

THE ORGANIZATION MEETING

Following a visit by Mrs. William Ormiston and Mrs. Allan Johnson to the home of Mrs. Fraser Lamont on February 19th, 1937, it was decided to form a Women's Institute. The need was felt for such an organization in order that the women could gather and discuss their problems. Because it was exactly forty years since the first Institute had been formed at Stoney Creek it was felt that this was an appropriate time to organize a new branch.

Mrs. Allan Johnson offered her home for a meeting on March 4th, 1937, for the purpose of organizing a Women's Institute branch. At this meeting seventeen women became members.

Something of interest about this organizational meeting was the fact that two men participated in the programme. Mr. Harold Bruin sang a solo, "Friend of Mine", and Mr. George Johnson favoured with a violin number.

The North Grey District President, Mrs. John Anderson, of R.R. #1, Bognor, and the Third Vice President of the District Mrs. Lorenzo Fulford, of R.R. #1, Balaclava, were present to organize the new branch. The name for this Women's Institute branch decided upon was, "Bothwell's Corner Women's Institute".

The officers elected were as follows:-

President -	Mrs. Fraser Lamont
Vice-President -	Mrs. Allan Johnson
Secretary-Treasurer -	Mrs. William Ormiston
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer -	Mrs. Joseph Peters
District Director -	Mrs. Neil Ferguson
Directors -	Mrs. Robt. J. Walter Mrs. John Long Mrs. Neil Ferguson Mrs. Edward (Ted) Whalen
Pianist -	Mrs. Joseph Peters
Assistant Pianist -	Mrs. Ted Whalen
Auditors -	Miss Gladys McKee Miss Ethel Marshall