

**ALBERTA WOMEN'S INSTITUTES**  
**28th BIENNIAL**  
**CONVENTION**

**MAY 30th TO JUNE 2nd**  
**1955**

**University of Alberta**  
**Edmonton**



**FLAG SALUTE**

I salute the Flag  
The emblem of our Country  
And to her I pledge  
My love and loyalty

**PROGRESS THROUGH PEACE**



## CLUB WOMAN'S CREED

Keep us, O God, from pettiness; let us be large in thought, in word and deed.

Let us be done with fault-finding and leave off self-seeking.

May we put away pretence and meet each other face to face without self-pity and without prejudice.

May we never be hasty in judgment and always generous.

Teach us to put into action our better impulses, straightforward and unafraid.

Let us take time for all things; make us grow calm, serene, gentle.

Grant that we may realize that it is the little things that create differences; that in the big things of life we are one.

And may we strive to touch and to know the great human heart common to us all; and, O Lord God, let us not forget to be kind.

## **MONDAY MORNING**

*Presiding: Mrs. T. H. Howes*

- 9:00 Registration. Registration office open all day.
- 9:30 - 12:00 A.W.I. Workshop.

## **MONDAY AFTERNOON**

*Presiding: Mrs. S. Lefsrud*

- 1:30 Community Singing. Mrs. A. Martin, Sylvan Lake, pianist; Mrs. H. Murgatroyd, Innisfail, song leader.  
O Canada.  
Creed.
- 2:00 A.W.I. Council in action.
- 2:30 Question period and discussion.
- 3:15 Community singing.
- 3:20 Address: Mrs. V. G. Macdonald, Extension Service, Dept. of Agriculture.  
Question Period.
- 7:30 Receiving line.
- 8:00 - 9:30 Informal party.
- 9:30 Lunch.

## **TUESDAY MORNING**

*Presiding: Mrs. S. Lefsrud*

- 9:00 O Canada.  
Flag Salute.  
Creed  
One minute silence for departed members.  
Welcome by the President, Mrs. S. Lefsrud.

Greetings from Edmonton W.I., Mrs. J. P. White.

Greetings from the Province of Alberta, Hon. C. E. Gerhart.

Greetings from Mayor Hawrelak, Edmonton.

Greetings from the President of the University, Dr. A. Stewart.

Reply to all greetings, Mrs. G. L. Carnine, New Dayton.

Introduction of Mrs. J. W. Adams, President of F.W.I.C.

Introduction of Council members.

10:00 Appointment of Committees: Resolutions, Courtesy Nominations.

10:10 Community singing.

10:15 Minutes of 1953 Convention. Mrs. R. W. Prendergast.

10:30 President's report. Mrs. S. Lefsrud.

10:45 Vice-President's report. Mrs. T. H. Howes.

11:00 Secretary's report. Mrs. R. W. Prendergast.

11:15 Publicity: North, Mrs. T. H. Howes; South, Mrs. W. J. Ockley, Mrs. J. A. Campbell.

11:45 Report: Objectionable Literature, Mrs. M. K. Stiles.

## **TUESDAY AFTERNOON**

*Presiding:*

*Mrs. S. Lefsrud and Mrs. T. H. Howes*

1:30 Maple Leaf Forever.

Alberta.

1:45 Report of District 1. Mrs. D. S. Hayden.  
Discussion.

- 2:00 Report of District 2. Mrs. J. I. Jones.  
Discussion.
- 2:15 Piano Solo — Finlandia by Sibelius, Mrs.  
John Lefsrud.
- 2:30 Address: Through the Files, Mrs. J. W.  
Adams.
- 4:00 Radio Reports: Mrs. A. Vaillancourt, Peace  
River; Mrs. D. W. Patterson, Grande Prairie;  
Mrs. J. Richards, Red Deer; Mrs. W. R. Ford,  
Coutts.
- Convention Announcements.
- 4:30 Tree Planting Ceremony.  
Choir practice.  
Handicraft room open.
- 6:30 Banquet.
- 8:30 Presiding: Mrs. S. Lefsrud and Mrs. W. R.  
Ford.  
Community singing.  
Vocal solo.  
Musical selection.  
Address: Mrs. J. W. Adams, President of  
F.W.I.C.

### **WEDNESDAY MORNING**

*Presiding:*

*Mrs. S. Lefsrud and Mrs. D. S. Hayden*

- 9:00 Community singing.  
Creed.
- 9:15 Report of District 3. Mrs. S. Swainson.  
Discussion.

- 9:30 Report of District 4. Mrs. J. R. Tait.  
Discussion.
- 9:45 Report of District 5. Mrs. W. R. Ford.  
Discussion.
- 10:00 Musical selection.
- 10:05 Number question.
- 10:15 Library report. Mrs. A. B. McGorman.
- 10:30 Health report. Mrs. J. W. Olson.
- 10:45 Report on Arthritic and Rheumatism  
Society. Mrs. A. H. Rogers.
- 11:00 Address — Alberta School for the Deaf.  
Mr. Lawrence Broughton.  
Question Period.
- 11:45 Home & Country report. Mrs. M. L.  
Thompson.

### **WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON**

*Presiding:*

*Mrs. S. Lefsrud and Mrs. J. I. Jones*

- 1:30 Community singing.
- 1:40 Treasurer's report. Mrs. L. D. Smith.  
Discussion.
- 2:00 Handicraft report and presentation of  
shield. Mrs. E. Holt.
- 2:30 Education and Curriculum committee re-  
port. Mrs. S. Swainson.
- 2:45 Community singing.
- 2:50 Citizenship report. Mrs. W. J. Garnett.

- 3:05 Address — Status of Women re Property Rights and Wills. Dean Bowker.
- 3:45 Resolutions.
- 4:30 Book of Remembrance.
- 4:45 Presentation of Helen Morton Memorial.  
Handicraft room open all day.

### **WEDNESDAY EVENING**

*Presiding:*

*Mrs. S. Lefsrud and Mrs. S. Swainson*

- 7:30 Choirs, under the direction of Mrs. H. Murgatroyd.
- 8:00 Report of United Nations and Exchange Programs. Mrs. D. W. Patterson.
- 8:15 Report on Letter Friends. Mrs. W. MacFarlane.
- 8:25 Musical selection.
- 8:30 Address — United Nations. Mrs. K. G. Montgomery.  
Film — Paving Stones.

### **THURSDAY MORNING**

*Presiding:*

*Mrs. S. Lefsrud and Mrs. J. R. Tait*

- 9:00 Community singing.  
Creed.
- 9:15 Agriculture & Canadian Industries report.  
Mrs. H. Moonen.
- 9:30 Social Services report. Mrs. S. Lefsrud.

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- 9:45 Report of W.I. Girls' Clubs. Mrs. L. D. Handley.
- 10:00 Home Economics report. Mrs. A. McIlroy.
- 10:15 F.W.I.C. report. Mrs. T. H. Howes and Mrs. W. R. Ford.
- 10:30 Election of officers:  
 President Vice-President  
 Secretary Directors  
 Election of F.W.I.C. delegate.  
 Discussion on delegates to A.C.W.W.
- 11:30 A.W.I. projects.

## THURSDAY AFTERNOON

*Presiding:*

*Mrs. S. Lefsrud and Mrs. T. H. Howes*

- 1962-1963
- 1:30 Community singing.
- 1:40 Address — Books, Libraries and You. Mr. H. Newsom.
- 2:10 Resolutions.
- 2:30 C.A.C. report. Mrs. C. R. Wood.
- 3:00 Presentation of prizes — Tweedsmuir Histories Short Story.
- 3:15 Unfinished business.
- 3:45 Report of Courtesy Committee.  
 God Save the Queen.
- 8:00 Meeting of Retiring Council.
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## FRIDAY MORNING

- 9:30 Meeting of New Council.