social research.

We can no longer afford the slow and easy adjustment; it is time to face change squarely. Cooking and sewing are becoming more and more lost arts. It seems there is a greater need for specialized courses. What was best a few years ago does not meet the need of today. It is most important not to waste time in education, to know what you want and strive for a goal.

It is more important than ever to get something every time we go to a meeting. We must define the purpose of the Institute clearly and the services of the Home Economics Service must also be defined.



Mrs. C. E. Yeates and Mrs. S. Panting present the F.W.I.O. Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Holder with a \$2,000 scholarship from the Institutes of the Northern Area — Muskoka, Nipissing and Parry Sound. Mrs. Trivers at right.

Food Forums are popular. More group instruction must be given and methods must be more efficient because of less teacher contact. There is a need for assistance especially in buying and managing and, as always, a need for assistance in nutrition. This thought was introduced by Miss McKercher: Would the women come for a day to Guelph and participate in a refresher type course? The subject might be Home Management—say a study of equipment, with subject matter that would have depth. This was the thought left with the members.

### The Institutes' Safety Project

Mrs. N. Vickruck is Convener of the Committee on Safety. She reported that material on "Use and Misuse of Poisons", F.W.I.O.'s Safety Project for this year, will shortly be prepared and sent out to branches. Many films are available and Mrs. Vickruck warned that a film should never be viewed without having a buzz session to gain the most information; that visual aids and discussions work hand in hand.

All branches should send a report of their Safety Meeting to Mrs. N. Vickruck, R.R. 3, Port Arthur by October 15, 1964. Your District Health Unit and Department of Transport have pamphlets available on Highway Safety. The Ontario Safety League has information available on Home Safety through Judy Adams, 208 King West, Toronto 1. Local druggists have information and films available for the asking. Because there is a growing concern for more information on Safety, this is of prime importance to each Women's Institute member.