

TALBOTVILLE

A TWEEDSMUIR

VILLAGE HISTORY

Compiled by members of
Talbotville Women's Institute

Introduction.

Talbotville Women's Institute,
West Elgin^{of} District.

Organized - April 29th, 1927.
with Paynes' Mills.

Re-organized - Feb. 21st, 1946.
as separate branch.

Tweedsmuir History.

- Feb. 15th, 1945.
- Convener - Mrs. John Mc.Cormick.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

How do you do Ontario Women's Institute Members!

To many of you I am a stranger, but in pride in our organization and high hopes for its future, you and I find common ground.

1947—the fiftieth year of the founding of our organization, will soon be behind us. But the achievements and the satisfaction of fifty years of unselfish service remain. Women of vigour and vision, fifty years ago, laid the foundation stones of our Women's Institute straight and true. I know it is your prayer, as it is mine, that we have the insight and spiritual strength to continue building in like manner.

That most wonderful and satisfying day at Guelph, with its beauty and its inspiration, was a fitting climax to fifty years of unselfish effort—Thousands of us, paying tribute that day to everything that our Institute stands for, went home with high resolves to greater effort.

The thought I want to leave with you for the new year is "Active Citizenship" in the four spheres of home, community, national and international. Active citizenship in the home embraces all our Institute program of better living and better home-making. Here we lay the first foundations of good citizenship by teaching our children, loyalty, tolerance and co-operation.

Active citizenship in our communities calls for our support of all worthwhile projects—such as community centres, play-grounds, parks, etc. It means constructive interest in our schools and health units. It calls for active help for our Juniors and the absorption of newcomers into community life. Be zealous in extending membership—rural women need the privileges and means of service that our organization offers.

1947 saw us with Canadian citizenship for the first time. The highest form of citizenship is use of franchise—the lowest form is espionage. Immigrants are flocking to our shores. We must help mould these different



MRS. J. R. FUTCHER,
F. W. I. O. PRESIDENT

nationalities into one great Canadian spirit. Canada needs their craftsmanship and their thrift. By another generation they'll make splendid citizens.

The war has made world citizens of us all. Our citizenship effort must now be international in scope. How fortunate we Women's Institute members are for through our International Organization we can so easily help to promote international understanding! Remember in planning next year's program to set aside the February meeting for International Day.

What an interesting future lies ahead really making citizenship work!

To Mrs. Summers I say "Thank you for a job well done!"

I will do my best, as far as I am able, to follow her example of devoted service and outstanding leadership.

And now, may happiness and satisfaction go with you in your work as you face the New Year.

Dorothy E. Futcher.

R.R. 1, St. Thomas

F.W.I.O. Pres. - 1947 to 1950.

WE WELCOME OUR PRESIDENT

Women's Institute members from all parts of the province welcome our new Provincial President, Mrs. J. Robinson Futcher.

A teacher before her marriage, Mrs. Futcher lives on a farm near St. Thomas, in Elgin County. She has one son at home on the farm, a daughter in training for a nurse and twins attending St. Thomas Collegiate.

For twenty-four years Mrs. Futcher has been an active Institute member. During that time she has held various offices in her Branch and District. She was first elected to the F.W.I.O. Board in 1944 and while serving on the Board acted as liaison officer between the F.W.I.O. and Wartime Prices and Trade Board, was Chairman of the Finance Committee and was instrumental in organizing a delegation comprised of representative provincial women's organizations to present a beverage room brief to the Prime Minister of Ontario.

Mrs. Futcher has always been looked upon with high esteem by her many friends and associates. She

has made an outstanding contribution toward the welfare of her community by taking an active part in all worthwhile community enterprises. She has served on the Elgin County Federation of Agriculture executive, the St. Thomas Music Club and the Elgin Historical Society executive.

Her friendly personality, her clear, logical mind and her knowledge of and experience in Institute work all admirably fit her for the very responsible position she has been elected to fill.

The Women's Institutes of this province extend warmest congratulations and good wishes for a successful tenure of office as President, Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario and pledge co-operation and support.

Home & Country.
Fall & Winter - 1947-48.

March 10th, 1954.



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY — Mr. and Mrs. John McCormick, 28 Jackson street, are today quietly observing the 45th anniversary of their wedding. Mr. McCormick, son of Donald and Margaret Grey McCormick, of Shedden, and Clara Barber, daughter of Dr. William Barber and Clara Sharon Barber of Fingal, were married at the home of the bride's aunt, Talbot road, on March 10, 1909, by Rev. George Gilmore, of Knox Church, Fingal. Mr. and Mrs. McCormick have been living in and near St. Thomas for thirty-three years and are members of the First United Church. Mr. McCormick retired from the general contracting business several years ago.

There are five sons in the McCormick family: Sharon, 16 Barnes street, city; George, 179 Woodworth avenue; Archie A., 34 Metcalfe; Donald, of Toronto and Gladstone W., of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mc. Cormick, on occasion of 45th anniversary of their wedding, Mar. 10th, 1909. Mrs. Mc. Cormick is a charter member and active worker in Talbotville. Women's Institute.

Talbotville Ont.
Times. Journal clipping.

Dated - March 10th, 1954.

Our Father.

who art in heaven, **H**al-
lowed be thy **N**ame.

Thy kingdom come. **T**hy
will be done, on earth as it
is in heaven. **G**ive us this
day our daily bread.

And forgive us our tres-
passes, as we forgive those
who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temp-
tation, **B**ut deliver us from
evil. **F**or thine is the king-
dom, and the power, and
the glory, for ever and ever

amen?

IN MEMORIAM

"I know not where his islands lift
Their fronded palms in air;
I only know I cannot drift
Beyond His love and care."
Tennyson.

Mrs. David Graham.

Mrs. Wm. Meek (nee Edith O'Dell.)

Mrs. John Mc. Guban.

Mrs. Nellie Vann.

Mrs. Roy Dunning.

Mrs. Wm. D. Munroe

Mrs. Frank Bennett. Sr.

Mrs. John Auckland. 1945.

Mrs. Ralph Hannon (Leta Humphries)

Mrs. Lewis Cole (Dora Charlton) - 1952.

Mrs. Lawrence Flashman (Irene Birch) - 1952.

Mrs. Harley Appleford (M. Jamieson) - 1953.

Mrs. Harvey French - 1958.

Talbotville, Ont.

Dated - Mar. 12th, 1954.

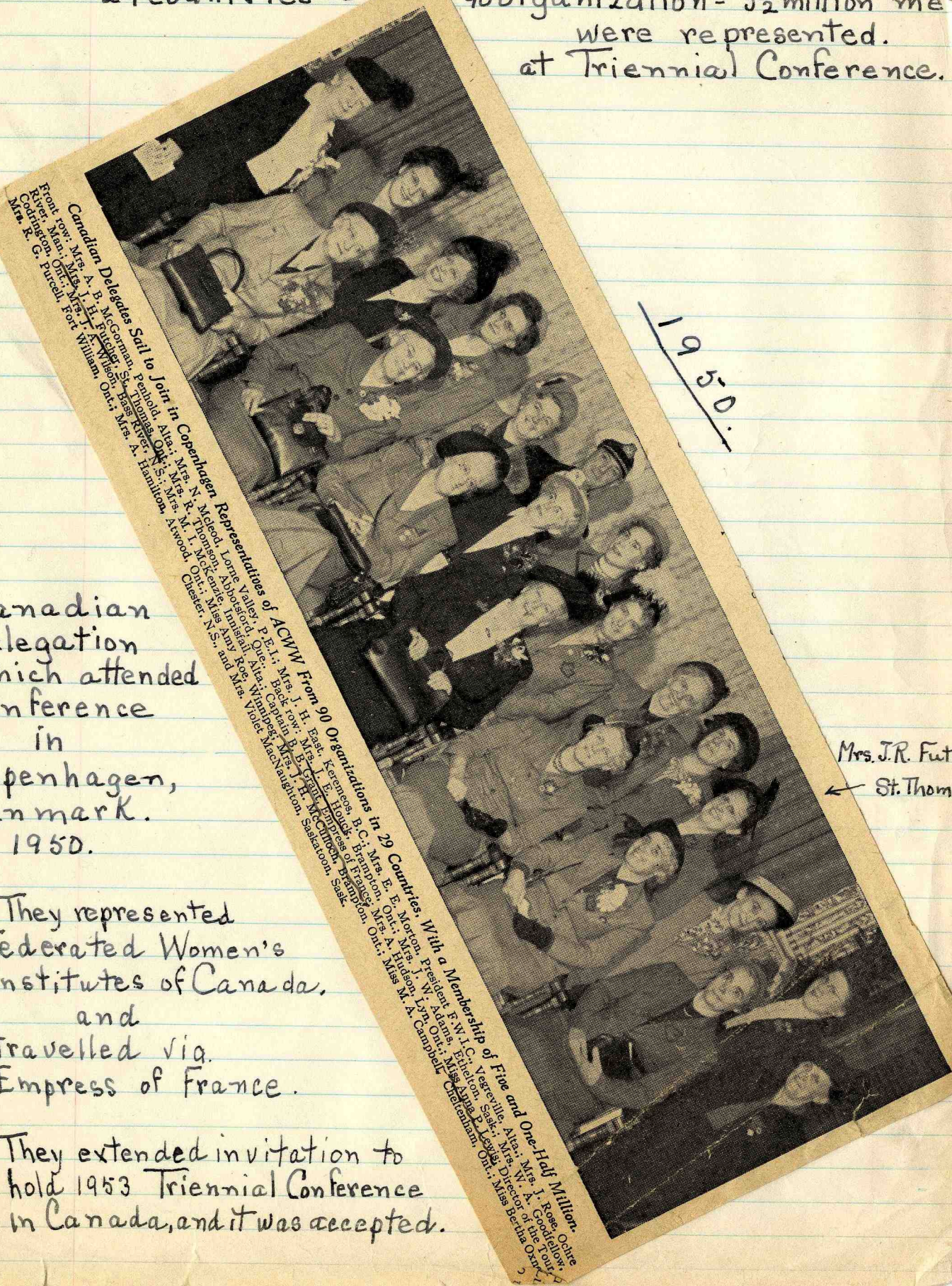
Associated Country Women of the World.
met in Copenhagen, Denmark in 1950.
29 countries - 90 organization - 5½ million members
were represented.
at Triennial Conference.

1950.

Canadian
Delegation
which attended
Conference
in
Copenhagen,
Denmark.
1950.

They represented
Federated Women's
Institutes of Canada,
and
travelled via
Empress of France.

They extended invitation to
hold 1953 Triennial Conference
in Canada, and it was accepted.



Mrs. J.R. Fletcher,
← St. Thomas, Ont.