

1929 Iowa Master Farm Homemakers Guild

Announcement was made here today of the five rural women of Iowa who are to be honored Oct. 17 as the 1929 Master Farm Homemakers of Iowa.

National, as well as state-wide, honor will come to these women since they will be Iowa's representatives among 100 outstanding farm women of the nation to receive the award this year. They are the second group ever named in the state.

The five women are: Mrs. Earl Watts, Shenandoah; Mrs. Ernest Schubert; Britt; Mrs. Richard L. Schmidt, Davenport; Mrs. Alva D. Miller, Shenandoah; and Mrs. Josephine S. Wiggers, Muscatine.

The Master Farm Homemaker honor will be conferred by The Farmer's Wife, national farm women's magazine of St. Paul, with the cooperation of the home economics extension service of Iowa State College, at the time of the American County Life association meeting here, Oct. 17-20. The purpose of the award is to recognize the contribution of all Iowa farm women to their families, to agriculture and to the nation, and to acknowledge their work as a profession worthy of the highest respect and honor.

Mrs. Earl Watts - IMFH Class of 1929

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When the award is made to Mrs. Watts, Iowa will have its first "Master Farm Family," for Mr. Watts is one of the state's Master Farmers.

Mrs. Watts believes that a successful homemaker shares the interests of the whole family, whether those interests be a litter of new pigs, a stack of wooden blocks, a cancelled mortgage or a college diploma. She thinks that a good disposition is more important than a spotless house and that a tired, cross woman cannot be a successful homemaker.

Mrs. Earnest Schubert - IMFH Class of 1929

Hancock County

Mrs. Schubert says, "There's no boss in our home - we don't need one, we're partners." When she and Mr. Schubert moved to the farm it was a jungle of brush and wild plum trees. Now it is one of the best landscaped farmsteads in the county. She makes \$1000 a year with standard bred chickens.

Mrs. Luella Miller - IMFH Class of 1929

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Mrs. Miller has been a Sunday School teacher for 15 years, a leader in home project and 4-H club work and president of a woman's club. One of her daughters was Iowa 4-H Queen last year and her son was junior com champion. Mrs. Miller measures success by the health of the family, by the kind of family raised and by the place the home fills in the community.

Mrs. Richard Schmidt - IMFH Class of 1929

Scott County

Mrs. Schmidt has nine children. Her chief ambition is for them to become "useful men and women, physical, mentally and spiritually able to make a success of their life work."

She was the first county chairman of women's work in the Farm Bureau, is a member of the county 4-H club committee, and helped standardize her rural school.

Mrs. G.W. Wiggers - IMFH Class of 1929

Muscatine County

Mrs. Wiggers has managed a farm of 113 acres since her husband's death. She has held six different offices in the Grange and has been county president of the farm bureau for two years.

One of Mrs. Wiggers' daughters was adjudged the best 4-H club girl of Muscatine County last year.