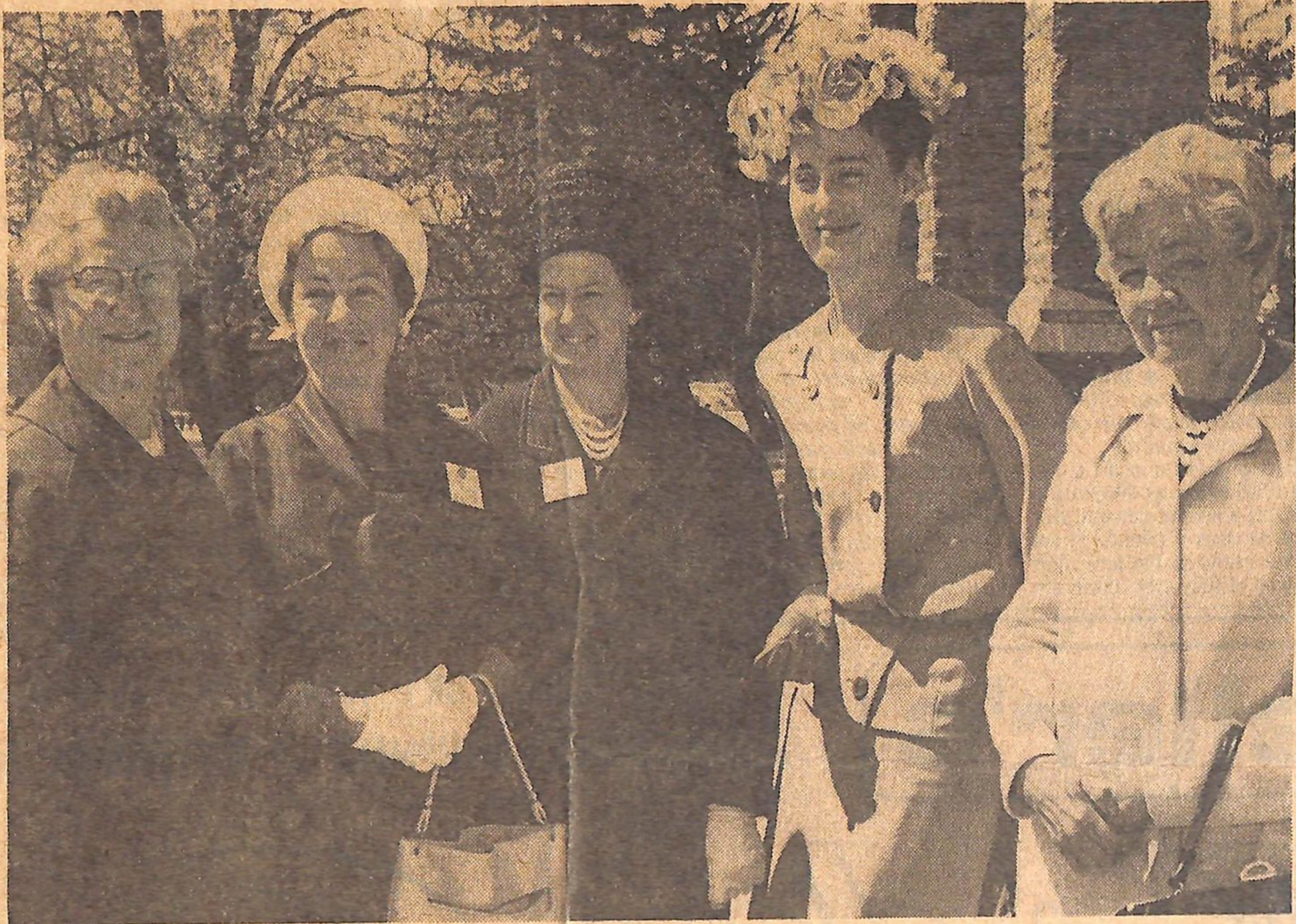


Guelph May 1, 2, 3, 1968 - Mrs. Allen Stewart Pres. Lakeside, W.I. Delegate.



Among the 500 at the Women's Institute conference in Guelph are from left: Mrs. Charles Cooper, West Lorne; Mrs. J. N. Ferguson, Yarmouth Glen;

Mrs. Fred Barnett, Embro and West Zorra; Mrs. George Roberts, Thamesford; Mrs. Kenneth Webster, Dutton.

Ontario president lauds work of WIs

By BERYL VOLLMER
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GUELPH — More than 500 delegates are attending the 20th annual Ontario Women's Institute conference for

branch citizenship and education conveners, branch presidents, members-at-large and district secretary-treasurers this week at War Memorial Hall, University of Guelph.

Registration took place Tuesday and the convention continues through tomorrow. Mrs. Everett Small, president Federated Women's Institute of Ontario, officially

opened the conference yesterday.

In her opening address she said man must not be self-centred but be concerned with others.

She spoke of many things done by WIs during centennial year and said one small community bought a rescue truck and raised their branch membership from eight to 28.

Miss Helen McKercher, director of the Home Economics branch, Ontario department of agriculture and food, said there has been an increase of over 8,000 to 43,000 women and girls participating in the department's programs.

"We should think about how to live — not how to make a living," she said.

Dr. Margaret S. McCready, dean of MacDonal Institute, told members, "Some of the greatest problems in our society are the many families who have no idea of how to use their time, their money or their talents to get the things in life so necessary for a viable living."

Dr. W. C. Winegard, president of the University of Guelph forecast dramatic changes in MacDonal Institute in the next few years.

Speaker at the evening session was the Hon. William A. Stewart, minister of agriculture for Ontario.

The Dufferin South WI Centennial Choir under director, Mrs. Irwin Maltby, entertained.

A coffee party in War Memorial Hall lounge ended the evening.

Plenary session continue today. An address on Human Rights, Hope and Hypocrisy by Ranjit S. Hall, regional liaison officer, citizenship branch, department of the secretary of state, will close the convention.

He said the enrolment has tripled at the university in three years. There are now 5,400 students, he said.

Other speakers included Dr. T. L. Jones, dean of the Ontario Veterinary College; Dr. M. H. M. MacKinnon, dean of Wellington College; and N.R. Richards, dean of the Ontario Agriculture College, who all spoke in the expansion and work of their departments.