

Discussion Group Leaders, back row from left: Mrs. J. Hermansen, Mrs. J. Rumble, Mrs. E. Emke, Mrs. S. Anderson, Mrs. G. Mallion, Mrs. P. Clarke, Mrs. R. Johnson, Mrs. E. Ellenor, Mrs. C. Lunn, Mrs. G. Durnford, Mrs. G. Gow. Front row from left: Mrs. O. Bell, Mrs. R. Alexander, Mrs. C. Strike, Mrs. C. Wallace, Mrs. Robert Weber—Conference Secretary, Mrs. W. Miller, Mrs. C. Carmichael, Mrs. J. Sparling, Mrs. S. Bird, Mrs. E. Urstadt.



The Twenty

The opening day of the 25th Anniversary of the Annual Officers' Conference for Women's Institute members gave the delegates an opportunity to visit the historic Erland Lee Home at Stoney Creek. Over 600 women were taken by bus (through the rain) from Waterloo University to visit the recently acquired and renovated Home. They were greeted by Mrs. Austin S. Zoeller the F.W.I.O. chairman of the Home Committee and Mrs. Wayne Coombs acting hostess. Miss Marjorie Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erland Lee, met the visitors in the afternoon and gave interesting information about her former home.

Members of the Helena Feasby, New Dundee, Haysville and New Hamburg Branches assisted with the bussing arrangements.

Touring the Home, delegates were shown the original section built in 1801 and now being renovated to serve as an apartment for the hostess. In the pioneer kitchen, the gunstock chairs, pine cupboard, harvest table, an arrow back Boston rocker, a display of ironware and other household items were to be seen.

In one room the Misses Lottie and Hattie Jones of the Saltfleet Branch displayed some of their charming collection of antique glass. Hostesses in the various rooms were members of the Saltfleet and Stoney Creek Branches.

Mrs. Harvey Noblitt, President, was chairman for the formal sessions of the twenty-fifth Conference for Officers' of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario held at the University of Waterloo on May 1, 2, and 3. She welcomed the delegates who had come from all over Ontario and expressed the hope that they would find the coming sessions interesting and educational.

GREETINGS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO

University President Dr. B. C. Mathews, presented a special welcome for the delegates. He said, "The Women's Institute has a long history of service to the community and Ontario is a better place for it."

Dr. Mathews explained that Waterloo University was established in 1958 and now has about 13 000 students. It has now about 2 500 undergraduate students in Engineering, 2 200 in Mathematics, 2 000 in Science, 2 000 in Arts, etc., and offers the only course in Optometry available in Canada.

The delegates were told that there are 2 300 beds in the Village 11 residence where they were housed, that there are 1 100 acres in the campus and that the ducks which were flying around in such a carefree manner had now become a symbol of the university.