

# Naming style criticized

EDMONTON (Staff) — Alberta Women's Institutes want the provincial government to stop renaming historic sites with modern names.

Delegates at the annual meeting objected to the change from Kananaskis Provincial Park to Lougheed Provincial Park announced by premier Don Getty. The Kananaskis name dates back to Captain John Palliser's visit to the valley in 1858. AWI also objected to the province's decision to give the Mount Allen resort the Cree name Nakiska, even though the area was formerly inhabited by the Stoney Indians.

Delegates passed a resolution requesting that any future name changes be taken out of the political arena and be referred to the appropriate bodies, the Canadian Permanent Committee on Geographical Names in Ottawa, the Alberta minister of culture and the Alberta Historic Sites Board.

The Getty government however, won AWI support for its decision to proceed with private

line telephone service to rural subscribers as announced in the throne speech. To remain competitive, the farmer needs access to up-to-the minute information on markets, prices and weather, the resolution states.

Delegates were concerned about the cuts in funds for agricultural research programs and urged both federal and provincial governments to invest more generously in this area.

They called for the minister of transport to introduce an education program on the new traffic cautionary signs indicating the kind of load a trucker is carrying. Many farmers aren't aware of the signs they are required to post when they are carrying flammable or toxic loads. Nor is the public aware of what the signs mean, AWI safety co-ordinator Dorothy Williams said.

Delegates also urged the provincial government to take immediate action to establish salvage and recycling depots for reusable wastes.