

REPORT OF AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN N.S.W. UNIT

1981-1982

Meetings have been well attended during 1981. Each Council Meeting is carefully planned so that interesting topics of vital importance are dealt with by visiting speakers and members of the council.

The Silver Jubilee of the Fellowship of the Least Coin was celebrated throughout the year of 1981 and was the main feature of the Annual Service held on the 25th May. One of the speakers was the Winifred Kiek Scholar, Miss Maline Weerasinghe, from Sri Lanka.

Mrs. Rathie Selveratnam, who had been elected as Visiting Scholar, now changed to Visiting Fellow, by the National Committee Meeting spent several days in N.S.W. promoting the A.C.W. as well as the Fellowship of the Least Coin. Her talks and contacts at Lambton, Parramatta and the City group proved a stimulus to the organisation as a whole.

The National Committee Meeting was held in Hobart during August, when two delegates, two observers and a Life Member represented N.S.W. During the Committee Meeting, Mrs. Dorothy McMahon, N.S.W. was elected as Leader of Commission on Strategies and Resources for Peace, and with Mrs. Marie McCann, elected as an Observer, will attend the Asian Women's Conference to be held in Bali, during November, 1982.

Promotion work is steadily gaining ground with three new branches formed during the last few months. The convenor, Mrs. M. McCann has prepared a Promotion Kit, in order to encourage local groups to form A.C.W. branches. All members of the executive participate in the two special events of Fellowship and World Community Days, when there is opportunity to promote and make known the functions of A.C.W.

The introduction of Newsette for members of N.S.W. and other interested women has been an added means of publicity together with Church papers and radio stations 2 CH and 2 CBA.

The Winifred Kiek Scholar for 1981, Miss Maline Weerasinghe, from Sri Lanka has been a student of Deaconess House, Sydney, and proved herself equal to an intensive course of study as well as undertaking speaking appointments in country and city centres. Maline was also a participant during the National Committee Meeting held in Hobart.

The Annual service for 1982 will be the installation service of the new president for N.S.W. Mrs Yvonne Davis of the Presbyterian Church, and will take place at the Lakemba Presbyterian Church on May 31. Mrs. Glad West, the retiring president will hand over the President's Bible to Mrs. Davis.

Prior to this there will be the Annual General Meeting during the April Council Meeting.

*Yvonne Davis*

*Annabel Hoad*  
*Secretary*

AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN

N. S. W. STATE UNIT

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS )( 1st March, 1981 - 28th February, 1982.

1. 3.81

Cr. Bank Balance

897.03

ADD RECEIPTS:

Organisation A/c:

Affiliation Fees	77.00	
Collections & Donations	96.60	
Bank Interest	<u>219.48</u>	393.08

"Newsette" subscriptions	293.00
Stock A/c Sales	613.65
Overseas Travel Fund	<u>115.05</u>

Special Funds:

Fellowship of Least Coin	4970.24	
Winifred Kiek Scholarship	326.68	
Fellowship Day	1725.27	
World Community Day	<u>1981.01</u>	9003.70

<u>From Savings Investment A/c:</u>	3500.00
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Contra A/cs:

"Asian Church Woman" subs.	20.00	
Transfer from Special Funds	819.82	
Natl. Wkg. C'tee		
o/a M. Weerasinghe	<u>1444.70</u>	2284.52
		<u>16203.00</u>
		17100.03

LESS PAYMENTS:

Organisation A/c:

Printing, Stationery,		
Postage, Telephone	345.85	
President, Honorarium	25.00	
Use of Meeting Room	60.00	
Subs. to other Organisations	25.00	
Sundries	<u>25.90</u>	481.75
"Newsette" printing & postage		160.09
Stock A/c - purchases		492.76
Overseas Travel Fund - to Natl. C'tee		100.00
Ex/es-National Committee Meeting		<u>796.85</u>

Special Funds:

To National C'tee	6907.00	
Exp. Printing & postage	<u>1421.18</u>	8328.18
<u>To Savings Investment A/c:</u>		3800.00

Contra A/cs:

"Asian Church Woman" subs.	20.00	
Transfer to Organisation A/c	819.82	
Exp. on acct. M. Weerasinghe	<u>1444.70</u>	2284.52
		<u>16444.15</u>
28. 2.82		655.88
	Cr. Bank Balance	<u>17100.03</u>

I have examined the records and books of  
 Australian Church Women, N.S.W. Unit accounts  
 and in my opinion such show a true and correct  
 record for the year ended February 28, 1982

*Doris K. Kitcher*  
Hon. Treasurer