

Agriculture and Canadian Industries

The interest in agriculture has gone from demonstrations in butter making and culling hens to concern for conservation, pollution, farm bookkeeping and family living.

All aspects of education have been studied. The involvement of the Women's Institutes with the 4-H Homemaking Clubs has become a major part of the Women's Institute program. Through the Women's Institutes, women are learning to express themselves publicly, to take their part as citizens and using their women's influence by freely expressing their point of view.

The panel brought out the need for changing with the times. Women's Institute programs are showing a growing concern for the brotherhood of men. This can start at Branch level with a welcome and understanding given to new people coming into the neighbourhood along with practical help given when needed.

The "Flash Back" program concluded by pointing out that the motto, "For Home and Country" is still good for another seventy-two years, as long as we adapt our thinking to the changing times.

Mallorytown — The story of the Mallorytown Hop Fields, a thriving industry in Leamington East in the last half of the nineteenth century, was presented at a meeting of this branch. A photograph of the hop pickers was shown.

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A display of posters used by the Melbourne Women's Institute to illustrate projects undertaken.



HOME AND COUNTRY



Charter members Mrs. Roy Morrow left and Mrs. Norman Clatten cutting the birthday cake at the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Community Women's Institute.

With The F.W.I.O. Branches

A panel of members of the Ennotville Women's Institute conducted a "Women's Institute Flash Back" at their Historical Research meeting. The members traced the work of the Women's Institute through seventy-two years since the founding by Adelaide Hunter Hoodless. The story, well known to Women's Institute members — that because of the death of her youngest son, attributed to the use of impure milk, Adelaide Hoodless felt a compulsion for the need of more knowledge for women and girls in the homemaking skills. So out of a personal tragedy came the Women's Institutes.

The history was traced from the first meetings when the objectives were better homes and communities with members preparing their own papers and demonstrations, as well as professional speakers provided by the Women's Institute Branch of the Department of Agriculture. Health of the family has always been a primary concern of the Women's Institutes. This concern has resulted in having bread wrapped, medical inspection in schools, and steps resulting in hospitalization insurance.