The Hon. W. A. Stewart, Ontario Minister of Agriculture, talks with the F.W.I.O. President, Mrs. Small (left) and the Past President, Mrs. Leonard Trivers.



and those suitable for your area and that you strive to get the powers-that-be to get more of them in your community. We can also do a great deal to promote the tourist industry in our communities." Mrs. Wilding advised consulting with the local Agricultural Representative or with men in industry who might recommend speakers, films or study material suitable for Institute programs in our areas.

Mrs. Geo. S. Burkitt, F.W.I.O. representative to the Ontario Federation of Agriculture, reported, by letter, that this year the marketing of farm products had been a major concern of the O.F.A. The Federation "has assisted the broiler chicken producers and the turkey producers in bringing their commodities to the status of regulated products and thus enjoying the security provided by the Farm Products Marketing Act," she reported. A very representative system of committees in the Federation makes it possible for all the organizations affiliated to have a voice in shaping policies. This year the resolutions dealt with a range of subjects including marketing, education, insurance, farm labor, compulsory warble-fly control, income tax exemption, interpretation of agricultural goods under the sales tax regulations.

Mrs. Trivers read a letter from a committee of the Agricultural Science Teachers' Association asking the Institutes to prepare a brief or suggestions on what they consider desirable in the teaching of agriculture in secondary schools. The committee hopes to keep some pupils interested in high school for a longer time by offering scientific agriculture as an optional subject on the same basis as music. The course would not take the place of science or mathematics but would be of special value to diploma students going into employment. The committee hopes to have greenhouses for teaching on

the same basis as shops for shop work; and they would like to offer technical shop work related to agriculture.

## Citizenship and Education

An interesting point in Mrs. C. E. Yeates' report on Citizenship and Education was the increasing part in Institute programs being taken by New Canadians; also the numbers of addresses by lawyers on Wills, Estates, Human Rights and laws pertaining to women. Other speakers were representatives of the Police Force, the Department of Northern Affairs, Miss Eadie reporting on her Institute survey in the North West Territories, representatives of the Council on municipal affairs, probation officers on juvenile delinquency. Teachers and School Inspectors spoke on An Approach to Mathematics, New Methods of Teaching, The New Curriculum, Drop-outs in Secondary Schools. Music teachers spoke on the value of music in schools, and librarians on the importance of good reading. Travelogues and films have a place on most Institute programs; and discussions are becoming popular.

Mrs. Yeates left the reminder that the Department of Citizenship and Immigration, Ottawa, will send a free copy of the magazine "Citizen" to any Institute asking for it and that this Department offers a great deal of excellent study material free—for example the booklets "Our Land", "Our History", "Our Resources."

Mrs. Yeates gave a detailed report of sessions of the Trustees and Ratepayers' Section of the O.E.A. where she represented the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario.

## Historical Research and Current Events

The report of the convener of Historical Research and Current Events, Mrs. W. H. Clugston contained an extensive list of roll calls,