

CITIZENSHIP AND WORLD AFFAIRS

Mrs. John Hermansen, Convener



Citizenship was well-covered in all reports, but World Affairs was lacking in a number of them. A number of Conveners reported Branches did not seem to know what to study in this, so I ask you to refer to the "Home and Country" Winter 1973, for suggested topics. United Nations and A.C.W.W. were only partly covered and it is suggested more study

another year. **Roll Calls and Mottoes** were much improved and in co-ordination with the topic of the meeting.

CITIZENSHIP

Roll Call —

If you were faced with racial problems what would you do about it?

Name one of Canada's Prime Ministers and tell an interesting fact about his term in office — e.g. Pearson — our Canadian flag; Diefenbaker — the Canadian Bill of Rights.

Mottoes —

Home is the anchor for our nation's life;
The Canada we enjoy was not brought to Nationhood by timid citizens;
Our heritage of freedom.

WORLD AFFAIRS

Roll Calls —

Name a way that the Atomic Age is changing our lives.

Show a foreign coin and tell something about it. (Each member told of the coin's value within the specific monetary system of the country.)

Mottoes —

Human beings are tied together by ideas and feelings, not geography;
A man's feet should be planted in his country, but his eyes should survey the world;
There will be peace only when every child has his fill.

Programs —

Programs were presented in various ways involving thought and much planning. There were quizzes (this was used successfully in a program on Capitals of the World); skits; slides; panels; debates (one Branch reported having a splendid debate on "Should 18 year olds have the vote" — Result, NO.); tapes; maps; exhibits of all sorts; music and poetry; posters; speakers and flags (one convener reported a most successful program on the origin and many uses of flags; appointment of Ontario's first woman minister in the government; Law and the woman in Ontario; capital punishment; Northern Canada and the Eskimo — his home life, education and artistic culture; place of Royalty in the world today.

In summing up, what we do, what we are, what we make of ourselves decides not only the quality of our own life, but that of those around us. If we develop our talents, our capacity to use and enjoy the many opportunities for growth within our reach, our family, our environment will catch fire from us. How you use today will determine how tomorrow uses you.



Guests at the Minister's Dinner given in honour of FWIO are (L-R) Mr. A. G. Bennett, Director of Extension Branch, and Mrs. Bennett; Mr. T. R. Hilliard, Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Food, and Mrs. Hilliard; Miss Helen McKercher, Director, Home Economics Branch; Mr. K. E. Lantz, Assistant Deputy Minister, and Mrs. Lantz; and Mrs. Harvey Noblitt, FWIO President.

TWEEDSMUIR HISTORIES

Mrs. R. C. Walker, Curator

Unfortunately again we have difficulty in recording the true number of Tweedsmuir Histories per Area. District Curators record all Branches as reporting but neither say how many Branches nor number of Tweedsmuir Histories or Community Record Books. Let's hope we may get this clear some day!

Another year of working with the Tweedsmuir History Curators across the Province has proved interesting, informative and inspirational. These dedicated women, with their committees, are trying to do their best to preserve local community history for posterity, and all are to be highly commended. However, we still have some Branches who apparently are not interested enough in their communities to preserve the stories about it. Our true Canadian apathy still shows up.

It is rather discouraging to find so few want to share their Book with the community by having small Tweedsmuir Teas. After all this is one sure way of letting the individual persons, or families, know our hopes, our dreams and our requirements to make these books completely cover our community life and work through the years.

Many are closing their present larger volumes, having them microfilmed, then setting up smaller books to carry on the recording. See Page 8 in the revised Manual. This has always been the case — but some still insist they have a "regulation book". The curator and her committee choose the size and shape most universal and satisfactory for the folk in their community who are or might be working on the Tweedsmuir History.

When the 1962 Green Manuals were no longer available, Miss McKercher requested and had printed a newly revised Yellow Manual. There is only one for each Branch. These are given out at the Tweedsmuir History Workshops or being mailed to curators as time permits. Each curator must pass this on to her successor along with all other material and the Tweedsmuir History Book.

We are deeply indebted to Miss McKercher, the