

A review of the provincial Junior Women's Institute annual meeting was given and a recommendation presented from it re the possibility of having a Junior Women's Institute president's badge. The members of the Provincial Board directed their executive to consider this recommendation.

Board Directors' Reports

Each Director presented a short report of the meeting conducted by her at which she met the Women's Institute officers in her Sub-Division. Displays, flip charts, special memos and discussion groups proved helpful. The general opinion was that these meetings were worthwhile.

Mrs. A. Zoeller commented on the reports and using visual aids showed how good leaders can be selective about the material they use and how to communicate that information to others.

Resolutions

Mrs. Everett Small, F.W.I.O. Convener of Resolutions introduced twenty-eight resolutions which were considered. She urged the directors to vote "as they thought best for the organization, best for the country and for the good of all people." Fourteen resolutions were sustained.

Two resolutions that were sustained reflected concern re the high cost of living. They were:

That the Prime Minister of Ontario be asked to change the Succession Duty Act to eliminate the payment of succession duties on all estates passing to the spouse of the deceased;

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THE FLOWER BOAT

The fisherman's swapping a yarn for a yarn
Under the hand of the village barber,
And here in the angle of house and barn
His deep-sea dory has found a harbor.

At anchor she rides the sunny sod
As full to the gunnel of flowers growing
As ever she turned her home with cod
From George's bank when winds were blowing.

And I judge from that Elysian freight
That all they ask is rougher weather,
And dory and master will sail by fate
To seek for the Happy Isles together.

Robert Frost

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That the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario do everything possible to discourage the new estate tax so that the heirs or successors will find it profitable and rewarding to carry on whatever estate has been willed to them, with a view to assisting low income tax group people. The Minister of Finance will be asked to consider raising the tax free exemption to the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars.

Other resolutions sustained were:

That the Women's Institutes of Ontario encourage the adoption of a promotion campaign for the planting of new shade trees to replace those lost through the Dutch elm disease;

Note: Since this resolution has been sustained, this matter becomes the responsibility of each individual member to promote the replacement of trees throughout the Province.

That the legal profession be asked to institute such procedure as may be necessary to have documents printed in uniform type, easily readable by all persons involved, thus eliminating the fine print now in use;

That the Ontario Department of Health and the Federal Department of Health and Welfare be asked to exert their influence to bring about a ban on cigarette advertisements on television and radio;

That roadside park signs indicate the side of the road on which the parks are situated, in order that sufficient warning may be given to motorists before reaching the park area;

That F.W.I.O. request the Ontario Government to pass legislation requiring roll bars and safety belts to be standard equipment on all new tractors;

That the Government of Ontario be requested to prohibit the sale of non-returnable bottles, since it has been shown that non-returnable bottles cost more initially, are a health hazard and contribute to pollution;

That the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario again ask the C.B.C. to refrain from using programs showing obscene scenes, violence, and excessive use of alcohol in favour of programs depicting good morals;

A resolution requested the return of the Don Messer show;

That the Ontario Department of Health be requested to take steps to include Nursing Home Care in the Hospital Insurance Plan, because of the severe financial strain on families of chronic patients who have to leave hospital but still require care in a nursing home. It was pointed out that the Government has not shut the door on such an inclusion and plans are in the process of development;