

Minutes of the Meeting held in the Board Room, Bible House on  
Friday, August 28<sup>th</sup> 1959

The President, Mrs Farr was in the chair, and opened the meeting with a Bible Reading and prayer. There were twenty-one members present. Apologies were received from Mesdames Palmer, Stolz, Wyper, Greenhaugh, Patterson, Pearson, Deane, Dixon, Lowry Slipewich, Miss Armstrong & Allen. (Welcome was extended to members of the Baptist Church)

Speaker at Council member to be Mr Court. General Secretary of the N.S.W. Temperance Alliance

Mrs Farr informed the Council of the passing of Miss Rebecca Swann, a former President, Secretary and Life member of the Inter Church Council. The Council stood in silence as a mark of respect, remembrance and appreciation. Prayer was offered. A letter of sympathy, and a floral tribute had been sent. The Buzs the Lowry had attended Miss Swann's funeral.

The minutes of the July meeting were read - and amended -

Miss McDiarmid pointed out that it was the Treasurer & Secretary's signatures that needed to be obtained for the Bank - not President & Secretary. Minutes confirmed on the motion of Mrs Baldwin & Miss McDiarmid.

A small committee was appointed to assist Miss Armstrong for the serving of refreshments on Community Day. - Sept 26<sup>th</sup> -

A full announcement of Community Day was made & hand bills were given out for distribution (see opposite page)

By this time, Mr Court had arrived, so the general business of the Council was set aside in order that Mr Court might address the Council on the work of the N.S.W. Temperance Alliance.

and in particular the Youth Temperance Alliance with which we, as a Council, are affiliated.

Mr. Court gave us much interesting information concerning the Alliance, which was formed in 1882, with the object of influencing education & legislation, with the ultimate aim of the elimination of alcohol as a beverage.

N.S.W. Temperance Magazine is now called the Australian Temperance Advocate.

Youth Temperance Alliance works primarily for the promoting of temperance education in our public schools & the holding of health and temperance examinations among school children.

Lectures are given at schools by people, approved by the Alliance. Examinations are voluntary & are held in school time. Certificates are awarded. Approximately 100-150 schools visited.

Band of hope - no longer a separate department - as such has died, now part of the Youth Dept. of the Alliance. Mr. Court as Honorary Director - visits schools & lectures during scripture periods, in Sunday Schools & at Youth Fellowship Circulation of Youth Temperance Pamphlets (8-10 yr olds) <sup>now</sup> 13,000 monthly.

Text books <sup>used</sup> in schools, prepared by Youth Temperance Education Committee.

The Temperance Alliance is financed by membership fees, collections from deputation services, the Sunshine appeal (in place of the Sunshine Fair), donations & legacies.

The Youth Temperance Alliance has difficulty in financing its work, as it has no direct approach to the churches - only <sup>to</sup> interested groups i.e. Women's guilds.

There are one or two full time collectors - the main source of income is the Annual Blue Ribbon Fete.

Dr Court distributed literature & offered to supply further literature to anyone wishing to distribute it among their congregations.

Dr Court invited questions from members, & questions concerning representation on the executive, the Arch-bishop's position, lectures at schools, finance & showing of films were asked and answered.

Dr Court asked for our individual support by becoming members of the Alliance & so helping to finance the work of the Temperance & Youth Alliances.

Mr Baldwin expressed our appreciation in a very suitable vote of thanks.

Mr Bayten finalized the arrangements for Buttons Day, October 9<sup>th</sup>. Collections were to meet at the Lyceum Club. This year we had been <sup>allocated</sup> food stands in the city, but were no longer expected to collect in the main shopping centre of Ashfield.

Unfortunately no help could be given from the Western Suburbs Auxiliary - or Wybalena. Buttons and/or money <sup>from Council members</sup> to be landed in on Sept 26<sup>th</sup>.

Mr Bayten reported that she had attended the Annual Meeting of the N.S.W. Council for Children's Films & Television - as yet nothing of much interest to report.

Mr Farlick reported that the Sub. Committee on 'Fambling in Country Centres' had met again. A full report was in preparation.

Correspondence. Letter from the Good Neighbour Council was read, acknowledging the Council's interest in their project Contact Workers' groups. We are asked to forward the names of Council members who, as their Church representatives, have become team

leaders. So far we understand that Major Coleman is the Salvation Army representative and that Mrs Payten is working with the Emigration Dept in contacting migrants in their own homes.

The Financial Statement of £6.3.7 was presented by Miss McDiarmid moved by Miss McDiarmid and seconded by Mrs Tillar, accepted.

Mrs Carpenter handed over the financial statement for the afternoon tea provided by the Council for the Naturalisation Ceremony held on August 6<sup>th</sup>. A credit balance of 5/1 was shown.

Mrs Knight reporting for the Hostel, informed us that everything was going on nicely at Wybalena - improvements were being made in the shower recess - the rest of the work of renovations would be carried out during the vacation period <sup>at the end of the year</sup> ~~when only~~ 7-8 girls (would be) in residence, as it was vacation time.

Hostel expected to be full - 21 girls - in the next year. <sup>Feb</sup> (1960)

Mrs Tillar reported for the Appeals Committee that Joyce Trickett's most delightful recital had brought in a net profit of £117 - Her bank balance now stood at £150.

Reference was made to the organisation of the Wybalena Fete, the necessity of each church having a convenor - to meet on Sept 2nd - 10.30 am - Lyceum Club. It was hoped that Lady Woodward would be able to accept the invitation to open the Fete. As confirmation of this could not be given until nearer the date it was suggested that someone be approached to be ready to substitute for Lady Woodward. Christmas Cards were on sale.

Announcement was made of the Blue Ribbon Fete to be held on September 4<sup>th</sup> in the S.A. Assembly Hall 140 Elizabeth St - and of the next Hostel Committee Meeting, at Wybalena on September 11<sup>th</sup> at 11 am.

As there was no further business, the Council Meeting closed with the benediction.

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

Financial Statement to 28th August, 1959.

<u>RECEIPTS.</u>	<u>£ s. d.</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE.</u>	<u>£ s. d.</u>
By Credit Balance, 31st July, 1959,	17 8 9	To Cost of printing Annual Reports-Suburban Herald Printery-	12 4 .
" Wybalena Appeals Committee 1/3 cost of Reports	4 1 4	" Affiliation Fee and Subscription 1 Delegate-The National Council of Women of N.S.W.	2 12 .
		" Affiliation Fee Women's Christian Temperance Union	10 6
		" Credit Balance, as per Pass Book,	6 3 7
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N.S.W. Women's Inter-Church Council

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# *Annual Community Day*

**FRIDAY, 25th SEPTEMBER, 1959**

at the Friends' Meeting House

119 Devonshire Street

Leave electric trains at Central Station, Redfern end of platform. Devonshire Street is at right angles to the railway, practically a continuation of the subway. The Meeting House is a block and a half from the station. Daceyville bus, Devonshire Street stop, is only a few doors away.

Subject:

## **WORKING TOGETHER**

10.30 a.m.: Morning Tea.

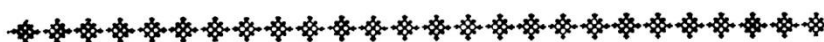
11.00 a.m.: Mrs. L. Hurse (of the Australian Inland Mission)  
Working Together in the Inland.

12.30 p.m.: Basket Lunch (Tea, Sugar, Milk provided).

1.30 p.m.: Study Groups and Discussion.

In the Chair, Mrs. A. E. Farr (President of the I.C.C.).

Working Together in the Churches.



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N.S.W. Women's Inter-Church Council

Annual Community Day

Friday, 25th September, 1959 - 1. 30pm.

STUDY GROUPS and DISCUSSION.

Subject. Working together in the Churches.

In the Chair. Mrs A.E. Farr.

Speaker. Mrs Lt. Colonel Garlick.

Study Groups.

A. Unity in Worship.

1. Is there need or unity?
2. What progress is the Church making?
3. What more can be done?

B. Working together in service.

1. What are the Churches doing in service to the Community?
2. Has the challenge of 'Working together in the Inland' anything to say to us?
3. What more can be done - by us?