

70,000 persons in Ontario. The Home Economics Branch received 17,000 consumer enquiries and reached 96,000 through publications, media, tapes and TV.

Although both staff and outreach has increased, history does tend to repeat. Laura Rose Stephens' first course was on bread making. This year the Spotlight on Bread course was very successful, just emphasizing that trends are similar.

Both the Home Economics Branch and FWIO are working to disseminate information to communities with the WI providing 5000 leaders and \$24,000.00 to support 4H Homemaking clubs.

Miss McGhee concluded that the Home Economics Branch looks forward to working with the WI and having their continued support in years to come.

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

The Hon. Wm. Newman, left a busy schedule to come to Waterloo to extend greetings to the delegates.

He said he was proud of the Women's Institute, knowing they are the backbone of Agricultural life in the Province. His own 89 year old mother has been a long time member and feels there is no other organization quite like it. Under the auspices of the WI the rural women learned skills and have made farm homes the strongest social unit in the Province.

WI's have provided thousands of leaders and sponsorship of clubs and have invested in the future by providing a valuable resource to the young people.

We all should be proud to be a Canadian and Ontarian and because of your work with the Tweedsmuir Histories not only do "I commend you" for your efforts but also your foresight in recording history of the communities throughout the province. We know that before history can be valued it must be known, through your efforts you are making the Province a better place to live.

PRESIDENT OF UNIVERSITY

Dr. B. C. Matthews, University of Waterloo extended a welcome to the WI members, saying that sure signs of spring are flowers and birds and the Officers' Conference delegates "coming to town".

Changes will always be with us and as a result of changes in society there are a changing number of young people. The teenagers of the 60's have grown up, many choosing to remain child free.

However in the new and innovative ways of serving society the WI have a long history of service. With the population changes, the Women's Institute continues to meet the needs of people, providing new insight and an opportunity to develop leaders in the community.

GUEST SPEAKER

Dr. Richard Barham, Chairman of Family Studies, College of Family and Consumer Studies, University of Guelph.

Dr. Barham referred to the words of Robert F. Kennedy "Each generation makes its own accounting to its children", what accounting and opportunities can we give of our heritage? The aim of the International Year of the Child

- to encourage all countries rich and poor to mobilize support, needs and priorities.
- heighten awareness
- recognition of vital links—children.



Lanark North members, Mrs. Fred Toop, Rocky Ridge and Mrs. Dianne Duncan, Appleton WI line up to purchase supplies at the Erland Lee booth staffed by Secretary, Mrs. Earl Morden and Mrs. Wm. Miller, Mrs. Betty Bowen, Simcoe East District reads over fact sheet given to delegates.



Curators responsible for the group discussions l-r Mrs. Owen Hawkins, Mrs. Don. Harvie and Mrs. Fred Howe, Chairman and Provincial Curator; Mrs. Geo. Reist, Mrs. Jack Sparling, absent when picture taken Mrs. Philip Martin.



Members at large group chairman l-r Mrs. Herb Maluske discusses questions with leaders Mrs. Edgar Eleanor and Mrs. Warren Hill.