

for neighborhood leaders:

The training she receives.

The fact that she can carry to her families the same information and encourage those women to become club members. The influence of home demonstration club work penetrates into every home.

And another advantage will be for the leader to represent her families and their needs to the club members. (The need for improved landlord relationships, improved housing, improved health, improved sanitation, etc.) This will add strength to the neighborhood leadership system.

The strong and weak in the Neighborhood Leadership System may be of interest to the readers of this report. There are more strong points than weak ones. The interviewers believe in the study and the whole system as a means of further extending Extension Work.

The following is copied from Dr. Winston's report of Neighborhood Leadership System in North Carolina:

"The important organization for women in the rural areas is the Home Demonstration Club. It has so successfully functioned throughout the state that it has constantly increased its number of local clubs and individual constituency. The Home Demonstration Club meetings in actual practice have proved to present opportunities of 'socializing' and of specific contacts which tie in well with the operation of neighborhood leadership. Existing organizations which can be utilized as a means of social interaction and of more specifically coming in contacts with the 'followers' are important in the functioning of rural leadership. Such an organization is the Home Demonstration Club with its widespread activities through the state. Fifty-six percent*

*Dr. Winston said we should feel highly complimented over these figures.

Booth No. 6 - A Completely Furnished Bedroom.

We considered this "Cotton for Better Bedding" exhibit one of the best and most practical we had had in many years.

The Woman's Department:

The State Home Demonstration serves as General Director of this department.

The department is open to any woman who wishes to exhibit canned goods, jelly, jams, pickles, cakes, pies, breads, dresses, aprons, smocks, bedspreads (crocheted and tufted), quilts, household linens, needle work, fancy embroidery, needlepoint for chairs and footstools. We are trying to teach standards in all products exhibited.

Judges have score cards as a guide in checking workmanship, design, color combinations, etc. Each year this department shows improvement.