

MINUTES OF WORKING COMMITTEE OF AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN held Monday, 26th October, 1970 at 9:30 a.m. in the Drawing Room, Collins St., Independent Church Hall, Melbourne.

OPENING: The President, Mrs F. Ashton opened the meeting with greetings from Queensland W.I.C.C. As members were attending the service to be addressed by Mrs Selveratnam at 11 a.m. business was commenced immediately.

PRESENT: Mesdames F. Ashton (Chair), Stephens, Rogers, Saunders, Faichney, Coates, Strack, Duke, Deaconess F. McKechnie.

APOLOGY: Mrs A.W. Burton.

MINUTES of MEETING held Friday, 25th September, 1970 were confirmed.

- CORRESPONDENCE:**
1. Mrs Howie S.A. (2) including report
 2. Head Deaconess Mary Andrews - re costs of accomodation for National Committee Meeting.
 3. Mrs L. Warner - Vic. seeking permission to forward report later. Suggestions re National Committee meeting.
 4. Mrs Butler - N.S.W. sending copy of "Span" which included Miss Kafa's photograph.
 5. Church Women United magazine.
 6. ACC Annual Meeting Minutes.

FINANCE: The Treasurer Mrs Stephens presented the following statement which was adopted. (Statement from September 25th to October 25.)

RECEITS	EXPENDITURE				
Balance 25.9.70	3269.41	3269.41	W. Kiek S'ship	24.00	24.00
<u>F'ship L.C.</u>					
Casterton/Coleraine C.W.F.	4.40				
Woorinen Ch. of C.					
L. Guild	5.76				
Jannoli Meth. C.					
Aid	2.31				
Toukley M.C. Aid	3.80	16.27			
<u>W. Kiek S'ship Fund</u>					
Cong. W.F.W.A.	21.00				
W.I.C.C. Tas.	35.76	56.76			
<u>F'ship Day</u>					
W.I.C.C. Tas Orders of Service	12.50				
<u>Offerings</u>					
N.S.W.W.I.C.C.	192.75				
W.I.C.C. Tas.	30.00				
Canb. C.W.	40.00	262.75			
<u>Community Day</u>					
Canberra C.W. Orders of Service	1.80	1.80			
<u>O'seas Fund</u>					
W.I.C.C. Tas.	15.00	15.00			
<u>Scribal Pens</u>					
N.S.W. W.I.C.C.	100.00	100.00			
	<u>\$ 3734.49</u>	<u>3734.49</u>		<u>\$3734.49</u>	<u>\$3734.49</u>

\$5 petty cash for Mrs Rogers for Publications was passed for payment and also allowance for Miss Kafa.

WINIFRED KIEK SCHOLARSHIP:

In the absence of Mrs Burton the Secretary reported that she and Mrs Burton has seen Miss Kafa off when she left Victoria for N.S.W., Canberra and Queensland, before she returns home. Letters of appreciation of Miss Kafa's visit to Tasmania had been received and a donation of \$35 from W.I.C.C. of Tasmania had been received. Miss Kafa will write a report on her year in Australia for the Committee.

Miss Kafa was met, accommodated & taken to a party making a portable as well as some other arrangements.

MINUTES OF A.C.W. WORKING COMMITTEE

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PUBLICITY: Deaconess McKechnie would try to have news ready to go out with the Minutes.

UNITED CHURCHES: Deaconess McKechnie reported that a United Conference was being held in N.Australia. Deaconess Stevenson was to be in charge of Katherine, as the Padre had been taken out.

FELLOWSHIP OF THE LEAST COIN: Mrs Strack reported that Circle of Prayer Volume IV was still not available in Australia. It was hoped that it would soon reach here.

BALL POINT PENS: Mrs Saunders reported that she still had 2,000 pens in hand.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING 1971:

The Secretary and President to act as a Sub-committee and report to next meeting with the ACW report. An indication would be obtained at next meeting of Working Committee members able to attend the National Comm. Meeting. It was suggested that Victoria be contacted re special fares to N.S.W.

GENERAL BUSINESS: Thanks were expressed to Mrs Strack for her help in arranging Mrs Selveratnam's plane itinerary. Thanks are also due to Mrs Morrow (S.A.) and Mrs Jones of the Churches of Christ Women's Fellowship. It was passed that \$36 paid by Mrs Strack be reimbursed, (Fare to Queensland) for Mrs Selveratnam).

GENERAL BUSINESS: The President reported on her visit to Queensland and was grateful for the opportunity of meeting with the Q.W.I.C.C.

NEXT MEETING: Friday, 20th November, 1970 at 10 a.m. at 100 Flinders St., Melbourne.

CONFIRMED:

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During the morning the meeting adjourned so that the members of the Working Committee could attend the service arranged by the W.I.C.C. of Victoria for Mrs Rathie Selveratnam. At the end of the service the Working Committee entertained Mrs Selveratnam, her sister Mrs Eleiser, Mrs R. Oldmeadow and Miss L. Oldmeadow (who had provided transport for Mrs Selveratnam), Mrs L. Ackland (President V.W.I.C.C.), Mrs Warner (Sec.), Mrs H. Downes (Convener of F.L.C.D), the Rev. B. Reddrop (Chairman of Committee on Co-operation) to lunch. Opportunity was taken for Mrs Selveratnam to speak individually with members of the Committee and to speak to the Committee as a whole on changes taking place among Asian women. A teaspoon, with a map of Australia in opal chips, was given to Mrs Selveratnam as a memento of her visit to Australia.

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