

Districts, Wentworth South, Peel North District Annual, and members from Peterborough District. The National Farmers Union will host her in Northumberland County and then Mrs. Rockwell will briefly visit Ottawa before leaving for Quebec.

The Adelaide Hoodless Rose is available from Aubin Nurseries Ltd., Carmen, Manitoba — price \$4.95.

INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

Mrs. Chas. Fetterley reported that ACWW acknowledged receipt of the two cheques sent since the last meeting, \$2000.00 each for the Lady Aberdeen Scholarship and the South African Union of Homemakers. To date the Homemakers Club organizer has not been named. The committee recommended and the Board accepted that no further donations be made from the International Scholarship Fund until it is reviewed next Fall.

GRADUATION PARTY

The retiring Board Directors, Mrs. Shirley Bird, Mrs. Norman Tuck, Mrs. Peter Timmins, Mrs. Calvin Carmichael, Mrs. Gordon Gow, Mrs. Sam Koski, Mrs. Austin Rumble and Mrs. Philip Rushbrook entertained the Provincial Board and Executive. Mrs. Weber, Officers' Conference Secretary and Mrs. Zoeller, Editor of Home and Country were also included. Original skits, songs and resolutions were presented. The metric measure was used in a unique fashion, when all were measured and a fee charged, the result — \$62.50 was presented to Mrs. Maluske and Mrs. Zoeller for the Erland Lee Home. The retiring group will be missed, and a special thanks for their fine contribution while on the Board.

PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

Mrs. Harvey Houston has mailed 197 pieces of mail, which include 136 printers proofs for the news media. The press coverage is encouraging.

Reports and outlines were sent to the Area PROs. The PRO display has been taken to meetings. Mrs. Houston has attended Officers' Conference and International Women's Year meetings. Thanks was conveyed to the Board Directors for their assistance.

ROYAL WINTER FAIR

A committee is to be responsible for setting up an area for the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario at the Royal Winter Fair. This space is to serve as a rest area where WI members will be available to chat with the public. It is expected that chairs will be available for the use of the "weary" who would like to rest and chat.

Miss Helen McKercher

The Home Economics Branch needs your support and assistance in letting your friends and neighbours know what the Branch has to offer.

The Nutrition Workshops have been given in almost all of the 114 Districts. As a follow-up to help you use your new nutritional know-how, the food specialists have prepared a food forum called "More About Nutrition . . . And Family Meals."

We need your help in reaching homemakers in your communities — one of the most important groups to involve is mothers with young children.

These women need the best information they can get and these days it is important for all of us to know how to make the best use of our food dollar.

There are three training schools, Salute To Vegetables, Personalize Your Pattern, and Needlepoint For Beginners. We try to offer projects to meet the interests and needs of rural women and girls.

Sixty Training Schools were held. 8,355 women were reached through the schools, as the leaders in turn taught women locally. 195 Short Courses and Workshops were held with an attendance of 1,924, as well as, 27 Food Forums attended by 2,446.

167 women participated in a 6 day tailoring course. The Loan Library processed 1,341 requests for programme material and information kits.

There were 2,999 4-H Homemaking Clubs with a membership of 26,314. 5,777 volunteers attended 329 Leaders' Training Schools. In 1974-75 the Ministry of Agriculture and Food made grants of \$5,022. to Areas and Districts and \$1,101. for travelling expenses to northern delegates.

In capsule form, this tells about some of the programmes provided by Home Economics.

THE ERLAND LEE HOME

Mrs. Austin Zoeller, Chairman

Yes, can you believe it, at 53 feet we have a flow of 1200 gallons of water per hour!

We've applied for permission to build a holding tank and wash rooms and as soon as Regional Government grants this we are prepared to start.

The proposed plan for renovations to the Home have been completed. The rooms have been wallpapered in period style, the floors sanded, and the upstairs bathroom taken out.

The stair-well has been moved 18 inches back to its original position and the door way from the hall into the west bedroom moved to coincide with the original structure. The upstairs hallway is now much more pretentious and looks especially nice.

As was common in many of the old houses, a bedroom door opened into another bedroom, this is the way it is now in two of the bedrooms.

The false ceiling has been removed in the downstairs front hall, back to its original height, and it does present the "old look".

A little room between the two kitchens has been cleaned out and plywood put on the walls. This space will be utilized to display some of the kitchen gadgets and other appropriate articles. The washer and dryer have now been moved into the laundry room of the apartment and a new cupboard built in the kitchen in place of the washer. Arborite has replaced the old covering on the kitchen counter and a sink replaces the old one.

All in all, thanks to all the fine donations from the branches, the Erland Lee Home is taking on a beautiful look and is beginning to have the feeling of an old period Home.

The Committee are expecting many busloads to visit the Home this summer. There are really so many changes, try to take a trip to Stoney Creek.