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STONEY CREEK

Thursday February 11, 1937, will mark the fortieth anniversary of the origin of Womens Institutes founded in Stoney Creek in February 19, 1897.

Four decades of achievement have proved the worthwhile visions held by the charter members who founded this organization, unique among societies for country women.

Always in the forefront to lend a helping hand where and when needed, the hundreds of branches since formed are of service in community life all the world around.

The high ideals with which the Womens Institutes were endowed in the beginning, have been the objective which all the branches have endeavoured to keep in view since the inception of the Mother Body.

Junior societies have been the outgrowth of mother and daughter meetings and farm life and surroundings have been bettered through co-operative efforts of father and son. A recent instance of this phenomenal growth was the gathering in June 1935 of women delegates from all over the world to a conference in Washington D.C. Later the delegates were entertained June 17, at Battlefield House, Stoney Creek.

Queen Mary is keenly interested in the Women Institute movement throughout the Empire and has attended the meetings at Sandringham.

The celebration of the fortieth birthday will be in the form of a banquet, and one hundred members with their husbands will attend this happy affair. Mrs Thomas Dale is the present president and Mrs. W.N.Langdon is secretary.

Charter members and past presidents will be honoured guests at the banquet which marks another milestone towards a Golden Jubilee.