

cooking, sewing, and taking part in agricultural clubs.

Urban folks who move to the country are romantics who wish to have park lands and avoid the noise of machinery. Their vision of rural Ontario is the old wooden barn and broken down wagon wheel as decorative scenery and most of all they show contempt for the farm odours. These folk make it tough for the farmer and are really a problem to the industry.

Dr. Hawden conceded that the family farm as we know it today might change and become non-existent. The farmer is an intelligent individual capable of being the businessman and scientist and yet he wouldn't hesitate to keep the cow in his herd whose production lost him money, simply because he rationalized "she had a bad year."

Dr. Hawden urged that farmers unite. Unless they do just that, they might suffer, if the Hog, Dairy, Corn and all the other producers would recognize they have common needs and not be fragmented. Rural Ontario is not where the power is, so it is doubly important that all groups work together. Otherwise the farm group will be dominated by the urban group. The value of this 4-H Conference is that it cuts across the lines and gets you to see what you have in common.

Challenge of Shaping Your Life

Mrs. M. B. Bristow, Regional Supervisor spoke to the girls and threw out a challenge, the qualities needed to shape your life, how to develop your talents, what does success mean in a lifetime? The importance of living a full and meaningful life, where are your priorities and how can you make the most of you.

Discussion groups were held on the lawn and in turn when the groups reassembled a reporter from each group presented the group ideas. The girls presented their findings with such poise, ease of delivery and the effectiveness which was a credit to the whole conference. Among the many fine reports was one from Brenda Trask, Wellington County, "Living is an art and to really live, one must not be afraid to speak up, try new ideas and be considerate of others."



Discussion group under clear blue skies.

Miss D. Hepburn, Regional Supervisor, chaired this session and introduced Dr. R. E. Vosburgh, acting dean of the College of Family and Consumer Studies. The delegates toured Macdonald Institute.

Banquet

This was the highlight of the Conference, mainly because the delegates said farewell to Miss Jean Scott who is retiring. The delegates showed their warm affection toward her by presenting her with a lovely bouquet of red roses and the presentation of a scroll on behalf of the Conference. Miss Helen Mc Kercher, Director of the Home Economics Branch as well as Mr. K. E. Lantz, Assistant Deputy Minister, O.M.A.F. both extended thanks and good wishes.



Flowers for their friend. Lynn Dee Nuttall, Algoma; Miss Jean Scott Supervisor Junior Extension; Pat Raaflaub, Parry Sound.

Mr. Robt. Eaton, MPP and Parliamentary Assistant to the Hon. Wm. A. Stewart, Minister of Agriculture and Food spoke to the girls during the banquet. "You have set the goal of completion through your 4-H projects but most important you have accepted this responsibility out of choice." Mr. Eaton continued to say, "Do not rule out the challenging career of Agriculture." There are opportunities in fields hardly touched in the past. There will be need for people with new skills to meet the challenge of increasing the food supply.

Mrs. Wm. G. Miller, Secretary Treasurer of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario brought greetings. Mrs. Miller said it was one of the greatest rewards to the Branch members to sponsor 4-H Home-making Clubs.



Middlesex girls with Mr. Robt. Eaton MPP, Parliamentary Assistant to the Hon. Wm. A. Stewart. L-r. Debra Hall, Sharon Wood, Kathi Rudi, Mrs. B. Obokata, Home Economist, Mr. Eaton, Lia Gooyers, Janice Bryant, Marlene Down, Joan Roberts, Rita Van Burgsteden.