

Mrs. L. R. Trivers, Past President of FWIO, holds bouquet presented to her at the testimonial dinner. Presentation of O.A.C. Medal by Dean Switzer. Photo Sault Daily Star.

MRS. L. R. TRIVERS

Mrs. Leonard Trivers (nee Mary Ableson) was born in Algoma. She taught school, and then, in 1938, married Leonard Trivers. In 1939 they began farming in Kynock, and Mrs. Trivers joined the Victoria Women's Institute. The family moved to a farm near Thessalon in 1945, and she transferred to the Royal branch. In 1948 when the Queen Elizabeth Women's Institute was organized in her community, she became a Charter Member, and Life Member.

Mrs. Trivers has been actively involved in various levels of the women's institute organization. She was elected a provincial board director in 1959, and in 1963 was elected president of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario, serving until 1965. She headed the Ontario delegation to the Conference of the Associated Country Women of the World in Ireland in 1965. She served as second vice-president on the national board of the F.W.I.C. until 1973, retiring from office because of her husband's health.

The Trivers family have a close association with the Ontario Agricultural College and University of Guelph. The father, Leonard Trivers, entered the O.A.C. in 1935 but, after one year, returned home because of his father's death. There are seven children, four sons and three daughters. Three sons received degrees at the University of Guelph, and a daughter began studies this fall.

It is fitting that Mrs. Leonard Trivers be awarded an O.A.C Centennial Medal for her contributions to rural life through the women's institute and as a homemaker in northern Ontario.



Mrs. J. R. Futcher, Past President of FWIO, displays her O.A.C. Medal immediately after presentation by Dr. C. L. Switzer, at London Area Convention.

MRS. J. R. FUTCHER

Mrs. J. Robinson (Dorothy) Futcher was born in St. Thomas. She taught school and then married a dairy and cash crop farmer. They have two daughters, one of whom graduated from Macdonald Institute, and two sons, one of whom is an Associate Diploma graduate of the Ontario Agricultural College.

She joined the Middlemarch Women's Institute and served as President; later she was President of Elgin West District. She was elected to the Provincial Board, and became Provincial President in 1947. She led the Ontario delegation to the Associated Country Women of the World Conference in Copenhagen in 1950, and was Program and Hospitality Committee Chairman at the 1953 A.C.W.W. Conference in Toronto. She was awarded a Federated Women's Institute of Canada Life Membership for her efforts.

She has served as a Director of the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair. She assisted with the Tweedsmuir History of Elgin County, and spearheaded the establishment of the Elgin County Museum, opened in May, 1957. Her weekly column, Museum News, in the St. Thomas Times Journal, is widely read.

From 1956 to 1970 she was a Member of the Archaeological and Historic Sites Board of Ontario.

In 1955 she was appointed to the Advisory Committee for the Macdonald Institute, and later, became a Member of the Advisory Board for Conjoint Administration of the three Colleges.

It is fitting that Dorothy Futcher be awarded an O.A.C. Centennial Medal for her contributions to rural cultural developments in her community, and provincially, nationally and internationally, and for her services to the educational programs of Macdonald Institute and the Ontario Agricultural College.