# You Have Been Asking

## ACWW CONTRIBUTING MEMBERS

A new policy for contributing membership is announced by ACWW. Payment of contributing membership dues will be March 1, 1974, and each March thereafter, but Members whose subscriptions have been received in the last quarter of the financial year (ACWW's financial year ends in March) will not be liable for payment again until March 1975.

## **FWIO WINNERS**

The winning entries from Ontario have been sent on to their destinations for judging in the ACWW competitions. Announcement of final winners will be made at the conference in Perth, Australia.

Handicraft Competition — Souvenirs. Fifteen winning entries were received from Area Conventions.

(1) Mrs. S. Suter, 508 Wilbert St.,

Pembroke (Almonte W.I.)

(2) Mrs. Stuart Cumin, RR 1, Paris (Blue Lake and Auburn W.I.)

(3) Mrs. Betty Baker, Cobourg (Elmview W.I.)

Handicraft Competition — Wall Hangings. Fourteen winning entries were received from Area Conventions.

(1) Mrs. Neysa Clark,

Smithfield (York Road W.I.)

(2) Mrs. R. Danby,

White Lake (White Lake W.I.)

(3) Mrs. Sharon Agla,

RR 1, Fordwich (Fordwich W.I.)

The above two classes were judged by Mrs. Layne Paton and Miss Irene Koyama, graduates of the Ontario College of Art and specialists in Crafts in the Home Economics Branch.

Eleven winning paintings using the theme "Meal Time" were received from Area Conventions and these were judged by Mrs. F. I. Smith, graduate of Ontario College of Art, a professional painter and former staff member.

(1) Mrs. Mabel Grundtisch,

18 Phipps St., Fort Erie (Peace Bridge W.I.)

(2) Mrs. V. A. Esser,

485 Thorold Rd. W., Welland (Welland City W.I.)

(3) Mrs. Evelyn Stickles,

RR 3, Waterford (Tyrrell W.I.)

Twenty essays "Folks Customs or Festivals" were received by FWIO and judged by Dr. Ethel Chapman.

(1) Mrs. Joseph Wismer Sr.,

Jordon Station (Union W.I.)

(2) Mrs. Laura A. Brown,

10 Cameron St. N., Kitchener (Centreville)

### **FELLOWSHIP**

FWIO President, Mrs. H. Noblitt, was proposed as

a candidate for this Fellowship.

The Grace E. Frysinger International Fellowship is a dedication to the furtherance of greater understanding between women of all countries, and is a tribute to the inspiring vision of Grace E. Frysinger, National Vice-President of the Women's National Farm and Garden Association. The Fellowship comprises a United States candidate's visit to rural and urban homes in a selected country (Canada has been chosen for 1975) and an exchange awardee from the selected country will receive reciprocal experience in the U.S. There is no expense for the Canadian awardee.

#### ACWW PENNIES FOR FRIENDSHIP

What should the Branch do with the pennies collected at branch meetings during the year?

Does the Branch Secretary Treasurer send them to the District Secretary Treasurer and in turn the District send them on to the FWIO office?

Does the Branch Secretary Treasurer send them in directly to the FWIO office?

There is no definite policy established by the Federated Women's Institute of Ontario. It is optional how Pennies are handled; whether they are sent by the Branch Secretary Treasurer to FWIO or sent by the Branch Secretary Treasurer to the District Secretary Treasurer. Whichever method meets with the approval of your members is acceptable to FWIO.

However, from the administrative point of view, it is better that FWIO office should receive 114 donations through Districts rather than 1,300 donations

from the Branches.

In addition, the District Annual can provide an opportunity to promote the work of ACWW with special emphasis on the presentation of the Pennies. A small ceremony can stress the importance of Pennies, or telling the story of Mrs. Drage's dream, a song, a skit, whatever you may choose to make the meaning of Pennies for Friendship more real.

## IMMIGRATION POLICY Mrs. H. Noblitt

Ontario Women's Institute members were asked their opinions regarding the proposed immigration

policy for Canada.

Approximately 400 members were contacted and the following summation of members' ideas was submitted by FWIO President, Mrs. H. Noblitt, to the Hon. Robert Andras, Minister of Immigration, Ottawa.

1. That the present immigration laws be strictly enforced.

2. That immigration to Canada be unsolicited except in unusual cases. It seems reasonable to presume that if people come to this country to escape conditions they find intolerable in their own country, they are likely to cherish and accept happily the changes they find necessary to adjust to here.

3. That immigrants should be accepted on a quota basis such as is used in U.S. Our country, we feel, considering its own birthrate, can very easily become over

populated if care is not exercised.

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