

RESOLUTIONS

Postal Service

Whereas the curtailment of essential services such as the postal service is a severe blow to the economy of our nation:

Be it resolved that the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada urge the government to enact legislation to ensure that the postal service cannot be crippled due to strikes.

Capital Gains Tax

Whereas the Benson White Paper on Tax Reforms, with its capital gains proposals, will place intolerable strain on the maintaining of the family proprietorship system in Canadian agriculture:

Be it resolved that the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada endorse the submission on tax reform, presented by the Canadian Federation of Agriculture and urge that the three principles for levying capital gains tax on farms, as outlined by the Canadian Federation of Agriculture be established.

Pollution

Whereas the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada deplore the amount of land, air and water pollution in Canada; and

Whereas the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada commend action already taken by the federal and provincial governments in their scrutiny and control of pollution;

Be it resolved (1) that the federal and provincial governments hasten their efforts for further research on pollution of the environment, and in their efforts in air and water pollution abatement and control in both the industrial and domestic areas of involvement; (2) that the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada confirm their support of efforts of governments at all levels in combatting pollution; and (3) that the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada express their willingness to co-operate in any program requiring citizen participation in research and pollution control.

All of the above resolutions were sustained.

FROM THE REPORT ON THE NORTHERN CANADA WOMEN'S INSTITUTES

The Northern Canada Women's Institute Fund

At the beginning of the Triennium, (1967-1970) the balance of the UNESCO Gift Coupon Fund #367, was transferred to the N.C.W.I. Fund and further contributions were received from members in every province. The suggestion had been made that contributions be made on the basis of ten (10c) cents per member per year, and several provinces have exceeded this amount during the Triennium.

Discovery W.I. donated the balance of their fund when they disbanded. Inuvik W.I. donate \$50 to be used to help with the delegates' travel to the Seminar.

The N.C.W.I. Fund has been spent as follows:

- 1) Field Worker's expenses in the Territories.
- 2) Program aids and craft materials have been provided.
- 3) Travel assistance has been given for our Northern Members to attend the ACWW/FWIC Seminar in 1969, FWIC Convention and Alberta Convention.
- 4) General expenses of the Seminar, over and above the contribution from the ACWW Lady Aberdeen Scholarship Committee.
- 5) A donation of \$50 given to the Inuvik Centennial Library for the purchase of children's books.
- 6) Cost of distribution of the Northern Light Bulletin to Branches in the Territories.

Seminar

The highlight of this Triennium was the ACWW/FWIC Seminar in Yellowknife in July 1969. This was the first seminar held under the expanded terms of the Lady Aberdeen Scholarship and was a joint effort of ACWW and FWIC. The Territorial visit of the National President of FWIC, Mrs. George Clarke, was in conjunction with this Seminar and her contribution to the program was invaluable.

Delegates were present at the Seminar from each N.C.W.I. Branch in the North West Territories and the Yukon. Of the 26 delegates all except 4 were Indian, Eskimo or Metis. The theme was "Conservation and Development of Human and Natural Resources."

Field Workers

Field workers have gone into the North each year during the Triennium 1967-1970. In 1967 Miss Florence Eadie went to the N.W.T. and was assisted by Mrs. L. T. Vear of the Discovery Women's Institute. Also in 1967 Miss Eadie went to the Yukon and was assisted by Mrs. M. E. Lambert of Destruction Bay W.I. In 1968 Mrs. Vear did the field work in the N.W.T. and Mrs. Lambert in the Yukon. In 1969, this same pattern was followed with Mrs. Enid Tait of Shawak Valley W.I. assisting Mrs. Lambert in the Yukon. In 1970 Mrs. Vear went north from British Columbia to the N.W.T.

N.C.W.I. Branches

The Triennium started with nine branches in the NW.T. It closes with ten, two lost and three gained. Reindeer Station closed down and everyone had to move away, and Discovery shared the same fate. In the place of these