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CORONATION WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

ORGANIZATION

A meeting for the purpose of organizing a Senior Women's Institute was held in the Town Hall, Bolton, Monday, Jan. 18th, 1937 with the County President, Mrs. Smith, Vice President Mrs. Robert J. Watson and Secretary Mrs. John McCullough present.

Mrs. R. J. Watson opened the meeting. Mrs. Smith outlined the origin, growth and objectives of the Ontario Women's Institute and how it functions. Mrs. John McCullough read the constitution and by-laws. Mrs. Russell Haines made a motion which was seconded by Mrs. Russell Chamberlain that an organization to be known as Bolton Senior Women's Institute be formed. The meetings were to be held on the third Tuesday of each month.

The officers elected were:

President: Mrs. Thomson Dick  
1st Vice: Mrs. Thomas Keyes  
2nd Vice: Mrs. Fred Daines  
Sec. Treas: Mrs. Russell Haines  
District Director: Miss May Harper  
Directors: Mrs. Albert Robinson, Mrs. Edward Robinson, Mrs. Frank Wilson  
Pianist: Mrs. Claude Wilson.

Convenors of Standing Committees were:

Education - Miss Lillian Rutherford  
Home Economics - Mrs. Wilton Downey  
Health and Child Welfare: Mrs. Alex Hutchinson  
Agriculture & Canadian Industries: Mrs. Ebenezer Armstrong  
Legislation: Mrs. Percy McMurter  
Historical Research & Current Events: Mrs. Russell Chamberlain  
Community Activities and Relief: Mrs. Hudson Wilson  
Peace and International Relations: Mrs. Byron Leavens  
Canadianization: Mrs. George Rutherford  
Resolutions: Mrs. Ted Edwards

Charter Members:

Mrs. Eb. Armstrong, Mrs. R. J. Chamberlain, Mrs. T. A. Dick,  
Mrs. Fred Daines, Mrs. Wilton Downey, Mrs. Alex Hutchinson,  
Mrs. Thos. Keyes, Mrs. Percy McMurter, Miss Inez McMurter,  
Mrs. Albert Robinson, Mrs. Edward Robinson, Mrs. John Verner,  
Mrs. Claude Wilson, Mrs. Frank Wilson, Mrs. Hudson Wilson,  
Mrs. R. J. Watson, Mrs. Russell Haines, Miss May Harper.

In February 1937 permission was received from the Department of Agriculture, Women's Branch, to change the name from the Bolton Senior Women's Institute, to Coronation Women's Institute, to commemorate the fact that it was organized in the coronation year of King George VI.

TENTH ANNIVERSARY

On Tuesday, January 21, 1947 Coronation Women's Institute celebrated its tenth Anniversary with a special open meeting in Bolton United Church, to which all past members were invited. The following programme had been prepared:

Opening - Institute Ode  
Prayer  
President's Address - Mrs. Stuart Rutherford  
Community Singing led by Mrs. Charles Robinson with Mrs. L. Bowes at the piano  
History of the Coronation Branch by Mrs. Earl Small  
Roll Call - Why I Joined the Institute  
Business  
Piano Duet - Mrs. L. Bowes and Mrs. Alex Hutchinson  
Speaker - Mrs. J. E. Houck, Chairman of Toronto Convention Area  
Violin Solo - Mrs. Claude Wilson  
Address - Mrs. R. J. Watson  
Solo - Mrs. L. Bowes  
Speeches - Mrs. Fred Daines, Mrs. Sam Wilson, Mrs. Thomson Dick,  
Mrs. John McCullough.