

At conclusion of speech Mrs. Hacket-Pain presented scroll to the Women's Institute of Ontario accepted by Mrs. Maluske.



MRS. L. HACKET-PAIN

Honourary Treasurer of ACWW, Mrs. Lyndsay Hacket-Pain guest of FWIO was the speaker, adding charm and warmth to a "very special day" for Ontario Members.

Mrs. Hacket-Pain said, three special events come to mind in 1977, the Queen's Jubilee, Sussex Golden Jubilee and Ontario's 80th. With these unique milestones it is appropriate to borrow the phrase.

Look up, not down

Forward, not back

Out, not in.

Mrs. Hacket-Pain a native of Scotland resides in HOVE East Sussex, England, and is a member of Bishopstone WI. A member of the Institute of Bankers of Scotland, she has worked as an investment statistician with a Trust Company and a financial Director of an Engineering firm. As ACWW's honorary treasurer she is well qualified to hold this important position. It should be noted "Honourary" as we think of it usually is a special status not associated with too much work but we were made aware that in ACWW, Honourary Treasurer means carrying the work load of that office.

There is much for Women's Institutes to do to-day, such as using all in our power to do good, accept responsibility, hold steadfast in restoring standards of behaviour back into society, being persuasive toward influencing a sense of responsibility and accepting opportunities.

A challenge faces WI's to-day in giving thoughtful consideration toward new thinking, new planning, amidst the dwindling economy of the day. We face situations now toward the trend of working mothers, equality of opportunity, sex discrimination, advocacy of equality, and freedom of choice so all who wish to compete at whatever level may do so. These are present day situations we find ourselves faced with, and it becomes increasingly important that we look forward to change, not for changes sake but for the good of the community.

Mrs. Hacket-Pain praised the Ontario WI's for their support of Pennies for Friendship. Going back to Mrs. Godfrey Drage's day, when she dreamed of coins cascading from heaven as a sign every member of ACWW would give every year the smallest coin as a personal contribution toward uniting our common aims. In 1948 ACWW collected \$2000.00 in 1958 \$20,000.00 doubled in 1968 and in 1977 \$120,000.00.

Ontario contributed \$18,000.00. Some of the Pen-

nies are used to run the central office, partial support of a voluntary member to the UN, extension work, etc. ACWW will continue to grow as Pennies grow.

Finances dwindle into insignificance when one becomes aware that this organization strives to unite those from different backgrounds, culture and life styles. More unites than divides.

WI's have a reputation for helpfulness. "Take on just one more job," you will find it brings reward to giver and receiver. What more can we do, how further can we help—become contributing and life members.

During the last 5½ years, \$160,000.00 has been contributed to the Save Sight project. Half has been spent in Africa, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Brazil, while in Madurai, South India there has been great support for small children with vitamin A deficiency. Treatment centres were set up in the villages and now the Indian Government is using this scheme as a prototype for other communities.

Income from the Lady Aberdeen Scholarship Fund is used to train women in many countries in short term scholarships. Areas such as South Africa, Kenya, Spain were cited as examples.

The triennial Conference for ACWW members will be held in October in Nairobi, Kenya with the theme "Building For To-morrow". This will be the first women's Conference in Africa, with the two African Societies joining together for the first time to work side by side on the same committees.



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