

# Burgoyne site of WI annual



This year's executive of the Bruce Centre District Women's Institute were elected during an annual meeting in Burgoyne last Tuesday. Front row are Mrs. Gordon Farrow, 2nd vice-pres.; Mrs. P.B. Ford, president; Mrs. Nelson Diebel, 1st vice-pres.; back row: Mrs. Arnold Misch, P.R.O.; Mrs. James Coyne, prov. board; Mrs. Don Fenton, sec.-treas.; and Mrs. Harvey Wepler, past pres. Mrs. John McKenzie, 3rd vice-pres., was unavailable for the photo.

The theme for the 25th District Annual of Bruce Center W.I. was Understanding, Acceptance, Tolerance. This was hosted by West Arran branch and was held at Burgoyne Knox Presbyterian Church on Tuesday, May 12, 1981.

A sing-song under the leadership of Mrs. Lindsay Busch and assisted by Mrs. Andrew Meuser at the piano, opened the meeting.

Rev. D. Neil McCombie welcomed the ladies.

Mrs. P. Ford, president, gave a summary of her year's work, and on speaking on the theme, suggested that we try to be alert to help all that are handicapped or disabled in any way, - the blind, crippled, deaf not just those in wheelchairs. Extend a family is a worthwhile project, when help is given to relieve the family of their steady care.

Some interesting answers to the roll call, 'Tell what your institute intends to do to help a disabled person' were - To make quilts for Participation Lodge, entertain a group of

disabled people, have a speaker on 'Extend a Family', donations to CNIB, Cancer, and Arthritic Societies, Blue Water School, help in nursing homes, pay a month's bus fare for member of a family to visit a patient in a distant hospital, put emergency equipment in a church and provide Savings Bond for someone with Muscular Dystrophy.

The ratification of District directors was given by Mrs. Jame Coyne. In her report as Board member, she explained that in future Home and Country will not be able to print all the pictures of anniversaries that are coming up, but they still want the information about them. The Board members are concerned about the needs of the younger women in the communities.

Mrs. Coyne called on Mrs. Harvey Monkman to speak on the 'Rural Connection' Convention that they both attended at Western University, London.