

Entertainment

Mrs. Archie Armour, Thamesville had an outstanding display in the foyer of Bingeman's, a public relations display providing ideas for meetings. Mrs. Hugh Baird and Mrs. Wm. Stone, Sunderland, added that extra touch of musical leadership. While Mrs. Marianne Trifunovich, Fergus shared her talented operatic soprano singing voice with a wide variety of songs, accompanied by Mrs. Mary-Louise Vosburgh.



What a beautiful voice! Mrs. Marianne Trifunovich, Fergus.

The Hon. Wm. G. Newman, Minister of Agriculture and Food, sent regrets and best wishes for the future success of Women's Institute. Mr. Newman was attending a Conference and unable to be present.

Miss Molly McGhee, Director Home Economics Branch was unable to attend. She was on vacation, however, she expressed regrets in a letter and wished the Women's Institutes great success in their future activities.

Regrets were read by the FWIO Secretary Treasurer Mrs. Earl Morden, from Mrs. J. R. Fitcher, Mrs. R. G. Purcell, Mrs. Graham Spry, Mrs. Guy Skinner, Mrs. Della Fletcher, Dr. Janet Wardlaw, and good wishes from various societies in Great Britain.

Margaret Woof

Supervisor of Junior Extension extended greetings on behalf of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food and the Home Economics Branch. Home Economics and Women's Institute have mutually benefited through their long association. The Branch has prepared programmes and thousands of Women's Institute members and 4-H girls have participated. On this the 80th, it really is a time to celebrate, visit old friends, reflect past achievements on ideas developed by Mrs. Hoodless. It is a time to reflect on the leadership of Past Presidents and Executives down through to Branch level.

Mrs. Joseph Bielish, Alberta, President of FWIC, paid tribute to Adelaide Hoodless and the founding members. Because of an idea an organization was formed which was to extend beyond Ontario into all Provinces and around the world. We in FWIC are thankful for this idea and continue to look to Ontario for strength of leadership.



Birthday cake symbolic of the 80 years since Women's Institutes were organized. At base of cake, Adelaide Hoodless and Erlend Lee sit at Constitution table.

Daughter of First President

Mrs. Gordon Conant, daughter of Mrs. E. D. Smith and Mrs. Maluske cut the birthday cake during the celebration of the 80th anniversary since the founding of the first Woman's Institute in Ontario at Bingeman Park, Kitchener, before approximately 1300 members and friends.

Mrs. Conant said "I'm here to represent my Mother and that wonderful executive, which helped her, by driving up and down the side roads in a sleigh, sleigh bells jingling, seeking out the wives of farmers, asking, will we form an Institute?"

"All those heroic women would be strumming hearts and harps and making music if they could be here to-day." There is still much to do for women in the world, but my wish for the future is you continue to "go great guns". Go abroad, tell advantages of WI, the work will never fade.



L-R Mrs. J. Bielish FWIC President, Mrs. Gordon Conant, daughter of first President of Stoney Creek; Mrs. L. Hackett-Pain; Mrs. James Bell, Coldwater, Life member FWIO.