

THE COVER

The design and material for the cover was chosen by the members of the Tweedsmuir History Book Committee. It was felt that simplicity should be its keynote. Hence only the words Tweedsmuir History, Bothwell's Corner, Ontario and the Women's Institute crest were selected. The material selected is a blue morocco leather with decorative gold lettering being used to follow, so far as possible, the Institute colours. The lining is a soft mottled leather in matching blue tones. All of the construction of the cover was done by committee members headed by Mrs. Bert King, chosen in this capacity because of her previous experience in leathercraft, and under the instruction of Mrs. Charles Agnew of Weston.

Due to his deep interest in the Bothwell's Corner Women's Institute since its inception, Mr. William Ormiston, the husband of our first secretary, upon his death on November 30, 1956, bequeathed to our Branch twenty-five dollars to be used at our discretion. Consequently, this sum was placed at the disposal of our Tweedsmuir History Book Committee for the purpose of constructing the cover of the book.

After careful consideration, the committee decided to make a leather cover. At the Area Convention in 1960 Mrs. Wilson Johnson spoke to Miss McKercher, Director of Extension, Home Economics Services for Ontario to inquire as to the availability of a course on book covers. As a result of this discussion an arrangement was made with Mrs. Charles Agnew, who gives instruction on advanced leathercraft to come to our branch in February 1961. Mrs. Wilbur Stonehouse very kindly opened her home for this project. Mrs. King was appointed by the committee to assume the major responsibility for the construction of the cover. Other committee members assisting were Mrs. Wilson Johnson, convener, Mrs. Thomas Stott, Mrs. Gordon MacPhatter, and Mrs. G. D. Hilts. The opinions of Mrs. Ted Whalen were invaluable throughout the whole procedure because of her knowledge of craft work.

A unique feature of this story is the fact that the Tweedsmuir History Book cover instruction, given at our request, was the first of its type to be conducted in Ontario.