

Minutes of Council Meeting of Australian Church Women N.S.W. Unit
held at 139 Castlereagh St. on Mon. 20th March, 1978.

The President welcomed all to the meeting and thanked them for making the effort on such an unpleasant day, the weather delaying many people in travelling. However 27 ladies signed the attendance book, Mrs. Sumner had travelled from Blackheath. Mrs. Brig. Pettet was welcomed as a new Salvation Army member.

Devotional: Mrs. Brig. Pettet was welcomed as a new Salvation Army member. Mrs. Lt. Col Baker had a reading and comment on 1 Cor. 3, V.9, and prayers followed.

Apologies. Mrs. Pent who was not at all well, Major Venables, Mrs. Griffiths, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Dougherty, Mrs. Stiborowich, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Bates, Mrs. Nixon, Brig. Mabel Ward were welcomed for the first time.

Minutes. The minutes of the meeting 20th Feb. were read and confirmed.

Business Arising. The necessary documents had been found for the letter to be written to Y.W.C.A. re "Wybbelene" retaining the name in their future plans.

Correspondence. Inwards.

Return thanks Commissioner Pindred, Salvation Army Brig. Smith invitation Home League, Regent Theatre 28th April 1p.m. Guest speaker, Mrs. Arnold Brown. Chorus.

Salvation Army. Invite Official Retirement Lt. Col. and Mrs. Baker 30th March. 7:35p. Parramatta.

Salvation Army. 8 Repr. including 3 new ones.

A.C. C. Request for Annual Report. Major Stelstra.

Working Committee. Master Copies Fellowship Day Orders of Service. Report on Narmada Education Academy, Satara, India. Request orders for volume of Circle of Prayer, and new W.K.S. Leaflets to be sent as soon as available, for distribution with Fellowship Day Orders of Service. Minutes of Meeting Feb. and Women at Work Feb. Catalogue from Trading Partners.

Outwards. Letter Pitt St. Thanks for use of Property and booking for discussion group.

The Correspondence was received.

Mrs. Baker indicated the Winifred Vick Scholar, who was to have been a guest today had not arrived in Australia to date.

Finance Report. The monthly statement was given. During the month transferred \$1500 from savings investment A/c to make necessary payments, to National Ctee. Total of \$2,357:36 paid for F.L.C. \$2,153:87 \$67:55 \$456:98 \$379:84

The F.L.C. \$500 up on last year. The offering at Pitt St. Service was \$37 F.L.C. Donation to Pitt St. Church \$40.

The financial statement was received.

\$500 authorised withdrawal from investment A/c for printing of leaflets and services F.L.C. Mrs. Stanhope conducted this in Mrs. Pent's absence, and she also speaks at Northside speaking engagements, while Mrs. Pent speaks at others on the south.

W.K.S. Deaconess Andrews reported Tarita Das back in Darce, after tour of South East Asia, 4 months. It was unknown what had been the delay in Barket Dass plans, she had been due on 25th Feb. from Karachi. Prayers were offered, for Scholarship holders, including Violet Campa, previous scholar from Zambia.

Publicity. Report of Feb. Service was sent to all denominational papers, if possible please cut out for the scrapbook Mrs. Curtin had started report by Mrs. McCann.

Promotions. Mrs. Lean reported master copies for Fellowship Day in printer's hands, 14 country and 14 city branches, had been marked for Nos. required. Parcels to be brought to next meeting for suburbs. Promotions leaflet hoped to be available next month, hoping to start more groups, people are asked to help in contact. Mrs. Heather Stevens was welcomed as Special Days Convenor, who thanked the Unit for printing for Queensland and Northern Territory. Reports were received.

The Secretary reported on the discussion group, and indicated another 5 weeks had been planned at Pitt St. Uniting Church, from 3rd April - 1st May inclusive, on "Discipleship Studies" from the Aust. Council of Churches, anyone was invited who wished to come, and later a report would be sent in, which could be forwarded to the Working Committee on the "Theme" suggested "Simpler Lifestyle."

Nomination papers were made available to Council members for April Annual Meeting, and anyone was invited to nominate for positions, (suggested Promotions and Publicity might work in close co-operation.)

Mrs. Mc Cann gave details of her Installation and Annual Service, on May 29th at 10.30a.m. in Archer St. Our Lady of Colours Church Chatswood. Refreshments and fellowship afterwards in the Presbyterian Hall along Kirk St. Invitations to be available at April meeting. Everyone to be supplied with name tags, stick on. Everyone was happy with the new venue for Council meetings. Deaconess Andrews then shared her experiences and explained the details of the Report sent to Council from the Working Committee on the Marmada Education

Academy, prepared by Mr. A. Grey. This project being the one set up and worked by Miss Kalpana Airan, a former Winifred Yick Scholar, who had studied under Mr. Grey in Sydney.

Council then resolved to agree to the Working Committee's suggestion that the Satara Project be the project for the World Community Day Offering this year.

~~Miss Mitchell moved the vote of thanks to Deaconess for her interpretation of the report, and telling us of her own visit to Satara.~~

Mrs. Stolz asked if a copy of Deaconess's talk could be prepared for the Working Committee, so that it might be circulated in whatever way it sees fit. The meeting resolved that this be done, if possible.

The meeting closed with the Benediction, at 12:30p.m.

Confirmed. *Gladys M. Bent*.....
17th April, 1978.