# A Glance At The Branches

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT STILL NEEDED

Back in 1897 Mrs. Hoodless was concerned about the health of the family. 80 years later the members of Mosa Womens Institute in Middlesex West District are carrying on that same tradition of caring and meeting the needs of people in the community.

Responding to a need, for a \$500.00 hydraulic adjustable examination chair for the ophthalmology department at the local Four Counties General Hospital the members of Mosa decided to raise money for this purpose.

During the past two years the members have had fund raising drives through bake sales, bazaars and sale of quilts. As well as the drive for special funds, the members donate gifts each year to the children hospitalized at Christmas.

Hospital Administrator Mr. A. Maisch stated "that these types of contributions are what makes a successful small hospital able to function well. It is through the efforts of volunteer groups that much specialized equipment was paid for."



L—Accountant K. Abbott accepts cheque from President centre Mrs. Nora Hagerty, Mosa WI—Middlesex W for the hydraulic adjustable examination chair. The other two members Mrs. Jessie Brown and Mrs. Lawrence Squire.



Elgin County Rally members heard Mrs. Victor Beachin, hostess Erland Lee Home tell about the activities during the year at the Home. L-R Mrs. I. L. MacAdam; Mrs. Beachin; Mrs. Keith Hiepleh, FWIO Board Director.

#### GRANT FOR BOOK

Chesterville Women's Institute, Dundas District receive a federal grant to assist with the publication of a book "The Time That Was".

A grant of \$5,330 has been awarded to the Heri-

tage Committee of the Chesterville WI.

In addition of the publication of the book on the history of Chesterville and District, the heritage committee will be touring area schools telling stories and informing children about various aspects of their local history.

The publication of the book will be of significant interest to anyone interested in tracing the evolution of schools, sports, industries or other events of histori-

cal significance originating in the area.

The work has become a community affair. At present more than 50 persons have contributed material, and artists have provided original introductions to various chapters.

### FORMER PROVINCIAL PRESIDENT GUEST SPEAKER

Greetings were extended by Mrs. F. Wellman Provincial Board Director to Melrose WI on their 75th Anniversary. An historical booklet was on sale to mark the special occasion.

The guest speaker, Mrs. Clarence Holmes spole on "Happiness" as one of the greatest gifts we have to give, the simple gift of a kind word of encouragement, a compliment, a letter or telephone call will add zo a to our own lives as well as others. Tolerance and understanding add to other's happiness.

Skits and entertainment by the Tyendinaga S nior Citizens was enjoyed by the members and guest



Melrose WI, Hastings E. District, celebrate 75th birthday. (C) Mrs. Roy Badgley former Area Chairman and oldest life member cuts cake assisted by (L) Mrs. Clarence Holmes, former FWIO President and (R) Mrs. Charles Bates, Branch President.

#### Fiftieth

Lakefield WI, Peterborough District celebrated the 50th anniversary. Mrs. F. Allison, President and Mrs. C. Foster, Charter member assisted in making the event most enjoyable for the members, past presidents, secretaries and Junior WI members.