

Minutes of Meeting NSW W.I.C. Council held at Bible House, Sydney, on 27th September, 1968 at 10.30 am.

Opening Prayers: were led by our President, Mrs Gilbert and a welcome extended to Mrs. Ivy Walker (Methodist) and Miss Gertrude Lambert (Society of Friends) who are new members of Council.

Apologies were received from M/s. Stoly, Mc Dougall, Haskins, Sharpe, Jessup, Misses Allen & Castanay and Col. Cross and Major Smith.

Minutes of the August Meeting were read - with permission to abbreviate certain reports.

Correspondence was received and dealt with as read:

1. Long. Women's Fellowship - invitation to Annual Meeting & advising 1968/9 representatives to Council. Mrs Gilbert to represent.
2. Salvation Army - Retirement from W.I.C.C. of Mrs. Lt. Col. G.K. Baker.
3. Society of Friends - appointment of three representatives to Council - Miss G. Lambert.
4. Mrs. Allen - returns thanks
5. V.W.C.A. invitation to Hostels Day - Mrs. Cook to represent.

Brief
Reports

were received from.

1. Finance: Mrs. Perrian reported General Fund at \$135.81, Fellowship of Least Coin \$67.58 and Project Fund \$305.81

Approval was given to payments to WCTU \$2; National Council of Women \$10 and Literature A \$7.50

Wybala

Mrs. Miller reported briefly on the progress of the Committee's investigation of the Dunbar Lang and Y. W. C. A. projects.

Promotions

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Mrs. Ralph presented the written report from this Committee, a party four of whom had visited Montford on Committee's behalf, where Mrs. Norco addressed some 300 Methodist women. The fact that Jackie Kine was able to accompany the team and meet the Montford ladies was much appreciated.

Details of World Community Day Services were outlined and copies of the Newsletter were available.

Following discussion at its September meeting

Promotions Committee recommended.

" 1. That each denomination be asked to appoint (as some already do) a particular representative out of the eight, and a deputy, to be responsible for reporting to that denomination and to be

the official liaison officer of Inter. Church Councils."

It is felt that at the same time suggestions could be made, as follows,

"It would increase the effectiveness of the Council if each denomination, where possible included in its 8 representatives [2 who hold positions on their State executive; 2 who would be their Council's deputy; 2 who would be available to hold office on Council or its committees or to represent the Council on other bodies. 2 who are able to help the establishment of local branches of the Council."

2. "That the State women's organization of the Lutheran Church be invited to become full members of the Council."

Resolutions ① and ② were moved by Mrs. Ralph, seconded Mrs. Gamme and carried unanimously. As there were no objections to the draft constitution submitted to denomination it was moved Mrs. Ralph, seconded Mrs. Briggs that the new constitution be adopted.

GENERAL BUSINESS: Sympathetic concern at the continued illness of our Membership Secretary

Mrs Margaret Jessup was expressed and our good greetings and prayers for recovery to full health was asked to be conveyed by the Secretary. In Mrs Jessup's absence Mrs Koel offered to act on her behalf.

WELCOME was expressed by Mrs Gilbert to Archdeacon Graham Dalbridge who had arrived to tell us of the Upsala Assembly of the 240 member churches of the W.C.C. The Archdeacon explained the membership of the Council and the function of the various General staff men and gave the background setting to the Assembly with word pictures of Sweden and the Swedish people before introducing us to some of the many discussions and experience of the sessions. Some of his turns of phrase will long remain with us because of their penetrating truths. "The W.C.C. representatives are the salt and light for God at W. Nations" "Upsala was about men because of God's love for man" "It was a world meeting on world level dealing with world problems" "gratitude to Christ and attitude to other people". Question time proved most interesting and lively.

Chowre A very uplifting, enriching and enlightening meeting concluded at 12.15 pm when Mrs Gilbert thanked the Archdeacon on Council's behalf - and the benediction was pronounced.

W. Darghady
Secretary

President
B. Badger
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