

Area Conveners' reports received this fall show no very great changes in program material -chiefly methods of preparing resolutions and study of the Hand Book. I find no mention that Branches are carrying out study programs on the topics suggested in earlier reports from the Provincial and National Conveners, viz: the serious water shortage in Ontario, the problem of water pollution, Canada's divorce laws, or use of farm land for industry. These have been suggested for study with a view to the framing of resolutions, and should form a part of our program, working along with others of our conveners.

In closing, I would like to share with you a note of humour from the report of Grey-Bruce Area. From the 1907 Bruce County Historical notes:

"In 1907 Brant Township sent the largest signed petition then known to the Ontario Legislature, asking that cars be banned from the highways. Failing in this, they suggested to the government that the motorist be restricted to specified days of the week."

What difference might it have made if that resolution had been granted. It points again to the fact that we must always consider the long-range results of a change we request.

MOTTOES - The past and present are our only means.
The future is always our end
We should resolve to conquer temper, tongue and conduct
Good resolutions are not worth much until they ripen into good ideas
At least seven years old

ROLL CALLS - What I resolve to do to observe Canada's Centennial
What laws would you change to better the lives of Canadians?
A resolution one could use daily

TOPICS - Few original topics for meetings were reported. One Branch reported having studied all the resolutions passed in its district since its inception, with discussion on their effectiveness and the responsibility of W.I. members in making resolutions effective. This made an interesting and worthwhile meeting.

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