

two Institutes we now have Coppermine, Yellowknife and Hay River. In the Yukon we find the same situation, started the Triennium with four and closed with the same number. Shakkwak Valley W.I. had to disband but there is a new one at Beaver Creek. Approximate number of members in the N.C.W.I. is 200.

Four observers, two from the Yukon and two from the N.W.T. attended the F.W.I.C. Convention in Winnipeg.

Handicraft

A moosehair embroidered plaque from Fort Providence won second prize in the ACWW Competition in the free needlework class. The prize of £6 and the certificate were presented during the Seminar.

The current handicraft project is a wall hanging depicting some activity of this Centennial year in the N.W.T. Prize money to be awarded is part of the donation from the Discovery W.I.

Handbook

The N.C.W.I. Handbook, which had been prepared and used for the first ten years of the N.C.W.I. lifetime, was revised and put into simpler language for use in the Native Branches. It is hoped that this simpler version may be translated into Eskimo and Slavey Indian.

The N.W.T. Committee for F.W.I.C. made the following recommendations which were accepted by the delegates at the convention.

- 1) That the F.W.I.C. continue the development of the W.I. program in Northern Canada under the guidance of a Committee, with at least two of the present Committee members being retained on said Committee.
- 2) That the cost of such a continuing program be taken from the General Funds of F.W.I.C., but that special donations be gratefully accepted.

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Interest in the movement was created last summer when observers from Hay River attended the ACWW/FWIC Seminar held in Yellowknife in 1969 so this was Mrs. Vear's first stop when returning for this season's work.

Mrs. Vear speaks of interest in the Centennial Competition, sponsored by the Northern Canada Women's Institutes Committee of FWIC, both by this new group and at the other centres she has visited to date. This is a wall hanging depicting activities of the Centennial Year in the Northwest Territories. Any kind of

material may be used and the design worked in any type of craft traditional to the North.

Crafts are featured in all NCWI programs. At Fort Providence Mrs. Vear found the Women's Institute was working towards some form of a co-operative run by the members themselves, with the tourist trade in mind. She found they already have much good work on hand. It will be recalled it was this Women's Institute that won an international award for their moosehair embroidery plaque at the last Conference of the Associated Country Women of the World, 1968.

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