

Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario Annual Meeting Provincial Board of Directors

Mrs. Harvey Houston — Public Relations Officer

Meetings of the Executive, Board Directors, and special committees were held at the Lord Simcoe Hotel, Toronto, during the week of November 24, 1975. Newly elected Board Directors representing the following Subdivisions: 3 — Mrs. Albert Hampel; 8 — Mrs. Orval Jordan; 13 — Mrs. Donald Jacobs; 14 — Mrs. Donald Hennessy; 21 — Mrs. Emerson Stanley; 22 — Mrs. Keith Hiepleh; 32 — Mrs. Gerald Brown; Junior — Miss June Alton. Alternates attending: Sub-division 4, Mrs. W. B. Steacy; 28 — Mrs. Allan Ryan.



Back row l — r Mr. A. G. Bennett, Director, Extension Branch; Miss Helen McKercher, Director, Home Economics Branch; Mr. Gordon Bennett, Deputy Minister; Mr. K. E. Lantz, Assistant Deputy Minister; Mrs. Russell Campbell, Officers' Conference Secretary Treasurer; Mrs. Harvey Houston, PRO. Seated l — r Mrs. Earl Morden, FWIO Secretary Treasurer; Mrs. Herb Maluske, FWIO President; Mrs. Harvey Noblitt, Past President.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mrs. Maluske expressed appreciation to Miss McKercher, the FWIO Executive, Board Directors and "all who made my first year as president a truly memorable time."

In addition to all the regular Presidential duties it was a pleasure to welcome the President of FWIC, Mrs. John McLean, to Officers Conference and Mrs. Parker Rockwell, the recipient of the Grace Frysinger Fellowship exchange, to Ontario. On behalf of FWIO and personally Mrs. Maluske expressed a sincere "thank you to everyone in Ontario who hosted, entertained and chauffeured Mrs. Rockwell during her tour in our province. A special thanks to Mrs. Zoeller for arranging the itinerary; we are truly grateful for each one's interest and concern. It is indeed heartwarming to know that WI members can always be depended upon to perform their duties obligingly and hospitably."

As a guest of the Home Economics Branch, greetings were extended on behalf of FWIO at the 4-H Homemaking Club Leaders' Breakfast.

She expressed the hope that all would leave the Board meeting with rekindled energies toward the work of Women's Institutes at all levels.

SECRETARY TREASURER'S REPORT

Mrs. Earl Morden

FWIO Membership

Number of Branches	1,278
Number of Members	30,544
Number of Life Members	2,802

A report of the first year in office reveals the correspondence and administrative duties have been completed.

Investments were handled through the Toronto Dominion Bank and all money invested or re-invested when necessary.

A full financial statement was prepared in co-operation with the officially appointed auditors and a complete breakdown of the finances distributed to all Board Directors.

Minutes were prepared and distributed from all Committee meetings and as Chairman of the Secretary Treasurers' Discussion group at Officers' Conference material was prepared for use of the six assistants.

It was a pleasure to attend the official opening at the main Administration building at the Ontario Agricultural Museum, the Junior Women's Institute annual meeting, and the presentation of World Championship Trophies and buffet luncheon at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair.

On behalf of FWIO a letter of appreciation was written to Wm. A. Stewart, retiring Minister and a welcome to the Hon. Wm. Newman, newly appointed Minister of Agriculture and Food.

JUNIOR WOMEN'S INSTITUTES

Membership

Mrs. Wm. Jackson reported there are 129 active members in Lucknow; North Grey; Elm (Stormont); Jean Scott (Guelph); Niagara District; Peel County; Wainfleet and Norval.



The Hon. Mr. Newman shakes hands with Mrs. Wm. Jackson, Junior Board Director. Looking on are Miss June Alton, also a Junior Board Director, Mrs. Graham Chambers and Mrs. Newman.

Meetings

The Spring meeting at Snelgrove Community Hall included presentations on barbecuing, landscape gardening by Mr. McNeil and demonstrations of hanging plant holders by Jere Brown and Amy Young. Margaret J. Black, a lawyer, spoke on women's rights, prop-