



Mrs. Everett Small, right, presenting the oil painting to Mrs. Austin Zoeller as Mrs. Zoeller completes her three-year term as F.W.I.O. President. This autumn scene was painted by Miss Muriel Newton White of Haileybury.

The Gavel is Passed On

Closing the sessions of the Annual Meeting Mrs. Zoeller expressed the hope that all had gained much worthwhile information from the meeting. She welcomed the newly elected President Mrs. Harvey Noblitt saying, "It is with great sincerity and pleasure that I hand on the president's gavel and the work load of the President of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario. I can assure you that the Board of Directors will be most willing to cooperate and that the Executive will be behind you one hundred per cent. May your days ahead as President be very happy."

Accepting her responsibilities Mrs. Noblitt expressed her appreciation to Mrs. Zoeller. She said, "At the moment, it's bewildering but with your wonderful cooperation and your tolerant understanding I hope we have a wonderful three years."

Mrs. Zoeller expressed her personal thanks to Mrs. Everett Small "who has been so very, very helpful" and her grateful appreciation to Mrs. Diamond, Public Relations Officer and to Mrs. Miller, Secretary Treasurer.

On behalf of the Board of Directors Mrs. Sam Cawker expressed thanks to Mrs. Zoeller, assuring her that she would always have a place in the hearts of those with whom she had worked, to Mrs. Everett Small, to Mrs. Clarence Diamond, retiring Public Relations

Officer, to Mrs. Miller, Secretary Treasurer and to Miss McKercher Director of the Home Economics Branch.

Best wishes were extended by Mrs. Cawker to Mrs. Harvey Noblitt newly elected President and to Mrs. Harvey Houston newly elected Public Relations Officer.

Mrs. Harvey Noblitt

Born in Alberta, Mrs. Harvey Noblitt is a graduate of Alberta's Teachers' College, Edmonton. She and her husband, a mining engineer and metallurgist spent thirteen years in mining camps in Northern Ontario and Saskatchewan. In 1951 Mr. and Mrs. Noblitt moved to Ottawa and Mr. Noblitt is now with the Bureau of Mines and Technical Surveys.

Mr. and Mrs. Noblitt have travelled extensively in connection with his mining occupation, in the United States, the British Isles and Europe. They now live near Ottawa. Mrs. Noblitt is involved in church and community activities and enjoys caring for a lovely garden. The Noblitts have one daughter, Shirley.