

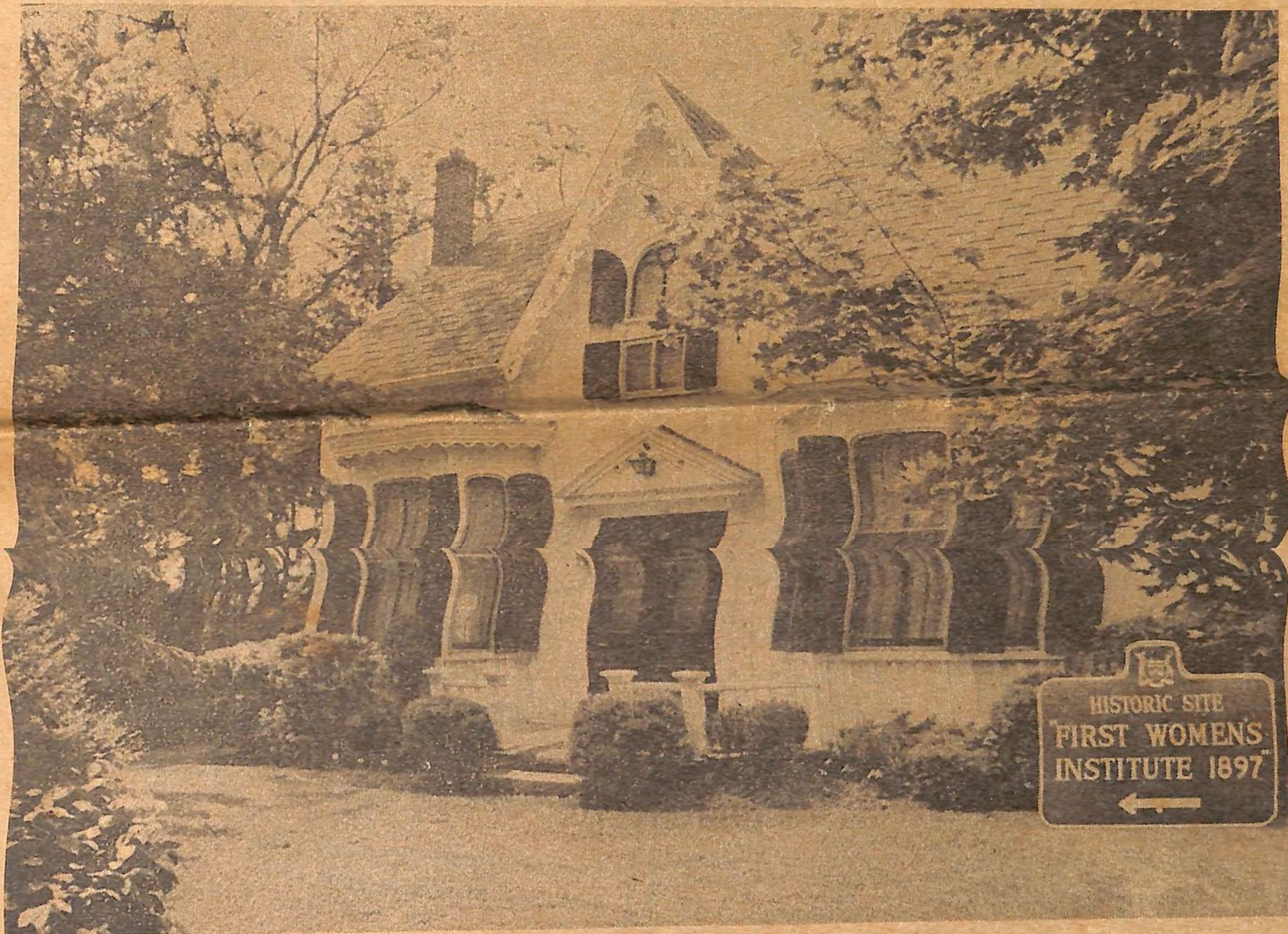
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## The Women's Institute 75th Anniversary



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EDGEMONT, THE ERLAND LEE HOMESTEAD

STONE CREEK, Feb. 19, 1897 — One hundred and one women and one man, Erland Lee, attended a meeting tonight at Squire's Hall here. The following are the minutes of the meeting:

"Mr. Lee was chairman and an address was given by Mrs. John Hoodless.

"Moved by Mrs. Melson and seconded by Mrs. E. Lee that we organize a Women's Department of Domestic Economy in affiliation with the Farmers' Institute. Carried.

"It was decided that the name should be the "Women's Department of the Farmers' Institute of South Wentworth.

"The following officers were elected: Honorary president, Mrs. John Hoodless; president, Mrs. E. D. Smith of Winona; vice president, Mrs. J. J. Dean of Fruitland; secretary, Miss M. Nash of Stoney Creek; treasurer, Mrs. J. H. McNeilly of Fruitland."

SQUIRES HALL, Feb. 25, 1897 — The second meeting of the Women's Department of the Farmer's Institute of South Wentworth met here this evening. The following are the minutes:

"Name of society discussed.

"Moved by Mrs. F. M. Carpenter, seconded by Mrs. Melson, that the name be changed to 'The Women's Institute of Saltfleet.' Carried.

"The constitution and by-laws are prepared by the committee was submitted. After the constitution was read it was moved by Mrs. Dean, seconded by Mrs. Melson, that said constitution be adopted. Carried.

"Letter read by secretary from Hon. John Dryden, Ontario Minister of Agriculture, to Sec. Erland Lee in reply to a request for a grant.

"Address by Miss Watson who gave an interesting paper on foods.

"Directors were then appointed.

"Moved by Mrs. Carpenter, seconded by Mrs. Pettit, that Mrs. Erland Lee be a director. Carried.

"Moved by Mrs. McNeilly, seconded by Mrs. Melson, that Mrs. C. Dewitt of Tapleystown be a director. Carried.

"Moved by Mrs. Marcus Lee, seconded by Mrs. Dean, that Mrs. F. M. Carpenter be a director. Carried.

"Auditors were then appointed.

"Moved by Mrs. Melson, seconded by Mrs. McNeilly, that Carlotta Orr be an auditor. Carried.

"It was also moved and seconded that Mrs. (Dr.) Thompson be an auditor. Carried.

"It was decided to hold meetings once every fortnight Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Pres., Mrs. E. D. Smith,  
Sec., M. E. Nash."