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WOMEN'S INTER-CHURCH  
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### Annual Report for the year ending April 30th, 1957

In addition to the Annual Rally and the Annual Community Day eight ordinary meetings and seven executive meetings were held during the year. Attendances were well maintained, and a deep sense of fellowship and of mutual respect and understanding was realised.

The Annual Rally was held in the Salvation Army Congress Hall when Mrs. Lt-Colonel Garlick assumed office and was presented with the official Bible by the retiring President, Mrs. H. Lowry. The speaker was Mrs. H. Wells, who took as her theme "The Candle of the Lord" (Proverbs 20, 27. The spirit of man is the Candle of the Lord), and spoke in an inspiring way of the means by which this Divine flame can be maintained and strengthened. A delightful afternoon tea was served in the social Hall by the Congress Hall ladies.

Community Day on September 26th was disappointing only in the small attendance. The morning was devoted to a study of the Epistle to the Philippians, different aspects being ably introduced by Mrs. Brigadier Smartt, Mrs. Gifford and Mrs. Lew.. In the afternoon Mrs. G. Young spoke on work being done with the Asian students in New South Wales. Our thanks are due to these speakers, to the Lyceum Club for permission to hold the meeting in their club rooms, and to the members of the staff for the admirable arrangements for morning tea and lunch.

At a number of the ordinary meetings guest speakers were invited to give short addresses so that members could learn something of different aspects of church and social work. Among these were :-

Lt-Colonel Garlick speaking on "Rehabilitation of Prisoners".

Mrs. Latham, vice-president of the Methodist World Federation, who gave a talk on her recent visit to a conference in the United States.

Major Knudsen, manager of the Foster Street Men's Home, who spoke on "Work in a world of destitute men".

Mrs. Colonel Howard gave a very helpful address on "Trust"

Our thanks are due to those speakers and to those of our members who have represented us on affiliated societies and have reported to us matters that have been discussed at meetings of these Societies.

In June 1956 the Council arranged a visit to the British Migrant Hostel at Dundas, when afternoon tea was provided and a musical programme arranged. We also arranged an afternoon tea following a Naturalization ceremony at the Town Hall. On this latter occasion the Congress Hall Ladies gave wonderful assistance, even providing each of the women guests with a posy, which was greatly appreciated by all the recipients.

We are grateful to the British and Foreign Bible Society for the use of the Board Room at Bible House for our meetings, and to Mr. Ian Hunt who has acted as honorary legal adviser.

Above all we are grateful to our President for her inspiring leadership, and to those hard-working members of the Hostel and the Appeals Committees who have given so much time and effort to the care and financing of the Hostel.

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##### Financial Statement to 30th April, 1957

By/	RECEIPTS	To/	EXPENDITURE
Credit Balance, 31/5/56	5 6 9	Printing Reports	9 18 0
Collection at Rally	9 13 6	Printing Rally Circulars	2 2 9
Affiliation Fees from Churches	9 9 0	Cost Rally Programmes	2 16 0
Associate Membership Fee	5 0	Affiliation to Organisations	6 16 0
Donations	2 10 0	Cost Presentation Flowers	1 8 0
'Wybalena' Hostel C'tee		Circulars Community Day	1 16 0
prop'n cost of Reports	3 6 0	Cost of Letterheads	2 18 6
'Wybalena' Appeals Committee Quota	3 6 0	Hire City Mission Hall for Social for Migrants following Naturalization Ceremony	2 0 0
Proceeds Opportunity Table	1 5 0	Donation Bible Society	1 1 0
Bank Interest to June 1956	4 1	Credit Balance, as per Pass Book	4 9 1
	<u>£ 35 5 4</u>		<u>£ 35 5 4</u>

R. A. Diarmid

Hon. Treasurer

"WYBALENA" APPEAL COMMITTEE  
ANNUAL REPORT - APRIL 1957

The last year has again shown what can be accomplished by hard work and determination.

To Mrs. Miller, our President, go our very special thanks. She has worked unstintingly throughout the year in more ways than it is possible to tell and has, by her own enthusiasm, encouraged and inspired the members of the Committee.

A most delightful afternoon was held at the Bible House on August 15th, when a Flower Demonstration was given by Mrs. Flitton. It was a great success and the financial result was £32.11.6.

The Rose Day Buttons were again handled by Mrs. Hall who, with a noble band of Helpers, raised the sum of £43.19.4. This is a very tiring job of work and our grateful thanks go to those Members who co-operated so willingly.

This year instead of our usual Christmas Calendar, a Christmas Greeting Card was printed containing eight Recipes. It proved most popular - 500 Cards being sold.

In November a Christmas Fiesta was held and took the form of a "Bring and Buy" Gift Afternoon. A programme of Songs and Carols was arranged and Miss Lorna Byrne, who conducts the Country Hour Radio Session, gave a most delightful talk. It was a very happy function and the financial result was £34.4.9.

On March 22nd in the Ferguson Memorial Hall a most successful afternoon both socially and financially was held. There was a large attendance when Madame Seki, wife of the Japanese Consul, gave a demonstration of Japanese Floral Arrangement. Madame Seki was most charming and showed her audience what could be done with just a few flowers from the garden. £61.2.6.

The Auxiliaries have again stood by the Appeal Committee, and we take this opportunity of thanking all their members for their loyal support. Our Treasurer has received during the year, £150 from these good folk.

We were glad to welcome a deputation from the Southern Tablelands Auxiliary at the Hostel in November. Afternoon Tea was served and an opportunity given to Members to view the Garden Seat presented by the Auxiliary. This is a Memorial to their late



"WYBALENA" HOSTEL COMMITTEE

ANNUAL REPORT - May 10th, 1957

This year has been one of steady progress. The room at the rear of the building has been completed and necessary repairs and replacements attended to.

Mrs. McCallum and Miss Doughty continue to serve with the help of Mrs. Lindner and Mrs. Murray as casuals. Miss Roseby and her sister spent a period at the Hostel during Christmas, and Mrs. Hall stayed a week after that while Mrs. McCallum was away. Mrs. Hall has also taken charge at other times during the year. We are grateful for their service.

The Hostel Committee consists of the following representatives from the N.S.W. Women's Inter-Church Council :- Mrs. Lieut-Col. Garlick, Miss Roseby, Mrs. Briggs and Miss McDiarmid (all ex-officio); Mesdames Deane, Paterson, Hall, Palmer and Brigadier Lewis; and, representing the Appeals Committee:- Mesdames Millar, Wyper, Payten, McKenzie, and Knight.

The Southern Tablelands Auxiliary presented the Hostel with a stone seat in memory of their late esteemed President who passed away the previous year.

Mr. Willis, Plumber, submitted an approximate quote for new, and repair work on guttering and downpipes. This was accepted.

Owing to the high cost of living and higher rate of interest we are obliged to pay on the mortgage we were reluctantly compelled to raise the board 5/-, to £4 weekly as from 1st January this year.

It was with profound regret that we had to report the death of Margory Vine, a resident at the Hostel for several years. Margory was a fine girl, and is greatly missed.

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In conclusion, we wish to record our appreciation of Mrs. Deane's leadership and of the fine work of the committee.

E. Knight.

Hon. Secretary.

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Statement of Receipts and Expenditure - 1956/1957.

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			<u>RECEIPTS</u>		
Mutual Life & Citizens' Ass. Co. Ltd:			Bank Balance 1956	188	8 10
Instalments	370	0 0	Boarders' Fees	2814	17 3
Interest	178	6 9	Donations (mostly from Appeals C'tee and Church Guilds)	387	4 0
Renovations and Repairs	223	15 6	Bank Interest	6	1 7
Expenses including Gas, Electricity and Rates	279	17 5			
Furniture	41	14 6			
Housekeeping	1385	16 7			
Telephone	51	6 1			
Salaries	744	0 0			
Bank Balance 1957	121	14 10			
	<u>£3,396</u>	<u>11 8</u>		<u>£ 3,396</u>	<u>11 8</u>

S. St.A Sandiford

Auditor.

The balance owing to the M.L.C. is now £3,115.

It is to be noted that this year, 1956/7, includes only 11 months.