

Junior Farmers' Association

The report of the Junior Farmers' Association showing 132 clubs and 6,553 members was presented by Miss Marion Ruttan, the newly appointed Junior Board Director. Approximately 1,000 attended the Toronto Conference in January where competitions were held. Twenty-four took part in the Effective Speaking Course at Albion Hills; and the Annual Provincial Conference on "Community Betterment Around the World" was well attended in March. Top competitors from each of six zone field days met at the University of Guelph for Field Day.

Travelling scholarships gave an opportunity to visit other provinces and the United States. Ten Junior Farmers from the United Kingdom visited in Ontario. Delegates were sent to the Provincial Camp at Geneva Park, and a Drama Workshop was held at the Guelph Little Theatre. The Junior Farmers' Association of Ontario has received \$4,400 for the World Literacy Fund; and vegetable seeds for Zambia were given to missionary Rev. Jim Stockton. The 25th Anniversary of the Association will be celebrated in 1969.

Junior Institute Activities

A variety of topics and demonstrations ranging from Refinishing Furniture, Pension Plans, Racial Segregation, etc. to Hairdressing, Child Care, and Flower Arranging were features of 1967-68 Junior Institutes activities reported to Miss Barbara Watkins, Junior Board Director. Tours were held to an Airport and the Elgin County Museum. Guest speakers were heard on a variety of subjects.

Junior Institute Convention

Miss Barbara Watkins also reported re the second Junior Institute Conference held at the Centralia College of Agricultural Technology during the last weekend in September. Representatives from 15 counties attended and the theme was "Cues For You". Approximately 90 attended the banquet on Saturday evening, when the Hon. Wm. A. Stewart and Mrs. Stewart were special guests.

(Complete report was given in last edition)

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Fog

It falls
And hides reality.
It chokes all light
And sounds retreat
Behind the mist
And then
As silent, swift
As when it comes
It turns
And goes.

Quoted from Northern Lights Bulletin

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Citizenship and Education

Mrs. Charles Beamer, convener of Citizenship and Education, reported that Women's Institute members were very conscious of citizenship in Centennial year. She stressed that no matter what our age in years may be, let us determine to add to our education and strive in the coming years to be better citizens than we are today.

Programs featured bus trips to Expo and other parts of Canada and the world; quizzes on inventors, provincial emblems and prime ministers, etc.; films and travelogues; addresses or papers on "Whatever happened to plain English!", "Status of Women", "Changes in the educational system", Ontario manpower retraining in Agriculture; Canada Pension Plan as it applies to women; Indians and Eskimos; and Women's Institutes in the North of Canada; etc.

Some roll calls were: "One step I can make towards world peace"; "A man of the hour and what he is doing for his country"; "Add a new word to your vocabulary and explain its meaning".

Mottoes: "It is what you learn after you know it all that counts"; "There isn't a map showing the road to success — you must shape your own"; "Wisdom is knowing when to speak your mind and when to mind your speech".

Historical Research and Current Events

Mrs. Wilson Johnson, convener, reported that events of the past hundred years claimed a prominent place in most reports. Some of the many subjects studied were: History of Canadian postal service, of Canadian newspapers, roads, first Christmas cards and Christmas stockings, the postage stamp, Quaker days; and



The building shown in this picture is a replica of the Waterloo Township Hall which can be seen in the Doon Pioneer Village. Women's Institutes of the North and South Waterloo Districts sponsored a Handicraft Exhibit here during the months of August and September. Also on display were Tweedsmuir History Books and prized family heirlooms. Members of the Women's Institutes sold home made baking, jams, jellies, sandwiches and coffee.