

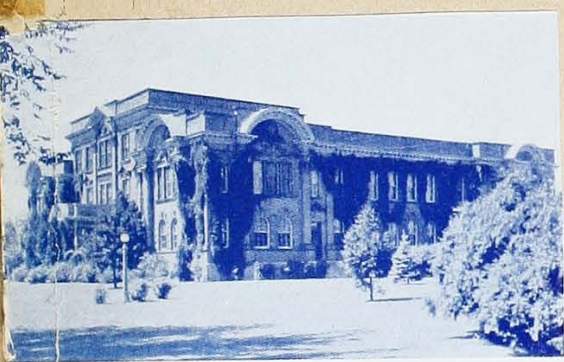
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Mrs. Laura Rose Stephen was the first lecturer for Women's Institutes appointed by the Ontario Department of Agriculture, and rendered great service in building the organization in its early days.



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Below are the surviving charter members of the First Institute at Stoney Creek, photographed at the Fiftieth Anniversary Banquet on February 19, 1947. *Back row, left to right:* Mrs. H. P. Van Wagner, Mrs. McKinley Mordon, Mrs. G. D. Conant, daughter of the first president, Mrs. B. E. Thompson, Mrs. George Miller, Mrs. Murray Neil. *Seated, left to right:* Mrs. J. B. Smith, Mrs. John Budge, Mrs. J. B. Davis, Mrs. G. A. Glidden, Mrs. Selby Corman and Mrs. Walter Ptolemy.

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