

Banquet speaker, The Hon. Wm. A. Stewart, Mrs. Stewart, and Mrs. H. L. Noblitt, F.W.I.O. President, with "Interest Group Leaders" Miss Donna Hepburn, Needlepoint, Miss Molly McGhee, Associate Principal (Home Economics) Centralia College, effective speaking, and Mrs. R. G. Marshall, A.T.C.M., choral singing.

## MISS HELEN McKERCHER

Miss McKercher. Director, brought greetings from the Home Economics Branch of the Ministry of Agriculture and Food.

Miss McKercher said, "Each year it is a pleasure to bring greetings to the girls attending this Conference. We look forward to this week as it is one of the highlights of our Home Economics Branch Program. I personally congratulate each girl here since you have been specially chosen, because of your achievements, to represent your club, to come to this Conference.

I am interested in your theme, "Horizons '73". 1973 is going fast; already we can look back to see what '73 has brought us. But we can also look forward to see what '73 might still have for us. There will be changes. I quote, "Every change impinges on you personally

The smart move is to stay alert and adjust to meet it

Pretending the world never moves is a fool's game The changes come anyway".

We hope that this Conference will help you manage changes in your life more easily.

Commenting on changes now taking place, Miss McKercher said that there seems to be a trend toward more individuality, people wanting to do things their own way. She cited gourmet cooking, creative stitchery. A search for security is being replaced by a search for meaningful work.

## THE BANQUET

Guest speaker for the Thursday evening banquet was the Honourable William A. Stewart, Minister of Agriculture and Food. Mr. Stewart said that he was always impressed with the activities undertaken by young people along with their school work and congratulated the girls for having achieved the qualifications necessary to attend the Conference.

"One of the most valuable things that you will get from this Conference will be the opportunity to meet new people and become friends with girls you haven't met before." the Minister said.

Mr. Stewart referred to Adelaide Hoodless telling the girls that Mrs. Hoodless saw the need for training girls in Home Economics and helped to establish educational facilities for that purpose.

"Go back to your home communities," Mr. Stewart urged, "and put into practice some of the things you have learned here."

Mrs. Harvey Noblitt, President of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario, was a special guest at the banquet and when bringing greetings assured the 4-H Homemaking Club members of the strong and continued support from the Ontario Women's Institutes for the Club work.

Save Sight With A.C.W.W.

Mrs. Kaye Turnbull recently returned from a visit to the Nutritional Rehabilitation Centre in Madurai, Southern India. A.C.W.W. has a pilot Project to combat Child Blindness caused by malnutrition. The resolution on National Blindness was originally accepted at the Oslo Conference as a project. A Conference has been arranged in Madurai for paediatritions from different States of India, to encourage them to star similar Centres. We are at the midway point in the A.C.W.W. Triennium. Support is still needed for Save Sight.



Ceremony in Keelady Village, India, handing over 8 seater Standard Van. Shown at right — Dr. Venkataswamy, (responsible for preparing a massive Nutrition Plan for pre school children for a Five Year Period) and Mrs. Kaye Turnbull, (Honorary Secretary) A.C.W.W.