

by Mrs. Stanley Bride, and the futuristic view by President Mrs. Zoeller. The A.C.W.W. Council Meeting in London in September was attended by the Provincial President as well as other representations on behalf of F.W.I.O. including Girls' 4-H Conference, 4-H Club Leaders' Breakfast in Toronto, Canadian Council on 4-H Clubs, et cetera.

Concluding her report Mrs. Zoeller challenged each Women's Institute member to strive "To touch and know the great human heart," and thus better attain those aims to promote better family living, homemaking with a meaning, and make all more aware that there are values to hold on to and to combine yesterday's heritage with tomorrow's talent.

### Secretary's Report

Mrs. Wm. G. Miller reported membership of 31,314 Women's Institute members in 1342 Branches in Ontario for the 1969-70 year. There are 2452 Branch Life Members and 44 District Life Members.

All business was completed as directed by the Provincial Board of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario including the investment of funds. As Secretary Mrs. Miller attended all committee meetings including Constitution. She worked with Mrs. Zoeller on plans for the F.W.I.C. Convention, was a voting delegate and represented Ontario Women's Institutes at the A.C.W.W. session, "What A.C.W.W. means to me."

Mailings from the F.W.I.O. office included 2443 letters, 2540 receipts, miscellaneous, et cetera; 1145 parcels containing Women's Institute supplies, and also 1233 letters, cheques, notices, et cetera. This does not include the large mailings done by the Home Economics Branch, Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food.

### The Federated Women's Institutes of Canada

Mrs. Austin S. Zoeller, Senior F.W.I.O. Board Director for Ontario on Federated Women's Institutes of Canada Board of Directors reported on the annual meeting held in Winnipeg prior to the National Convention August 23-27th. Mrs. E. Small, Junior Board Director, was unable to attend because of family illness, and her alternate, Mrs. Clarence Mann represented her at the Board meeting. Mrs. Wilbur Lawrence, Junior Board Director to F.W.I.C. also represented Ontario.

Women's Institutes were urged to continue to give leadership in programs on Resources and Development, Farm and Home Safety and Beautification, Nutrition and Physical Fitness, Family Life and Pollution.

At the Post Board Meeting committee chairmen were appointed and Mrs. Leonard Trivers, 2nd Vice President of F.W.I.C. Thessalon, Ontario was named Resolutions Committee Chairman. She will also be a voting delegate to the A.C.W.W. Conference in Oslo, Norway in August 1971.

A further meeting of the F.W.I.C. Board will be held the week of March 15, 1971.

### The Associated Country Women of the World

President Mrs. Austin S. Zoeller reported on the A.C.W.W. Council Meeting in London, England in September. Plans for the 13th Triennial Conference in Oslo, Norway, August 1971 were initiated.

A new ad hoc committee was set up under the General Purposes Committee to utilize donations of money in a special fund established to meet needs of some societies requiring extra assistance such as deficits on teachers' salaries in an Indian Literacy Campaign or transportation for teachers and doctors visiting rural areas in Brazil.

A cheque for \$6,290 for Pennies For Friendship was presented from Women's Institutes of Ontario. Members are asked to continue to give generously to this lifeline of A.C.W.W. and also to subscribe to "The Country Woman." A copy of the letter of acknowledgement from A.C.W.W. is being printed on page 24.

A.C.W.W. representatives have attended meetings in New York, Rome and Geneva to cooperate with non-governmental organizations and also the Second World Food Congress in Holland. We are urged to show concern and take action through a study of Hunger and Poverty throughout the world.

The Lady Aberdeen Scholarship assists in training students for leadership in developing countries.

Area Vice Presidents reported on their work in furthering the Associated Country Women of the World. Canada reviewed the recent F.W.I.C. Convention; three regions in Africa told of raising funds for a building to promote crafts; the American organizations working with Indian women in Colorado; Europe reported need to assist women in rural areas; South Africa are encouraging Cottage Industries to preserve their crafts and give a financial lift to women; Irish Country Women are supplying a 3-month training course for women from Italy and the West Cameroons. Every representative was impressed with need of women in all parts of the world and hopeful that constituent societies will promote A.C.W.W. and understand its purposes.