

## ERLAND LEE (MUSEUM) HOME REPORT

The Committee have had a successful first half year activities. A Seminar for the training of women working during special days was held. The Area Day for Northern and Kingston Areas was highly successful with 295 persons in attendance. The gifts donated at that time will be sold during WI week in June and the Areas will receive credit.

It was stressed that personal donations made to the Home will continue to receive an income tax receipt. Bequests and in memoriam donations are still most welcome.

### COMING EVENTS

Christmas At The Lee	December 1-2, 1982
Area Day	April 13, 1983
WI Week	May 31, June 1-2, 1983

The Provincial Board accepted a recommendation that the assessment on the Fee sheet for 1983, would be .20¢ per member.

Mrs. Wm. Miller Chairman, on behalf of her Committee wishes to thank all the Branch members who made quilt blocks, kits and quilt tops for sale at the Lee. Many of the blocks are beautiful and will bring in extra funds in support of the Home. Blocks will be on sale during the year, along with supplies. The new Mug in honor of the 10th Anniversary of ownership will also be on sale during 1982, the cost \$3.50, available at the Lee only.

## Newsmakers

Lanark South District organized a new Branch in May.

The District President Ailsen Meikle, Secretary-Treasurer Brenda Garrett and Federation Representative Aileen Sproule met at the home of Joan Irvine with a group of enthusiastic ladies, interested in forming a Branch.

Mrs. Sproule explained the functions of the W.I. and told about the objectives. It was decided to form a Branch and the name chosen, **FRANKTOWN-NUMOGATE**. Sixteen ladies joined and will be known as Charter Members.

Officers and Conveners were elected.

President, Joan Irvine

Vice Pres, Madenna Bell

Secretary Treasurer, Jan Hobbs

District Director, Faith Kidd

PRO, Ruth MacPherson.

Congratulations, from FWIO and from all the other members of Lanark South District.

## Open House at Addie's Home

Branch members attended the open-house at the Adelaide Hunter Hoodless Homestead on May 31.

It was the last presidential visit for Mrs. Emmie Oddie, FWIC President, before her term expires in June.

Mrs. Oddie said, before her election to the Presidency, she had read reports about the Homestead and found them interesting, but living in Regina she had never visited the St. George Property.

It was not until she became President and her first experience at seeing the birthplace, that her admiration for Mrs. Hoodless grew and she was more able to appreciate and understand what a remarkable lady pioneered and accomplished so much at the turn of the century.

Mrs. Oddie paid tribute to Mrs. Hoodless, who suggested rural women needed an added dimension in their lives and an element of sociability, and because of that initial thrust, W.I. spread in Ontario and throughout Canada.

Mrs. Oddie announced a new Branch had been formed in the Northwest Territories. As provinces observe special celebrations honoring the work of the W.I. from coast to coast, with all our differences and similarities, we continue to be a force for good.

Special thanks were extended to the local Committee who carry on the day-to-day activities and daily decision-making. Her appreciation of their work doubled after her first visit. Mrs. Oddie said she presides only at one meeting at the Homestead a year, when recommendations are made, especially when money is involved, and the decisions are made by the Board members at the annual meeting.

She briefly referred to the initial work at the Homestead by the Brant County women and for their vision of making it into a Museum.

Tribute was paid to Mrs. John Charlton, who worked as Secretary of the Homestead Committee for 22 years. Mrs. R. C. Randall, former FWIO Board Director has taken over, although Mrs. Charlton continues to work for the Committee as Foundation Secretary. It is the hope of FWIC that this Foundation Fund will grow to an appreciable size so it will cover expenses of maintaining the museum.

In appreciation of her long service on the Committee, Mrs. Charlton was presented with a dozen long stemmed roses from Mrs. Oddie and on behalf of FWIC, a locket watch.

Mrs. Randall and her Committee were in charge of the day's activities, assisted by local Branch members. Mr. David Allen, Curator, was introduced to the group.

## ACWW

### ACWW COMPETITIONS

All entries are to reach FWIO office by September 20, 1982.

Handwork	Greeting Card	Theme	"Peace"
Needlework	Picture	Theme	"My Countryside"
Essay	No more than 1000 words	Theme	"My Day"

Five voting delegates, one non-voting delegate, as well as eight accredited visitors were chosen by FWIO Board Directors to represent Ontario at next year's ACWW Conference.

### U.C.A. 71

This ACWW project approved at the 1981 Council meeting has the support of UNESCO, through its Co-operative Action Program.

The United Nations International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade 1981-1990 is supported by ACWW through the project number UCA 71. Members throughout the world are afforded the opportunity to assist in providing a safe water supply in many developing countries. ACWW are supporting the Amazon Trust Water Project in Peru and the Kakamega Water Project in Kenya.