

# Changing Name Doesn't Appeal To Belmont WI

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HAVELOCK (ENS)—The main topic for discussion at the January meeting of the Belmont Women's Institute, held at the home of Mrs. G. Smith in Havelock on Thursday afternoon, was the possibility of having to change the name of the branch.

This came about through the receipt of a letter from Anna P. Lewis, of Toronto, director of the Women's Institute Branch and Home Economics Service, which stated that there were other branches carrying the same name and for registering under the Agricultural Association Act it was necessary to have a different name for each Institute in the province. The letter informed the members that their branch would need to be listed as "Belmont (Peterborough) Women's Institute" in order to distinguish it from others of the same name, and suggested that they might prefer to choose a different name so that the name would not be so long.

The Belmont Women's Institute has been organized for nearly 40 years. The members all expressed their reluctance to give up their name.

The secretary was asked to write to Miss Lewis asking for more information as some felt the right to the name should be given on the basis of seniority.

Mrs. Arnold Dafoe and Mrs. Randal Vansickle were appointed to represent the branch at a meeting at the YWCA in Peterborough on January 19 for the purpose of forming a unit of the Canadian Mental Health Society for Peterborough city and county.

Donations of five dollars were made to the Sick Children's Hospital and the TB Association.

It was decided to hold a quilting bee on Friday, January 23, at the township hall, a pot-luck dinner at noon.