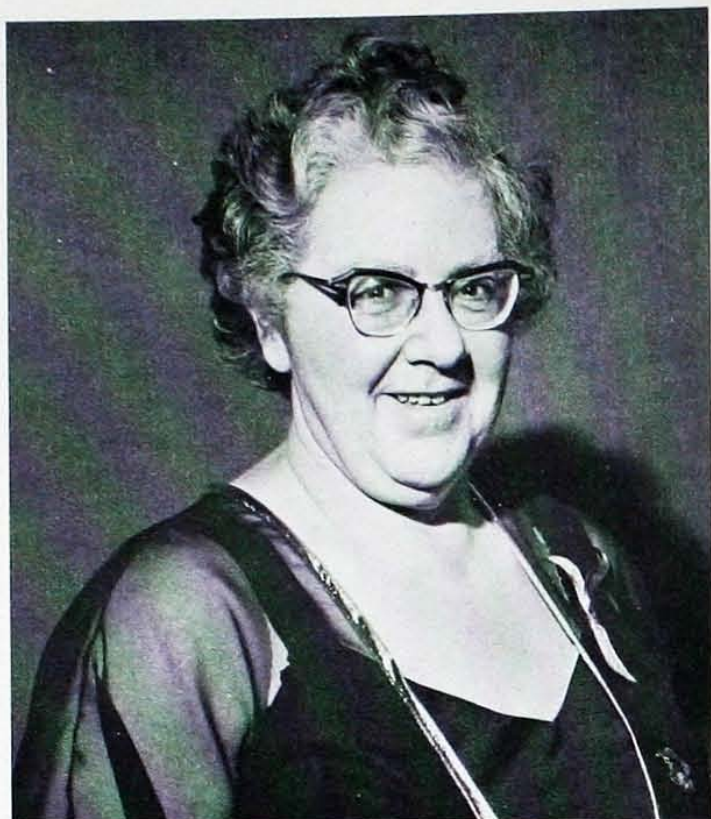


FWIO Office Secretaries



MRS. HELEN ARMSTRONG, retiring Secretary of FWIO

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FWIO – May I help you?

As the old song goes “we’ve become accustomed to your voice” – that is the voice of the office secretary, Mrs. Helen Armstrong.

It was a lucky day for the Women’s Institute when Miss McKercher lured Helen away from a law office to work for the Home Economics Branch on behalf of the Women’s Institute.

Thousands of members have talked to Helen on the phone and read the familiar signature on letters. Many have met her personally but many more feel they knew her because of the letters and telephone calls.

December 31, 1979 Mrs. Sid Armstrong retires and assumes the role of housewife.

Helen joined the staff 16 years ago when the office was at 20 Spadina. She has seen the work load increase as the W I grew. Always eager to help, nothing was too great an effort, there always seemed to be time for the extras. She has worked with the last eight Presidents and five Secretaries. I know for a fact how much assistance Helen gave, for I was one of those presidents.

As a W I member Helen has worked continually over the years as a member of the Mary H. Graves W I. She was the first Secretary Treasurer of the York County Rally, incidentally they celebrated their 25th anniversary last summer; secretary treasurer and now second vice president of York East District and secretary Treasurer of Central Area. She attended the first FWIC Convention and the ACWW’s in Lansing and Toronto.

“It’s been nice to know you,” and just think when the branch fees come pouring in, you’re on permanent holidays!

The Women’s Institute members throughout the Province say: “thank you” for a job well done.



MISS MARY CAMPBELL, SECRETARY, FWIO

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FWIO are so fortunate that Miss McGhee transferred Mary Campbell to the office of the Women’s Institute.

A former resident of Tiverton, Mary remembers attending W I meetings as a small child and especially recalls the “table manners” by the members of the Tiverton W I. She knows of the work of the organization because of her early associations in Bruce County.

Miss Campbell has been with the Home Economics Branch, having served as secretary to both Miss Joan Scott and Mrs. Margaret Drew.

The FWIO executive look forward to working with Mary Campbell and the branch members wish her the very best as she assumes the position of FWIO office secretary, January 2, 1980.



SOUTH MACAULEY W I, MUSKOKA SOUTH DISTRICT, present a life membership to (l) Mrs. Art Dick. Seen making the presentation to Mrs. Dick is Mrs. Edward Rutton also a life member of the Branch.