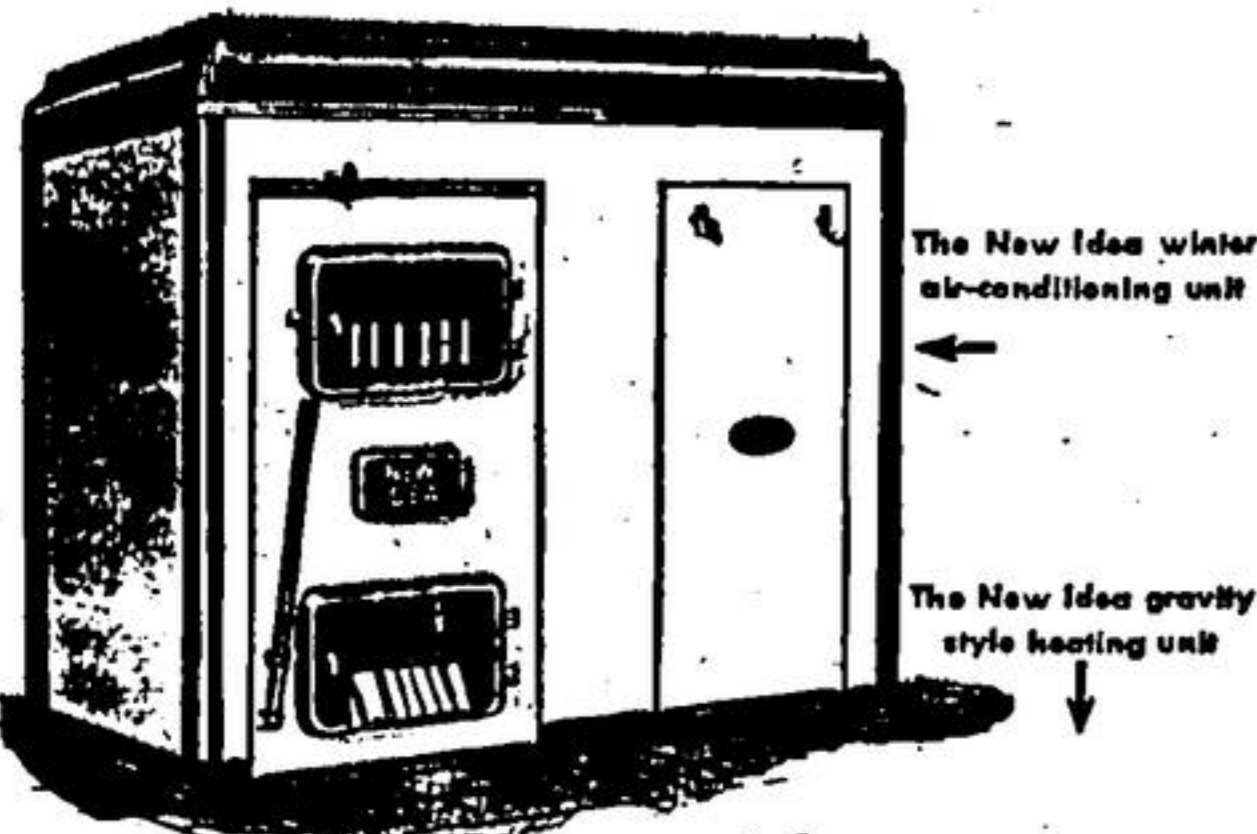


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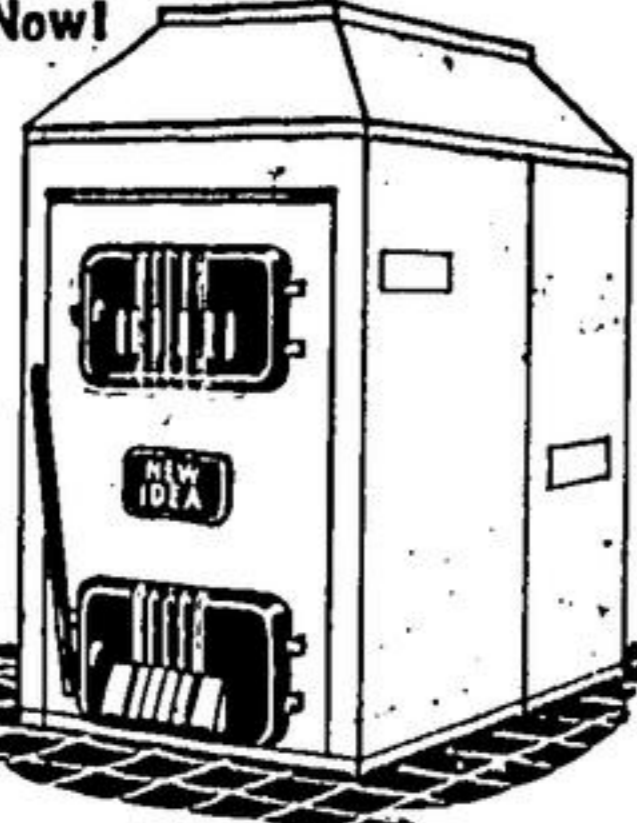
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INSTITUTE CONVENE AT GUELPH FOR DISTRICT ANNUAL

Representatives of Women's Institutes in the Guelph Area gathered at the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph recently for their annual convention, at which Mrs. J. R. White of Ripley was elected chairman for the next year. The new slate of officers is:

- Chairman—Mrs. J. R. White, Ripley
- 1st Vice—Mrs. Ford Sudden, R. R. 4, Galt
- 2nd Vice—Mrs. Alec Hammond, Moorefield
- Sec.-Treas.—Mrs. Lorne Guild, Rockwood
- Rec. Sec.—Mrs. D. G. McNaughton, Bluevale
- Auditors—Mrs. T. Henderson, R. R. 7, Guelph; Mrs. H. Hanlon, Guelph

Conveners of committees are Mrs. F. Boulton, Elora, agriculture and Canadian industries; Mrs. John Moore, Durham, citizenship and education; Miss I. Wade, Allensford, community activities and public relations; Mrs. D. McPherson, Elmira, cultural activities; Mrs. W. A. Smith, Parkhead, home economics; Miss Velma Norris, Milton, resolutions; Miss Lois Dixon, Moorefield, junior representative.

Mrs. Clarence Hayes of Georgetown was the speaker at the Thursday afternoon session, when she spoke on community activities and organizations. She said that the world had changed in its attitude toward many things, including religion and community affairs in the period of unrest following the war. Juvenile delinquency has become common and she blamed this on such factors as overcrowded housing and the shortening of working hours without adequate recreational facilities at home. Rural communities as well as the cities have felt the effect of these conditions, she continued. Adult education is a possible answer, she suggested, and the Institutes can help by sponsoring libraries and home orchestras.

The theme of this year's meeting was "Happiness." It was stressed that happiness is not an end to be attained but a by-product of constructive thinking and successful every-day living. Mrs. C. Robertson of Guelph was chairman of the convention.

A full report on home economics was given by Mrs. J. J. McKinnon of Chesley. Mrs. Wheeler of Ethel in her publicity report suggested the use of the local and daily press and radio and the placing of the W.I. crest on all correspondence. She gave several good roll calls and mottoes. An offer was received from radio station CKNX, Wingham, for the broadcasting of a fifteen minute weekly program. Institutes from the western Ontario district were more interested in this, as Halton does not come within range of the station.

Mrs. J. R. Fitcher, president of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario, was speaker at the Wednesday afternoon session and touched on many points of interest to the ladies. This year five girls will receive scholarships to MacDonald Institute in Guelph. Scholarships for boys to attend OAC are planned in the future. An oil painting of Adelaide Hoodless, founder of the Women's Institute, will be done by Marion Long of Toronto, for hanging in the archives at Ottawa.

Mrs. Fitcher urged all members to get acquainted with the new handbook. She spoke of the success of the officers' rally last summer, one lady from near the Manitoba border saying she was able to attend only through the generosity of branches nearer Guelph. To make it possible for such ladies to attend, funds were pooled, each branch paying the same amount for their delegates. At present, the Institute has 1401 branches.

Women's beverage rooms came under fire at the convention and the W.I. is trying hard to have them abolished. A mass meeting will be held in Toronto in November with special speakers on the subject. Mrs. Fitcher urged the support of each branch in this project.

Following Mrs. Fitcher's report, the ladies of Speedside W.I. sang a few songs. Miss Anna Lewis explained several points in the handbook and Mrs. A. R. Matthews of Preston gave her report on citizenship. Another interesting report was that on historical research by Mrs. D. McPherson of Elmira, who suggested that roll calls be used with a historical background.

Reverend, Dr. Young, chaplain of the OAC, gave the address of welcome at the evening banquet, with Mrs. J. Feasby of Kitchener replying. Mrs. Fitcher brought greetings from the provincial organization, remarking that the home was the "core" of a woman's life, but that she must not consider it the circumference. After dinner the meeting adjourned to the Memorial Hall, where the incoming president took the chair. Mrs. Albert Migh-ton of Fergus delighted the audience with two recitations. Miss Leona Gibb of Rockwood, who was to have been soloist was prevented by illness from attending, and a sing-song replaced this.

Dr. E. T. Salmon, professor of ancient history at McMaster Uni-

ARTS & CRAFTS PLAN FOR FALL SEASON

A busy fall season is planned by the Arts and Crafts of Georgetown. The group will cooperate with the Recreation Commission for an evening of handcraft demonstration which will include a guest speaker and film on the subject. A course in glove making is planned under the tutelage of Mrs. Reynolds and a course in advanced weaving and design, and a course in metalcraft will be taught by Mrs. Valko, sister-in-law of one of the members, Mrs. Paul Beer, when metalcraft tools become available.

The ladies held their September meeting last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Paul Beer with an attendance of 38 members and guests. A new member, Mrs. Robert Jones, was welcomed by the president, Mrs. A. M. Nielsen. There was an encouraging report of the success of the exhibit and sales at the Canadian National Exhibition. Mrs. Nielsen congratulated Mrs. Ted Darlington and the exhibit committee for their interesting exhibit at Georgetown Fall Fair.

The Arts & Crafts will hold their annual sale of work and afternoon tea this year at the Legion Hall in December. The society hopes to make this more interesting than ever with demonstrations of pottery making, spinning and weaving, as well as the display of finished products.

With the adjournment of the business meeting, members and guests were served in the dining room with coffee and cakes. Miss H. A. Staunton and Mrs. S. W. Orr poured, assisted by Mrs. Paul Beer, Mrs. Thomas Beer and Mrs. Valko. Thanks was expressed by Mrs. Wilhamson of Guelph for the generous hospitality of the hostess.

Nasagaweya Plans Deer, Pheasant Hunt

A deer hunt and a pheasant hunt in the township were sanctioned for this fall by Nasagaweya Council at their September meeting. The same regulations as in 1948 will apply.

Objections had been received by the council to the dumping of refuse on township roads. The clerk was instructed to write to several persons who had been creating this nuisance, advising them that this was contrary to a municipal by-law and that the refuse must be removed and fences repaired in order to avoid prosecution.

Letters of thanks were sent to Women's Institutes for their donation toward installing lights outside the township hall at Brookville and a letter of thanks was sent to Mr. M. Nelles for his donation toward the expenses of the centennial celebration in July. Acton branch of the Canadian Legion was granted the usual request for a wreath and programs for the Remembrance Day service.

Dr. Salmon spoke on "Recent Developments in International Affairs." His opinion is that Russia is engaged in a gigantic program of imperialism and is using local Communist groups outside the country to further this. Russia's geographical position enables her to employ strategy from an inner circle, putting pressure on any soft spot and by this means she has taken over control of one country after another in Europe. Her failure in Berlin has drawn other world powers closer together.

Dr. Salmon explained the dollar crisis. Britain's income from overseas investments had formerly been used to buy food and material needed to maintain living conditions on the island. With investments liquidated and shipping receipts down, Britain is now in a precarious position and the devaluation of the pound is one measure taken to help.

The speaker could see no immediate threat of a third World War. Russia lacks steel, he claimed, and the temperament of English-speaking countries is not such that they would start a war. Communism thrives on misery, he concluded and to stamp it out we must improve and stabilize international affairs so there will be justice for all.

Miss Eleanor Stark of Ashgrove was featured at the girl's session on Thursday morning, explaining and demonstrating many uses of corn. Several girls put on a "Sleepy Time" in which they paraded in housecoats and other articles which they had made themselves, also showing bedroom accessories which they learned to make in the girls' project clubs. Mrs. J. Rutherford of Ayr gave a report on junior work.

Miss Anna Lewis spoke on various subjects, including the growth of the Institute which now numbers 44,150 members, including members in 74 junior branches. She urged the ladies to write the Canadian Broadcasting Commission if they hear an especially good program and to make use of the lending library provided for Institute members.



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