

stress that every branch and district should report on resolutions whether they have any or not.

Due to good preliminary study, careful preparation and supporting material, Mrs. Trivers reported that almost one half of resolutions sustained at area conventions had been approved at spring board meeting. In addition one emergency resolution was sustained allowing Jack's Lake Branch Women's Institute to remain in Simcoe West rather than transfer to Simcoe Centre. The Ontario Food Council asked for and received endorsement of their resolution to allow red food coloring to be added to canned sour cherries. Progress report on other resolutions was as follows:

Resolution re compulsory auto insurance: Motor vehicle accident claims fund has been adopted and as far as department of transport can see, we are more adequately covered than under compulsory auto insurance. 97-98% are now insured in Ontario.

Resolution re lowering of drinking age: The provincial secretary has replied that two years ago it was determined the age would be 21 and there is no intention of any change.

Resolution re 11% sales tax on drugs: The federal Minister of Finance has advised that action of legislature will be guided by a special investigating committee on food and drugs which is now sitting.

Resolution re pre-shrunk bindings on cardigans: Canadian Association of Consumers has requested specific details re brand names, prices, etc., for a definite inquiry and this information has not been forthcoming to date from branch submitting original resolution.

Resolution re book "Yellow Briar": The Department of Education has informed us that it is presently on the list of books for secondary schools.



Miss N. E. Lanning, Union, receives the London Area Women's Institute Bursary from Mrs. H. Strang, Chairman, London Area Women's Institutes.

Resolution re training of ambulance drivers: The Minister of Health replied that request for ambulance driver first aid training is being considered and they are drafting a resolution for training of personnel.

Resolution re testing of new-born babies for phenylketonuria (a cause of retardation): The Minister of Health has stated that arrangements have been made to have testing of new-born babies for this chemical imbalance made a routine procedure.

Later in the board meeting it was approved that investigation be made as to whether this testing is also being done in other provinces and if not, resolution will be forwarded to F.W.I.C.

Resolution re centennial plans: Algoma District had presented an emergency resolution re inclusion of "The Song of Hiawatha" in centennial plans and these are now included.

Five emergency resolutions were presented to the Board, 4 from Guelph area concerning the use of insecticide drugs and one from Toronto area re our water resources. The Board ruled that the four from the Guelph area should not be considered as emergency resolutions. The emergency resolution from the Toronto area asking the federal government to refrain from entering into any agreement to divert rivers or construct canals for the purpose of diverting supply of water to other countries was sustained and will be sent to F.W.I.C.

Resolution re Tweedsmuir history competitions: Resolutions committee drafted and Board considered and sustained an emergency resolution which will be sent to national level asking that the national competition for Tweedsmuir histories be discontinued because of the growing number of volumes which creates a problem of transportation, much of the material is irreplaceable, it is difficult to set up criteria for judging and a true national competition is not possible.

Mrs. Gowan Young was appointed to resolutions committee for three-year term.

Report on Green Belt: Further to resolution in 1965 re a study of green belts and diminishing water supplies, Mrs. Trivers reported that brief was presented to the Department of Economics and Development but information quickly becomes outdated. Department of municipal Affairs was contacted re any information from Planning Act but nothing available. "Members of committee are working individually re contacting people but a kit is not ready as yet," said Mrs. Trivers.

Ontario Food Council: The Ontario Food Council is a council of producers, processors and consumers appointed by the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food. Originally