

WHEREAS pollution of air and water has become a major problem in Canada;

AND WHEREAS the phosphate content of many laundry detergents is very high;

AND WHEREAS by the use of these phosphate content detergents we add greatly to the pollution hazard;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario respectfully request the Resources Minister of the Federal Government to seek legislation to ban or control the amount of phosphates allowed in laundry detergents.

#### **Eastern Ontario Area**

WHEREAS at present the paint used in marking the center lines and divisional lines of the multi-lane highways becomes obliterated completely at times; in winter white lines are indistinguishable from snow; at night when pavement is wet, lines merge with the light reflections;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario request the Department of Highways to increase their efforts in the study of light reflecting, long wearing paint; or developing new methods of pavement markers imbedded in the highway surface; that prime consideration be given to areas where snow conditions exist up to five months of the year and to implement these better methods as soon as possible.

#### **Hamilton Area**

WHEREAS there has been a loss of life at night as a result of poor visibility at rural level railway crossings unmarked by flashing lights when a long freight train is crossing;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario do all in their power to bring pressure on the Department of Transport to make it mandatory that all railway box cars, coal cars, flat cars and caboose be marked by some type of fluorescent paint in such a manner as to pick up headlights of an automobile.

WHEREAS we feel that November the eleventh should be truly a Day of Remembrance and not a holiday;

AND WHEREAS we feel our students would better realize what this day really stands for if they had a short Service of Remembrance in their school;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario request the Government of Ontario to declare that November the eleventh no longer be a holiday from school but a regular school day with a service or instruction on the real meaning of Remembrance Day.

#### **London Area**

WHEREAS across the Nation half of all air pollution appears to come from motor vehicles (some say 60%), the other 40% from stationary sources;

AND WHEREAS it is claimed that auto exhaust is slowly damaging the sight, hearing and brain cells of the Nation's people;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario request the Government of Ontario to enforce the existing law — "The Air Pollution Control Act of 1967."

WHEREAS in purchasing frozen food — fruit, vegetables and dairy products it has been found that some of the food is stale and tasteless and sometimes unfit for use;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario do everything possible, individually and collectively to see that the foods we buy are fresh.

WHEREAS our present system of local Municipal Councils provide people with an economical and efficient form of democratic government, with consideration for and participation by the public;

AND WHEREAS the proposed Regional Government, operating on a representative population could be detrimental to our rural areas, both in character and costs;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of Ontario be requested to refrain from forcibly integrating agricultural areas with urban areas in a "Regional Government."

WHEREAS at present traffic officers on duty and highway construction workers working on public roads, are not compelled to wear luminous jackets and gauntlets;

AND WHEREAS there is a need for protection of these workers and the public after dark;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario request the various departments to make it compulsory for luminous vests, hat covers and gauntlets to be worn by traffic officers on duty; and highway and construction workers while working on public roads after dark.

#### **Northern Area**

WHEREAS at present the disposal of non-returnable bottles and cans cause an ever-increasing collection of refuse and add to pollution and is a detriment to the beauty of the countryside;

AND WHEREAS these same bottles and cans are a serious hazard to the safety of children at bathing beaches and other public areas;