

seeing a flower, one person may see it in terms of colour, another in terms of form, another in terms of smell. It is true also that quality of the function of our eyes may be quite different.

"People," the speaker reminded the delegates, "change as time passes, and experience enlarges. We are inclined to see what we want to see and gloss over unpleasant things. Public relations people are adept at telling people what they want to hear.

"The communication gap between the generations is widened because young people see the world in a different way than the older people, and too often each fails to make the effort to understand the point of view of the other. Our world is in a state of continuous change and we must be alert to keep abreast or at least to try to understand the changes, otherwise we are left behind.

"In communicating with other people we should be patient. The person not understanding what another is trying to put across can become frustrated and frustration can lead to anger and total rejection.

"A prime rule in communicating is to find a point of common experience. We thus establish a contact from which we can enlarge.

"We must beware of making judgments. People constantly change and a label applied to another person may not apply as that person develops through age and experience.

"Remember," concluded the speaker "when we make a judgment we are telling more about ourselves than about other people."

With Miss Doreen Harrop, president of the Ontario Junior Women's Institutes, in the chair Saturday sessions opened at nine o'clock. After a short greeting by Miss Harrop a discussion led by Miss Sylvia Shaw, Secretary of the Junior Women's Institutes, took place on the revised Constitution and By-Laws for the Junior Women's organization.

Questions were answered and points clarified by Miss Jean Scott, Supervisor of Junior Extension with the Department of Agriculture and Food. At the conclusion of the discussion a motion was passed that the Junior Women's Institutes of Ontario accept the Constitution and By-Laws as they had been presented to the delegates at the 1969 convention.

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If you fear life, your life will be fearful; if you hate life, it will be hateful; if you love life it will be lovely.

R. J. Needham —  
Columnist for Toronto Globe and Mail

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## A Visit to A Pioneer Cabin

For the afternoon sessions the delegates and guests were divided into three groups. While two groups visited a pioneer log cabin at the Conservation School where they tried their hands at carding and spinning wool, and dipping candles from beeswax, pioneer style, the third group was under a shady tree learning to make lovely little flowers from ribbon.

## The Banquet

Miss Harrop was the chairman for the Convention Banquet. Head table guests included Mrs. Austin Zoeller, president of the Ontario Women's Institutes; Miss Helen McKercher, Director of the Home Economics Branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food and Miss Marion Ruttan, Junior F.W.I.O. Director.

Miss McKercher brought greetings from the Home Economics Branch and told the girls that her message to the Senior Branches of the Women's Institutes of Ontario this year was to establish the organization as one of "people who care about people."

"It is natural," Miss McKercher said, "that a girl's prime interest would be in herself, but you girls who are here tonight have given up a weekend to be here. This proves that you care about people and your organization whose prime motive is to care about people."

A toast to the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario was proposed by Miss Sylvia Shaw. Mrs. John Charlton, F.W.I.O. secretary, gave the reply in which she congratulated the young women on the success of the convention.

Introduced by Miss Sharon Passmore, Mrs. Zoeller was the speaker for the evening. Mrs. Zoeller, recently returned from a Council meeting of the Associated Countrywomen of The World and an European tour of Denmark, Germany, France, Italy and England, told of some of the experiences of her trip.

Telling of the A.C.W.W. Council meeting, Mrs. Zoeller recalled the interesting experience of meeting women from the various member countries of A.C.W.W. She said, "In our affluence we must be able to give but not try to impose our ways and thinking on other countries." Mrs. Zoeller quoted the A.C.W.W. President Mrs. Aroti Dutt who said, "Human beings are the most important things in the whole world. The mother of a family is of prime importance, and to promote literacy in the developing countries is the most important thing that we can do for those countries."

Mrs. Zoeller was thanked by Miss Jean Jenkins.