

## Lee family of UEL stock

Erland Lee was born on May 3, 1862, at the Lee Homestead which is situated on top of Lee Mountain about two miles east of Stoney Creek. The Lee family were of United Empire Loyalist stock and came to Canada in 1792. Mr. Lee was a co-founder of the Women's Institute.

On the Lee farm was the Lee School and here Erland received his early education. He received further education at the Waterdown High School and the Hamilton Collegiate Institute, obtaining a second class certificate in 1883. In 1885 he received a second-class certificate for the Agriculture and Arts Association of Ontario, taking second prize for the province.

Mr. Lee raised special lines of Jersey cattle on his farm and specialized in fancy dairy butter, maple syrup and fruit. For 12 years he was secretary-treasurer of the Saltfleet Agricultural Society and for many years clerk and treasurer of Saltfleet Township.

Erland Lee married Janet Robertson Chisholm and they had five children —

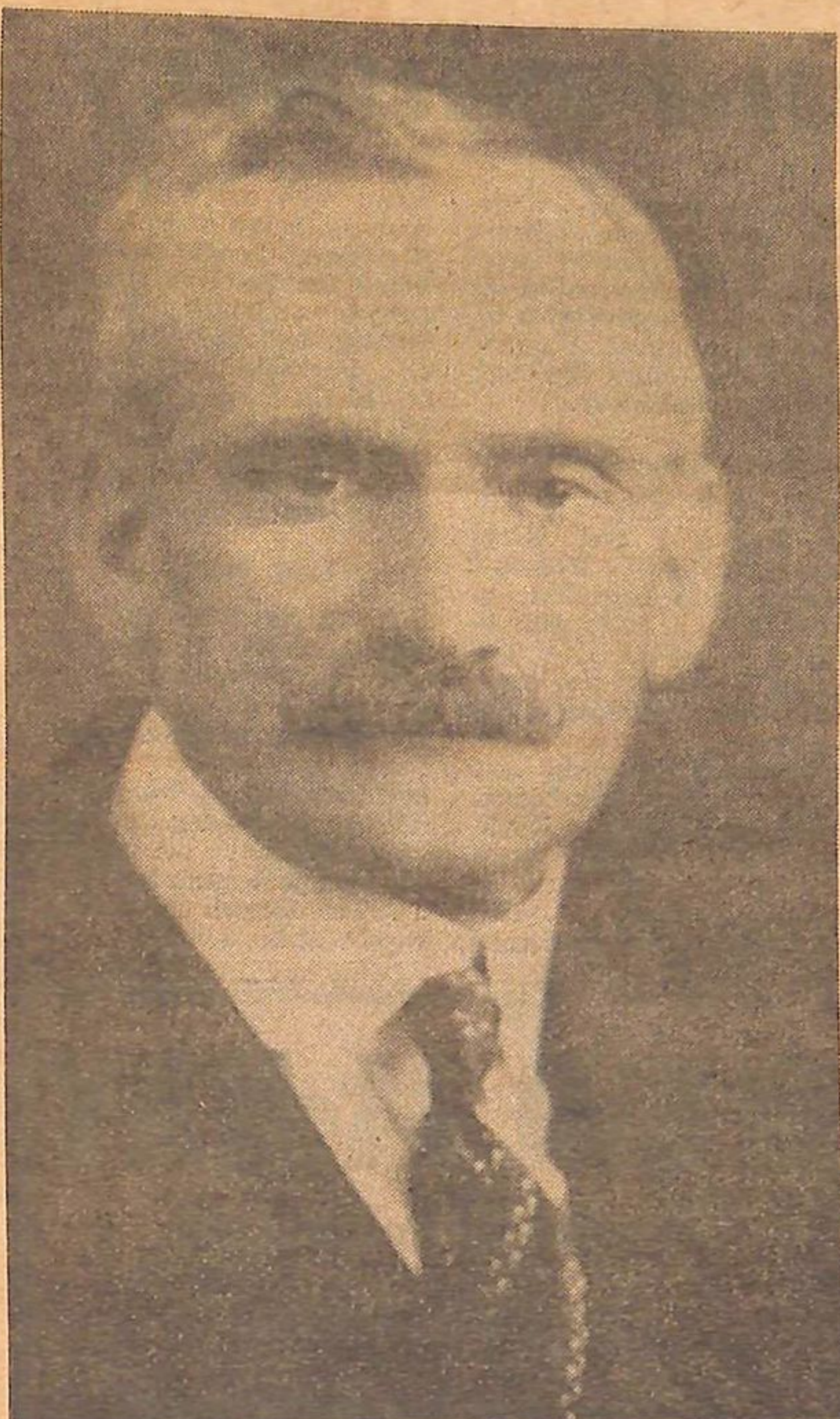
Marjorie, Hilda, Gordon, Frank and Alice.

Mrs. Erland Lee was born January 4, 1862, at Woodstock, Ont., where her father, a contractor, had moved his family while he was building a school. When the father completed the contract, the family returned to Hamilton.

Mrs. Lee graduated from Hamilton Normal School and while teaching in that city she was chosen to take a kindergarten teacher's course in Toronto. She returned to Hamilton to help set up a kindergarten system there.

In 1889 Janet Chisholm married Erland Lee and gave up her profession to become a farmer's wife. When moving to her new home at Stoney Creek Mrs. Lee brought with her a fine walnut dining room table from her grandfather's home in Ancaster. On this table Mrs. Lee made the final draft of the Constitution for the new organization, the Women's Institute.

Mrs. Lee became one of the first directors of the Stoney Creek Women's Institute.



ERLAND LEE



MRS. ERLAND LEE

## ACWW president visits Hoodless Homestead

Mrs. E. V. Fulton of Birble, Man., president of Federated Women's Institutes of Canada, welcomed Mrs. Olive Farquharson of Farnham, Essex, England, president of Associated Country Women of the world, at the Adelaide Hunter Hoodless Homestead.

Mrs. Farquharson was brought to Canada as a guest of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario to address the 75th anniversary of the founding of the first WI. She was accompanied at the Homestead by Mrs. Harvey Noblitt of Ottawa, FWIO president.

Some 40 members from Brant North and South attended the celebration at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto in February. Mrs. Kenneth Chapin of R1 Brantford and Mrs. Chester Jackson of St. George provided the program entitled Women's Institute Around the World.

A tea, arranged by the local Homestead committee, Mrs. John Charlton, Mrs. Ewart Hunt and Mrs. Harry Nixon at the Homestead for Brant South district officers and the branches' presidents, secretary-treasurers

and district director honored Mrs. Farquharson. Mrs. Warne Emmott of R3 Brantford, district president received with the Homestead hostess Mrs. T. O. Loveless.

While in Brant County, Mrs. Farquharson, Mrs. Fulton and Mrs. Noblitt were guests of Dr. and Mrs. John Charlton of Paris. They visited the home of Erland Lee, co-founder of the WIs of Ontario, on their way to Stoney Creek where a banquet was given by the mother institute at Sidonia Hall.

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