

ceum Club Rooms on the 1st May, 1959.

The Annual Button Day in October was organised by Mrs. Hall who always does this job so well. Unfortunately the very wet weather was responsible for fewer sales—nevertheless a good result was obtained, namely £31/12/6, and our thanks go to those willing workers who assisted Mrs. Hall.

Mrs. Millar organised and arranged the distribution of the Christmas cards which again proved a very great success both artistically and financially, £41/7/6.

We were indeed happy to know that Miss Roseby was honoured in the last Queen's Birthday Honours List and the sincere congratulations of the Committee were extended to our true and loyal friend, Miss G. A. Roseby, O.B.E.

In February the Inter Church Council Members were invited to hold their meeting at the Hostel and to have a basket lunch with the Committee—it was possible then for the Inter Church Council Members to see what had been accomplished at Wybalena.

A cheque for £75 from the Gillespie Trust has been received and acknowledged with thanks.

The Auxiliaries still continue to function—some not very actively. Mosman

has not yet been able to forward any donation this year but still has a small credit balance—as their report will show.

The Southern Tablelands Auxiliary, Moss Vale, has unfortunately had to go into recess owing to the resignation of the President of the Committee and the ill-health of the Secretary, but we have every assurance that they will be re-organising their auxiliary during the year.

Western Suburbs has been working steadily and we congratulate them on their achievements. The Treasurer's report will prove to the meeting that the Committee has worked hard to achieve the financial position which now obtains.

In conclusions, I would like to say it has been a pleasure to work with such an ardent and happy group of committee members.

We are all highly appreciative of the unfailing enthusiasm and support of Miss Roseby and Mrs. Millar, our Treasurers Mrs. Payten and Mr. Hall, who toil with tiresome figures trying to reduce overdrafts, and to all members who work so diligently—a thank you to you all and may God continue to bless our work.

Women Citizens' "Wybalena" Hostel Appeal Committee Receipts and Expenditure for Year Ended 31st March, 1959

RECEIPTS			EXPENDITURE		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Refund for Carpet	120	0 0	Payment for Overdraft	450	0 0
Gillespie Trust Donation	75	0 0	Refund of Loans—		
Christmas Calendars	45	7 6	Miss G. A. Roseby £50, Mrs.		
United Charities and Button			Briggs £50	100	0 0
Day	31	8 7	Printing for Tickets and		
Mosman Auxiliary	30	0 0	Christmas Calendars	34	5 7
Miss Trickett's Afternoon 9/58	29	0 2	Bible Society, Rent of Hall	7	10 0
Social Afternoon 3/59	28	9 0	Materials, etc., for Sales		
Donations	20	8 0	Tables	6	10 0
Moss Vale Auxiliary	20	0 0	Telephone, Stamps, Station-		
Bank Interest	1	10 6	ery, Etc.—Mrs. M. Miller		
			£5/2/-, Mrs. A. Payten		
Total Receipts	£401	3 9	£3/10/-	8	12 0
Balance brought forward,			Lyceum Club Christmas Gift	1	1 0
April 1, 1958	226	11 5	Flowers for Artists	10	0 0
ALEXANDRE PAYTEN, Hon. Treas.			Total Payments	608	8 7
P. McDOUGALL, A.C.I.S., A.A.S.A.,			Balance Carried Forward,		
Hon. Auditor.			Mar. 31	19	6 7
	£627	15 2		£627	15 2

N.S.W. WOMEN'S INTER-CHURCH COUNCIL

Annual Report for the Year Ending April 30th, 1959

This report on the activities of the past year is presented with a feeling of deep thankfulness to our Heavenly Father for Divine help and guidance in all our undertakings and for the signs that this Council is entering on a period of wider influence and greater usefulness.

The Annual Rally was held in Ferguson Hall, St. Stephen's on Friday, 27th June 1958, when the incoming President, Mrs. E. H. Vines, assumed office. It was appropriate that this function, marking the twentieth year of the Council's life, was held in the same place as the inaugural meeting. The speaker at the Rally was Mrs. Commissioner Coutts, who took as her subject "The Family in a Changing World". At the close of the meeting afternoon tea was served by members of the Presbyterian Women's Association.

The Annual Community Day was held at the Friends' Meeting House on Friday, 26th September. The subject for the day was "The Growth of the Idea of Brotherhood". In the morning Miss M. J. Steel outlined the Old Testament background and Mrs. B. R. Wyllie gave the Christian basis of the idea. After a basket lunch Mrs. F. W. Coaldrake spoke on "Christian Brotherhood on Trial in Asia". The three addresses, presenting different aspects of the subject, together gave an informative and stimulating survey.

At our ordinary meetings we have been privileged to hear addresses by Miss Luker on Mission Work in Northern Rhodesia.

Rev. David Torvell on Inter-Church Aid.

Rev. W. J. Hobbin on Some Aspects of Gambling.

After hearing the figures presented by Mr. Hobbin the Council decided to appoint a small sub-committee to consider what we can do to arouse the community, and particularly church

members, to the evils of gambling and especially of poker machines.

We have continued our affiliation with a number of church and women's organizations and our thanks are due to those members who have represented us and have furnished regular reports, keeping us informed of the activities of these bodies.

During the year we have assisted at some of the parties given by the Good Neighbour Council for recently arrived migrants. We also arranged a very happy party for elderly migrants which was given at the Presbyterian Club and attended by about 70 elderly migrants.

This year the February meeting was held at Wybalena Hostel, Burwood. This gave members an opportunity to inspect the Hostel and to share a basket lunch after the meeting. The innovation was so successful that a repetition in other years would be worth consideration.

Last July we were saddened by the death of a past President and very active member of the Council, Mrs. Annie Deans. We give thanks to God for the inspiration of her life and for her unfailing cheerful friendliness.

We are grateful to the British and Foreign Bible Society for permission to hold our meetings in the Board Room, Bible House; and also to those speakers who have come to us. Our thanks are also due to our honorary auditors, and to those hard working members of the Hostel and the Appeal Committees who have given so much time and effort to the care of the Hostel. Above all we are grateful to our President for her leadership and for the willingness with which she has met all the calls made upon her. We thank God for the sense of real fellowship and for the mutual respect and understanding that have been present in all our work.

E. D. BRIGGS,

Hon. Sec.

N.S.W. Women's Inter-Church Council
Financial Statement to 30th April, 1959

RECEIPTS			EXPENDITURE		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
By Credit Balance, 30th April 1958	3	4	To Duplicating Circulars for Rally	18	0
" Affiliation Fees from Churches	8	8	" Printing Annual Reports—The Suburban Herald	12	18
" Associate Membership Fees	15	0	" Printery	2	2
" Collection at Rally	11	5	" Circulars for Community Day	2	9
" Appeal Committee 1/3rd cost of Annual Reports	4	6	" Cost of Letterheads	2	9
" Wybalena Hostel Committee quota towards Reports	4	6	" Affiliations to outside Organisations	7	6
" Balance from Expenses of Community Day	18	0	" Donation to Bible Society	3	3
" Bank Interest	1	5	" Credit Balance, as per Pass Book	4	5
	£33	3		£33	3
	8			8	

D. GRANT,
 Chart. Acct. (Aust.), Hon. Auditor.

R. McDAIRMID,
 Hon. Treas.

N.S.W. WOMEN'S INTER-CHURCH COUNCIL

'Wybalena' Hostel, Annual Report

In presenting this report we give thanks to our Heavenly Father for His leading during the past year.

At the beginning of the year it was decided to hold our hostel meetings bi-monthly, as most members travel a considerable distance to attend; if anything of importance occurs between meetings members are called together after the W.I.C.C. meeting to discuss same.

Miss Doughty continues to serve in a praiseworthy manner as Matron with the assistance of Miss McKenzie. Mrs. Lock, our previous Assistant Matron, relinquished her position at the end of last year. The salaries of the Matron and Assistant Matron were increased by 10/- per week.

An electric refrigerator and food mixer has been installed, and the gas refrigerator put in the laundry for the use of the girls.

The building was re-wired and extra power points put in for bed lamps, thus eliminating the danger of having flex cord attached from centre globes.

A letter was sent to the Minister of Social Services in Canberra asking him to try to bring down legislation to subsidise hostels for young people as the

Government does for aged people's homes, but received a negative reply. It was decided to wait until after the elections to write again, and to ask the Directors of Social Services in the various Church Groups to send follow up letters. Many more Christian hostels are needed to house students from the country or from interstate.

Miss Roseby has been able to attend several meetings during the year, and whether she is there or not, we always have the financial statement. The hostel is in a sound financial position, and with grateful thanks to the Appeal Committee the amount of £3475 has been paid off the mortgage, leaving a balance of £2025.

It was with profound regret we had to accept the resignation of our beloved chairman, Mrs. Brig. Lewis, owing to her transfer to Bathurst. Mrs. Lewis gave excellent service to the Hostel, and we miss her very much.

We thank the Committee for the service it renders, and the staff who look after the spiritual as well as the physical welfare of the residents.

E. KNIGHT,
 Hon. Secretary.

WYBALENA HOSTEL COMMITTEE
Receipts and Payments for Year Ended April 30th, 1959

RECEIPTS			EXPENDITURE		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Bank Balance, May 1, 1958	322	10	Salaries and Wages	1155	19
Cash in Hand, May 1, 1958	11	18	Housekeeping	1136	16
Boarders' Fees, including Telephone	3586	0	Mutual Life & Citizens' Assurance Co. Ltd.: Instalments	£870	0
Donations: Appeal Committee £450 Church Guilds £41/1/9	491	1	Interest	155	4
Bank Interest	3	0		1025	4
	£4414	10	Renovations, Repairs and Furniture	413	3
	9		Gas and Electricity	231	10
			Rates and Insurance	133	16
			Telephone	78	16
			Committee Expenses	10	6
			Total Payments	4185	12
			Bank Balance, April 30, 1959	187	12
			Cash in Hand, April 30, 1959	41	5
				£4414	10
				9	

The balance owing to the M.L.C. Assurance Co. Ltd. is £2025.

G. A. ROSEBY,
 Hon. Treasurer.

P. McDOUGALL,
 A.C.A.S., A.A.S.A., Hon. Auditor

ANNUAL REPORT OF WYBALENA HOSTEL APPEAL COMMITTEE

FOR YEAR ENDING 6th MAY, 1959

Acting on behalf of the Secretary of the Appeal Committee, Mrs. W. Wyper, who is on leave of absence abroad, I wish to present the Secretary's Report.

Wybalena Hostel has been in existence seven years, the opening day being 15th March, 1952. The year just concluded has been a successful one and the Committee has worked steadily and to good purpose under the capable leadership of their President, Mrs. Millar and willing Members.

The overdraft has been substantially reduced and necessary financial commitments of the Hostel have been paid.

The hostel has been able to accommodate 21 girls—its full capacity—throughout the year, and we feel the girls have been comfortably housed and well cared for under the capable guidance of their Matron, Miss Doughty, and her staff.

We deeply regret the passing of one of our oldest Committee Members on the 21st July, 1958—Mrs. Annie Beatrice Deans, wife of the Rev. Absalom Deans, a devoted worker and one who had done so much to further the work of

the Hostel. Her work will always be remembered.

We also received with regret the resignation of another member, Mrs. Bryce, who, owing to illness, has had to cease her membership.

The Appeal Committee has held three Social Functions this year and has organised the sale of fancy goods, jams, etc., to augment funds on these occasions.

The first was held in September, 1958 when Miss Joyce Trickett gave a most entertaining Recital—the subject "The Trouble with Men." This was held in the Bible House.

The second in March, 1959 was a most interesting account of an Eastern tour by Miss Lorna Byrne of the A.B.C.—Assisting Artist, Mrs. Ossie Hart—who added the light touch with several of her amusing monologues.

The third was a picture and travel talk by Mrs. Persia Porter of her recent trip to Hong Kong and Japan. Mrs. M. Morris sang some delightful songs which added to the enjoyment of the whole programme. This was held at the Ly-