

IT'S WORTH REPEATING

Mrs. Austin Zoeller, Editor of Home and Country, presented a light-hearted approach to variations for program planning. The need for before-hand planning, the art of brainstorming for ideas in preparation for W.I. meetings were emphasized. It is important to plan programs that interest members and non-members alike.

Using your own ability in originating new ideas and methods, is doubtless one of the most necessary needs to program planning for What, Where and Why — "The Year of the W.I. — 1980".

AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

Mr. R. K. McNeil, MPP, parliamentary assistant.

The Hon. Lorne C. Henderson, Minister of Agriculture and Food was unable to attend Officers' Conference, however, Mr. R. K. McNeil, member for Elgin brought greetings on behalf of both Mr. Henderson and the Ministry.

Mr. McNeil, challenged the delegates to prepare for the innovation in agricultural techniques and the increase in farm mechanization. Changes in the agricultural techniques in the 80's are going to put a strain on the fabric of rural life which Women's Institutes can help alleviate.

Some of the changes expected include new crops, products, equipment, methods and assistance programs.

Harnessing waste heat from nuclear power stations for agricultural uses is one potential innovation. "This is a tremendously exciting possibility to come out of our power stations where there is currently an excess of energy used in the generation of electricity".

Mr. McNeil commended the FWIO for dedicated service to improving rural life and for assistance in providing leaders for both junior and senior courses.

BLOOMINGDALE WI

The Waterloo North Branch again were in charge of registration. Their expertise is so valuable Mrs. Campbell says "you have no idea what a responsibility this is and how capably they take over. I just never have to give registration another thought. I could never have handled this job without them".



At the Erland Lee sales table selling supplies are Committee members, (behind the table) Mrs. Earl Morden, Secretary Treasurer and Mrs. Wm. G. Miller. R-l Mrs. Sandra Hedley, Canfield WI Haldimand East District; Mrs. Eileen Kenney, New Flos WI; Mrs. Cora Sweeney, Centre Flos WI and Mrs. Margaret Ann Jacobs, Saurin WI all of Simcoe Centre District.



Members-at-large discussion group leaders are both former FWIO Board Directors. L-r Chairman, Mrs. Calvin Carmichael, Ilderton and Mrs. David Hamilton, North Bay. Absent when photo taken Mrs. R. B. Johnson, Cochrane.



District Presidents-group leaders, Chairman L. Mrs. Herb Maluske, former FWIO President chats with Mrs. Clarence Diamond President and R, Mrs. Stuart Anderson, Subdivision 11 Board Director.



Discussion group leaders for Branch Presidents took time to identify locations of Board Directors throughout the province. L-r Mrs. E. A. Rauhala, subdivision 29; Mrs. Kenneth Spence, Chairman, Subdivision 15; Mrs. Clare Freer, Subdivision 25; absent when photo taken Mrs. Art Brodie, Subdivision 30.