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MEETINGS AND REPORTS
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CHURCHES OF CHRIST, N.S.W.
YOUTH DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

YOUTH NIGHT

ASSEMBLY HALL, MARGARET STREET, SYDNEY

Monday, 3rd April, 1950

at 7 p.m.

PRESENTING: "YOUTH FIELD-ACTION."

7.00 p.m.: Organ Recital.

7.15 p.m.: Song Service.

7.30 p.m.: Demonstration of "Youth Field-Action."

ADMISSION FREE — OFFERING

CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN AUSTRALIA

TWENTY-THIRD FEDERAL CONFERENCE

will be held in

Hobart, Tasmania

OCTOBER 6 — 13, 1950

Intending visitors are asked to book early for accommodation.

56th WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Tuesday, 4th April, 1950

ENMORE TABERNACLE,
METROPOLITAN ROAD, ENMORE

President _____ Mrs. A. LARCOMBE

MORNING SESSION: 10.30.

Devotional Leader _____ Mrs. W. EVAN LEWIS.

Welcome to Delegates _____ Mrs. A. Larcombe
Minutes, 1949 Conference _____ Mrs. R. Maxwell
Roll Call of Churches.

Hymn: No. 3—"Blest Be the Tie that Binds."

Welcome to General President _____ Mrs. A. Larcombe
Superintendents' Reports: Obituary: Mrs. Budgen, Prayer. Home
Missions, Overseas Missions and Aborigines Missions: Mrs.
Paterson.

Hymn No. 4 (I.v.).

Young People's Department, Good Films League: Mrs. R. H.
Wakeley, Forward Movement: Missionary Education: Inter-
church Council: Mrs. McCallum.

Hymn No. 23 (I.v.).

Executive Report _____ Mrs. R. Maxwell

BUSINESS:

Election of Officers and Superintendents.

Hymn No. 15 (I.v.).

Prayer _____ Mrs. B. G. Corlett

Basket Lunch: Tea, Milk and Sugar provided.

AFTERNOON SESSION: 2 O'clock.

Hymn No. 22.

Scripture Reading, Psalm 84 _____ Mrs. E. A. Frost

Prayer _____ Mrs. Wright, Bowral

ADDRESS _____ Mrs. McLeod Jones

Treasurer's Report _____ Miss F. Bell

Offering.

Reports, continued: Social Service: Mrs. Macarthur, Newington

Hospital: Mrs. Powell, Ashwood House: Mrs. Lawther,

Ashwood House Treasurer's Statement: Miss Ashwood.

Hymn No. 18 (I.v.).

Isolated Sisters: Mrs. MacKellar, Prayer Meeting: Mrs. Day,

Newcastle District Women's Conference: Mrs. Fraser, Parra-

matta District Women's Conference: Mrs. Allen. Catering:

Mrs. N. Matthews and Mrs. T. Benson.

Unfinished Business.

Hymn No. 35 (I.v.).

Prayer _____ Miss Winks

Solo: "O Divine Redeemer" _____ Mrs. J. Maclean

Hymn No. 16.

Introduction of Incoming Officers and Superintendents.

Dedicatory Prayer _____ Mrs. R. Greenhalgh

BENEDICTION.

Tea served at 5.30. Charge, 2/-.

56th WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Tuesday, 4th April, 1950

ENMORE TABERNACLE,
METROPOLITAN ROAD, ENMORE

EVENING SESSION: 6.45.

President: Mrs. A. LARCOMBE.

Hymn No. 29.

Prayer _____ Mrs. E. Snow, B.A., Dip.Ed.

Chairman's Remarks _____ Mrs. A. Larcombe

Musical Item—Trio _____ Misses Reilly

ADDRESS _____ Miss E. Rivett, M.A.

Prayer _____ Mrs. Menson, Newcastle

Hymn No. 31.

Secretary: Mrs. G. E. KNIGHT. Pianiste: Mrs. LEGGOTT.

OVERSEAS MISSION DEMONSTRATION

Tuesday, 4th April, 1950

at 8 p.m.

ENMORE TABERNACLE
METROPOLITAN ROAD, ENMORE

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Chairman: Conference President.
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Hymn _____ No. 31

Prayer.

Item _____ College Students

Scripture (Psalm 115) _____ Mr. C. R. Graham

Address _____ Mrs. Bruce Coventry

Hymn.

Address _____ Mr. Bruce Coventry

Offering.

Item _____ College Students

Doxology.

Benediction.

PREACHERS' SESSION

Chairman: J. LUFF.

Wednesday, 5th April, 1950, 3 p.m.

ENMORE TABERNACLE
METROPOLITAN ROAD, ENMORE

Speaker: B. COVENTRY.

*Committees of the Brotherhood,
through the
Chapel Extension Committee,
seek your prayerful support*

*for the
£500 Chapel a year Expansion Fund
to be launched on May 15th, this year.*

*Please remember the Campaign and lend your support by
becoming a contributor to this great venture.*

Social Service Demonstration
BROTHERHOOD TEA and GREAT
INSPIRATIONAL RALLY

ENMORE TABERNACLE
METROPOLITAN ROAD, ENMORE

Wednesday, 5th April, 1950

Tea: 6.15 p.m. (no charge). Meeting: 7.30 p.m.

7.30 p.m.: Chairman: W. J. Crossman.

Hymn No. 22.

Prayer _____ Bro. W. J. Lewis

Scripture _____ Bro. T. Hawkins

Chairman's Remarks.

Item.

Address — "The Creative Church in a Destructive Society."
S. Neighbour, Victoria

Offering.

Hymn No.

Sound Film _____ "Where Love Is, God Is"
(Only copy available in Australia.)

Hymn No. 36.

OPENING BUSINESS SESSION OF GENERAL
CONFERENCE

THURSDAY, 6th APRIL, 1950

at 6 p.m.

CITY TEMPLE,

CAMPBELL STREET, SYDNEY

Chairman: Conference President.

President's Reception — Provided by Auburn Sisters (Price 2/-)

Devotional _____ A. Surtees

President's Greeting.

Inward and Outward Greetings.

Welcome to New Preachers.

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BUSINESS SESSION

ENMORE TABERNACLE,
METROPOLITAN ROAD, ENMORE

Friday, 7th April, 1950

Chairman: Conference President.

9.30 a.m.—Devotional _____ L. Wylie

9.45 a.m.—Children's Homes Committee Report (page 30).
Aborigines Mission Board Report (page 36).
Bible Schools and Young People's Committee Report
(page 39).
Promotion of Christian Union Fellowship Appeal.
Chapel Extension Committee Report and
Launching of Appeal (page 37).
Distribution of Ballot Papers.

Devotional _____ N. D. Morris

1.00 p.m.—Adjourn for Lunch.
(Provided by Sisters' Conference. Price 2/-.)

2.00 p.m.—Social Service Committee Report (page 45).
Devotional _____ A. W. Ladbrook
Overseas Mission Committee Report (page 49).
Recognition of I. A. Paternoster.
Home Mission Committee Report (page 53).
Bible College Board Report (page 59).
"Christians Crusading" _____ S. Neighbour

6.00 p.m.—Adjournment for Tea.
(Provided by Sisters' Conference. Price 1/6.)

HOME MISSIONARY DEMONSTRATION

ENMORE TABERNACLE
METROPOLITAN ROAD, ENMORE

Friday, 7th April, 1950

Chairman: Conference President.

7.15 p.m.: Praise Service _____ R. Hayward

7.30 p.m.: Introduction of President.
Recognition of Retiring President.

7.45 p.m.: Opening Hymn—No. 9:
"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken."

Prayer.

Scripture Reading.

Offerings:

Congregational.

Sisters' Conference.

A.B.C. Band.

Hymn—No. 16: "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord."

Trio _____ The Misses Reilly

Address—"Essential Christianity" _____ G. E. Burns

Hymn—No. 4: "Crown Him with Many Crowns."

Benediction.

BUSINESS SESSION

CITY TEMPLE,

CAMPBELL STREET, SYDNEY

Saturday, 8th April, 1950

Chairman: Conference President.

9.30 a.m.—

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CONFERENCE SERMON

CITY TEMPLE,

CAMPBELL STREET, SYDNEY

Sunday, 9th April, 1950

President: W. J. CROSSMAN.

2.45 p.m.—Praise Service Conducted by Reg. Hayward

Announcements.

Hymn No. 1—"All Hail the Power."

Prayer President

Quartet.

Offering for Preachers' Provident Fund.

Hymn No. 23—"Jesus Shall Reign."

Scripture Reading.

Quartet.

Address "Visions of Victory" S. Neighbour

Hymn No. 18—"In the Cross of Christ."

Benediction.

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CONFERENCE PICNIC

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LANE COVE RIVER

Easter Monday, 10th April, 1950

Ferries leave Circular Quay for Valentia Street at 10 and 40 minutes past each hour, returning at 5 and 35 minutes past each hour.

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ICE CREAM and DRINKS ON SALE.

LAUNCH CRUISES and TENNIS.

A HEARTY INVITATION TO ALL.

ABORIGINES MISSION DEMONSTRATION

CITY TEMPLE

CAMPBELL STREET, SYDNEY

Tuesday, 11th April, 1950

at 7.45 p.m.

Chairman: Conference President.

Hymn No. 36—"To God Be the Glory."

Prayer Mr. L. G. Read

Bible Reading Mr. R. Mercer

Solo Mr. Clive Way

Chairman's Welcome.

Announcements Conference Secretary

Anthem Chatswood Choir

Presentation of cheque of Women's Conference.

Offering.

Solo Mr. Clive Way

Address—Mr. David Hammer, Organising Secretary, Federal
Aborigines Mission Board.

Pictures of Mission Stations.

Hymn No. 23—"Jesus Shall Reign."

BENEDICTION

**BIBLE COLLEGE
DEMONSTRATION**

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Wednesday, 12th April, 1950

7.30 p.m.

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CITY TEMPLE

CAMPBELL STREET, SYDNEY

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President: Chairman of Conference.

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Hymn.
Prayer _____ J. L. Stimson, Chairman
Reading _____ Student
Report _____ H. J. Patterson, M.A. (Principal)
Item _____ College Students
Offering.
Representative of A.B.C. Band.
Response _____ J. Boswell, Treasurer
Hymn.
Item _____ Lane Cove Choir
Address—"After eight years—what then?" — E. C. Hinrichsen
Hymn.
Prayer.

Benediction

CHURCHES OF CHRIST, N.S.W.

YOUTH DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR NIGHT

ENMORE TABERNACLE

METROPOLITAN ROAD, ENMORE

Thursday, 13th April, 1950

at 7.30 p.m.

THEME: "CITIZENSHIP."

PRESENTING: "THE ROADSIDE."

OFFERING.

**ANNUAL
CRICKET MATCH**

COLLEGE OLD BOYS

v.

COLLEGE STUDENTS

Listen for Announcement of Time and Place

NEW SOUTH WALES WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

56th Annual Conference

EXECUTIVE REPORT.

In presenting this report, we gratefully acknowledge our indebtedness to our Heavenly Father for His leading throughout the period under review. We have been particularly blest in the capable leadership of Mrs. Larcombe, who has not spared herself in order to cope with the ever-widening scope of presidential duties. We have at all times been conscious of the loyalty and co-operation of all members of the Executive, and we wish to place on record our appreciation of the fine work of all Superintendents and members of committees, who have given time and talent to the task throughout the year. We were sorry that Mrs. McLane, Foreign Mission Superintendent, found it necessary to relinquish office in September. This year we have had an additional member on the Executive in the person of Mrs. Parsons, as Country Vice-President.

The Forward Movement, established four years ago, with Mrs. McCallum as Organiser, has proved very helpful in keeping the country societies and some isolated folk in contact with Women's Conference activities.

The monthly meetings at City Temple have been well attended during the year, and interest in the work well maintained. We were happy to have a large delegation from Wollongong Church with us in our September meeting, when Mrs. Lloyd Jones presided over the devotional period, and Mrs. Wyndham-Jones gave the address. Other speakers during the year included Miss Caldicott, Miss Woodward, Mrs. Margaret Watts, Mrs. Park and Mr. P. E. Thomas. The Christmas meeting in December was an outstanding occasion. Three speakers had been chosen to talk on the birth of Christ—each from a different viewpoint—that of Mary, of the Innkeeper, and of the Three Wise Men—and each in turn presented something very worth-while on the subject.

Conference has given some thoughtful consideration to the matter of interesting the younger women in the women's work of the Church, and it is hoped to make further plans in this connection in the near future.

Another matter to which we are committed as a Conference is the Crusade for a Christian World. We endorsed this Crusade and formulated the following "Aims":—

- (1) That we try to unite every woman in the women's work of Conference;
- (2) that we aim at an increase in the devotional life by study and prayer;
- (3) that we be more faithful in the giving of our means and in Christian service;
- (4) that we encourage women to go into full-time service as deaconesses;
- (5) that we seek greater co-operation with General Conference;
- (6) that our women accept more responsibility in Christian citizenship.

We are now seeking to give effect to these aims.

For some years now we have had representation on the Women's Inter-Church Council, and have contributed to a proposed Hostel for delinquent girls. However, with changed conditions, the need for such a hostel is not now apparent, and in a letter from the Council we were asked to endorse that the money collected be used by the Council for a purpose to be agreed upon. This was put to the November meeting and carried.

Some of our members during the year have been called on to suffer the loss of loved ones, and our loving sympathy has been extended to them in their sorrow.

Financial.—A perusal of the Financial Statement will show that offerings for the year have increased somewhat over last year's figures. We rejoice in this, as it will mean that we can increase our giving to the various brotherhood activities, and thus we shall be able to do more to extend the Kingdom of our Lord and Master.

A. MAXWELL, Recording Secretary.

SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS.

Obituary.—Mrs. Budgen, Superintendent. During this Conference year I have written 37 letters to those who have been bereaved, and have received many letters of appreciation. With it all, however, I still feel that many have been neglected because I have not been notified by the churches when the bereaved ones are in membership. I would like to express my thanks to Mrs. Younghusband, of Auburn Church, and also Mrs. Dudeney, of Belmore Church, for faithfulness in keeping me in touch with those who have lost loved ones, and thus assisting me greatly in this work.

Home Missions.—Mrs. Paterson, Superintendent. I would like to thank all who have supported the work of Home Missions this year. Some have given through the Budget System, whilst isolated members have forwarded special offerings for Home Mission work. We are grateful to the preachers for their co-operation in writing the Home Base Papers; the papers being, in fact, progress reports of the work being done in our various church centres. Home Mission Committee meetings attended during the year have been a source of inspiration, and make one realise the greatness of the task being done in the homeland. The Home Mission Committee hopes to appoint an Organising Secretary during 1950. This year the allocation under the "Budget" for Home Missions is £154/4/4.

Prayer Meeting Report.—Mrs. Day. During the year a helpful and happy time of fellowship was spent with many "shut-in" and isolated members. A few were also visited while in hospital.

Isolated Sisters.—Mrs. MacKellar, Superintendent. The Isolated Roll has now been reduced to 22, owing to transfers and members now being able to attend church services in different suburbs. There were 45 letters written and 22 acknowledgments. Many live in and around the flooded areas, and have been busy trying to restore their homes to order. These folk are in need of our prayers. More names and addresses would be welcome.

Women's Forward Movement.—Mrs. McCallum, Organiser. Most societies visited have shown increased attendances, and a pleasing factor has been the number of younger women interested in the meetings. Two young married women's groups have been formed.

Missionary Education.—Mrs. McCallum. The topic papers dealing with the Conference of the World Council of Churches met with wide approval. Mrs. R. Perkins, who was elected Secretary to the Committee at last Federal Conference, has resigned, and the Committee places on record appreciation of her help.

Women's Inter-Church Council.—Mrs. McCallum. The President for 1949-50 is Mrs. Miller of the Presbyterian Church. After a survey by a well-known social worker, it was decided to review the early decision of the Council to establish a hostel for delinquent girls. The World Day of Prayer held last February showed a big increase in attendances and numbers of meetings.

Good Film and Radio League.—Mrs. R. H. Wakeley. The League continues to keep a close watch on both Films and Radio, particularly as they affect children. Although the coal strike of 1949 interrupted the continuity of monthly meetings, our energetic and competent secretary, Mrs. Usherwood-Wilson, who is the representative of the League on the Federation of Commercial Broadcasting, is constantly in touch with the film censors. At our last meeting a sub-committee was formed to raise finance, so that the League may carry out a more effective work.

Young People's Department.—Mrs. R. H. Wakeley. Our women are naturally vitally interested in the young people of our churches, and for this reason have appointed a representative on the Y.P. Committee. During the year I have attended most of the Committee meetings, and as your representative, was happy to attend the Chatswood sisters' Anniversary, when a generous donation was made to the Y.P. Committee.

Catering.—Mrs. V. Matthews and Mrs. G. Benson, Joint Superintendents. The Catering Committee were pleased to serve the Brotherhood in this capacity, and whilst there were many difficulties with supplies, etc., yet the spirit of co-operation amongst the ladies was splendid, and we believe we were brought into closer fellowship with our Master.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE, 1949: Meals were prepared for the Women's Conference and also the General Conference.

5th AUGUST, 1949: Special meeting of all Committees called by our Conference President was provided with a buffet tea.

2nd SEPTEMBER, 1949: The Women's Conference invited the Wollongong sisters to participate in a special meeting, and here again we were privileged to prepare lunch.

19th NOVEMBER, 1949: Afternoon tea was served to a special gathering of Conference delegates.

Newcastle District Conference.—Mrs. G. Fraser, Secretary. Once again we are happy to report a joyous year of service for the Master in the Newcastle District. It was with regret that, owing to other duties, Sister Davidson had to relinquish the position of President, which she has held since the inception of Newcastle Conference, six years ago. Sister Acland graciously accepted the position, and is proving a wise and graceful leader. New work undertaken this year is the visitation of the Old Folks' Home at Waratah, on the third Sunday of each month, when gifts are taken and distributed. Sister Parsons continues good work of Hospital visitation and distribution of tracts. As Country Vice-President of Conference, Sister Parsons has been very conscientious in her attendance at Executive meetings.

Parramatta District Sisters' Conference.—Mrs. B. Allen, Secretary. The annual meeting of Conference is held in June of each year, when officers for the ensuing year are elected. Mrs. F. W. Stimson is now President, and Mrs. H. W. Allen Secretary—both of Canley Vale. Mrs. Moras, of Granville, is Treasurer. Meetings are held bi-monthly; each church in the Parramatta District being visited in turn, with an average attendance of 25-30. The most outstanding meetings recently were the 25th Anniversary, held last June at Auburn Chapel, when both morning and afternoon sessions were held, the speakers being Mrs. Larcombe and Dr. Way. Dinner was served to about 100 guests. The Christmas Party at Ashwood House was a very happy occasion. Matron Knowles, of the Boys' Home, entertained 40 sisters at lunch, and afterwards a programme of items was much enjoyed by the guests at Ashwood House, followed by a presentation of gifts and a large Christmas cake. Three large Christmas cakes were also presented to the Boys' Home. We thank our Heavenly Father for His loving guidance.

Social Service.—Mrs. McArthur, Superintendent. Our committee has once again catered for the public Social Service Tea Meetings of Social Service Department. Inter-Church Council, Temperance National Fitness and Temperance Alliance meetings have been attended. We have collected, sorted and distributed a quantity of clothing, etc., during the year. Once again we were in charge of Refreshments in connection with the Temperance Alliance Sunshine Fair, held on 30th September, and we were able to hand over the sum of £50/10/4 to the Alliance as a result. We take this opportunity of thanking all who have helped either with goods, cash or service.

Newington Hospital.—Mrs. Powell, Superintendent. It is with grateful hearts we present our report for another year of service. We would like to thank the churches who have supported the work during the year, also the sisters who have helped, each month, with visiting the sick wards and afterwards with the Gospel meetings held. Some of our churches are unable to attend on account of distance, but their donations, Christmas and Mothers' Day gifts have been greatly appreciated. We thank our Heavenly Father for helping us to bring a little bit of hope and sunshine into the lives of those lonely souls over at Newington. We need your prayers as we continue our work for the Master.

Overseas Missions.—Mrs. McCallum. A morning-tea for 100 people was held during the year at David Jones' Restaurant to honour Mr. and Mrs. Finger before their return to the New Hebrides. When Mr. and Mrs. Smith returned to Pentecost, their time in Sydney was too short for any arrangements to be made to meet them, but those who were able to do so went to the boat to wish them "God-speed." The Living Link of Conference, Mrs. Colin Thomas, has returned to Australia on furlough, and we wish for her and Mr. Thomas and family a happy time of fellowship in the homeland. Miss Elsie Caldicott was a welcome visitor during the year, and she emphasised the need for the Milk Fund in the welfare work among the mothers and babies in which she had been engaged in India. The Committee thanks those who have sent food parcels to the missionaries in India.

Aborigines Mission.—Mrs. McCallum. The visit of Mr. and Mrs. Park from Norseman was much appreciated by the eight or nine Churches which were able to have them as guests. The address which Mrs. Park gave at Women's Conference meeting helped us to understand the rapid development of the work. Mrs. Park brought samples of craft work which Miss Flo Schurmann, the Living Link of Women's Federal Conference, has been teaching the children at Norseman. The gift of fly wire for Carnarvon Mission, and clothing sent in by various societies, have been much appreciated. We should like to note our appreciation of the work of the Superintendent of Overseas and Aborigines Missions, Mrs. McLane, who, through her removal to Brisbane, had to relinquish her work.

A. MAXWELL, Recording Secretary.

ASHWOOD HOUSE REPORT

1st JANUARY to 31st DECEMBER, 1949.

As we present the 12th Annual Report of Ashwood House, Churches of Christ Home for Aged Women, we do so with gratitude to our Heavenly Father for His guidance throughout the year.

Committee of Management.—Mrs. Butler, Mrs. J. Hall, Mrs. Winter, Mrs. A. Hall, Mrs. Larcombe (President), Miss Ashwood (Treasurer), Mrs. Lawtner (Secretary).

Obituary.—Three of our guests have received the Home Call during the year: Mrs. Kennedy, Mrs. J. Turner and Mrs. Henshall.

Staff.—The Matron, Miss E. K. Jack, has rendered invaluable service throughout the year, in nursing the sick, and caring for those who have become very frail, in addition to much extra work owing to staff shortages, which has become almost a regular condition. Miss Smith, our Sub-Matron, has also given valuable help in every department of the work during the year.

Sister Paul came to our assistance during Matron's absence on holidays; her help was much appreciated.

Finance.—The Statement of Receipts and Payments shows the total income from all sources to be £1,571/3/2. Contributions amount to £13/8/5, received from Churches as follows: Belmore, £12/16/4; Burwood, £1/10/-; Chatswood, £19; City Temple, £4/2/3; Epping, £5/12/-; Kingsford, £1; Loftus Park, £1/10/-; Lane Cove, £6; Lane Cove Duplex, £2/0/10; Marrickville Duplex, £6/1/-; Mosman, £4; Paddington, £3/16/-; Rockdale, £6.

Donations amount to £26/7/9, as follows: Dr. Walker, £3/3/-; Business Girls' Club, £3/10/-; Mrs. Rumbles, 10/-; Sundry, 11/9; Bequest, Hallam Estate, £10; Mrs. Charter Estate, £8/13/-.

Thanks.—We express our sincere thanks to Dr. Carter for his professional services, to Mr. Y. M. Middleton, honorary auditor, to the women of the Churches, Christian Endeavour Societies, and Choirs, who have visited the Home at regular intervals and given much pleasure to the ladies; to friends for gifts of groceries, fruit, cakes, etc., and to our Collectors and Contributors for their valued assistance to a Home which has been a real haven to so many during the past twelve years, and we trust will continue to be a blessing to those who need it.

Mrs. H. LARCOMBE (President). Mrs. C. LAWTHOR (Secretary).

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE OF CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN NEW SOUTH WALES.
Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year ending 31st December, 1949.

RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Cash in Hand, 31/12/48—							
Jubilee Fund	296	8	2				
Wybalena Hostel	61	3	4				
General Fund	121	12	3				
Overseas L/Link	143	0	0				
Overseas Travelling Expenses	21	5	0				
Overseas Milk Fund	20	0	0				
Home Missions	146	13	5				
Aborigines' Missions	43	11	9				
Women's Forward Movement	180	18	10				
Social Service	17	0	0				
Y.P. Department	17	0	0				
Boys' Home	8	10	0				
Boys' Lodge	8	10	0				
Inter-Church Council	1	1	0				
W.C.T.U.	1	1	0				
Good Films and Radio		10	0				
"Christian Messenger"	9	0	0				
City Temple	2	0	0				
Enmore	1	0	0				
				1,110	7	3	
Cash Received during Year Ending 31/12/49—							
Budget	571	8	7				
Budget—Special Distribution	80	13	0				
Women's Forward Movement	173	17	5				
Aborigines' Missions	5	8	0				
Aborigines' Special Light	1	0	0				
Home Missions	17	6	1				
Overseas L/Link	8	14	1				
Overseas Milk Fund	5	0	0				
Boys' Home Jerseys	14	8	0				
Boys' Home—Special Donation	2	10	0				
Ashwood House Special	2	10	0				
Sunshine Fair	1	12	0				
Anonymous Gift—Pendle Hill	20	0	0				
Anonymous Gift—Amplifiers, Conference	2	10	0				
Sale Conference Programmes	2	7	0				
Morning Tea—Mr. and Mrs. Finger	10	0	0				
City Temple Gas Donation	2	4	6				
Sundries	2	13	3				
				924	1	11	

PAYMENTS.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Aborigines' L/Link (Bal.)					24	1	8
Aborigines' Fly Wire—Carnarvon					19	10	1
Home Missions					146	13	5
Overseas L/Link					143	0	0
Overseas Milk Fund					20	0	0
Social Service					17	0	0
Y.P. Department					17	0	0
Boys' Home					8	10	0
Bible College					8	10	0
Wybalena Hostel (Bal.)					61	5	4
"Christian Messenger"					9	0	0
City Temple					2	0	0
Enmore					1	1	0
Inter-Church Council					1	5	0
Good Films and Radio					1	0	0
Aborigines' Special Light Appeal					14	8	0
Boys' Home Jersey Appeal					2	10	0
Boys' Home—Special Donation					2	10	0
Ashwood House—Special Donation					1	12	0
Sunshine Fair					2	4	6
City Temple Gas Account Donation							
W.F.M. Salary	156	0	0				
W.F.M. Travelling Expenses	22	7	11				
					178	7	11
General Expenses—							
Postages and Stationery	21	13	3				
Postages—Missionary Education	5	9	11				
Sundries—Hymn Book, Cups and Saucers, etc.	16	15	3				
Missionary Education, Federal	6	0	0				
Conference Expenses	26	16	5				
Morning Tea (Fingers)	10	0	0				
					86	14	10
					£768	3	9
Balances Brought Forward—							
Jubilee Fund	296	8	2				
Anonymous Gift for Pendle Hill	20	0	0				
Overseas L/Link	151	14	1				
Overseas Travelling Expenses	41	15	9				
Overseas Milk Fund	25	0	0				
Home Missions	154	4	4				
Aborigines' Mission	45	8	0				
Social Service	20	8	9				
Y.P. Department	24	8	9				
Boys' Home	16	6	6				
Bible College	14	6	6				
W.F.M.	313	11	10				
Inter-Church Council	1	1	0				
W.C.T.U.	2	2	0				
Good Films and Radio	13	6					
"Christian Messenger"	9	0	0				
City Temple	2	0	0				
Enmore	1	0	0				
General Fund	126	16	3				
					1,266	5	5
					£2,034	9	2

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I have examined the books and vouchers presented by the Women's Conference for the year ending 31st December, 1949, and I certify that the above statement is correct and is in accordance therewith.
9th January, 1950.

F. BELL, Hon. Treasurer.
H. V. ROFE, Hon. Auditor.

ASHWOOD HOUSE.
Statement of Receipts and Payments, 1st January to 31st December, 1949.

RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Balance brought forward					365	17	10
" Guests' Payments	1,391	13	0				
" Donations and Duplex	99	16	2				
" Interest, Boys' Home	33	0	0				
" Interest, Aust. Gas Light Co., —Debentures	18	19	4				
" Interest, Commonwealth Loan	19	10	0				
" Interest, Bank	4	2	9				
" Telephone	3	4	11				
" Contra (Henshall)	6	17	0				
				1,577	3	2	
				£1,943	1	0	

PAYMENTS.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By House Maintenance					676	4	2
" Salaries					682	12	9
" Fuel and Electricity					80	7	8
" Ground Maintenance					66	5	0
" Telephone					15	13	11
" Insurance					9	13	5
" Furniture and Linen					43	2	5
" Cheque Books					2	0	0
" Contra (Henshall)					6	17	0
" Refund (Frith)					1	17	6
					1,584	13	10
" Balance					358	7	2
					£1,943	1	0

F. M. ASHWOOD, Treasurer.
C. LAWTHOR, Secretary.

Y. M. MIDDLETON, Chartered Accountant (Aust.),
Honorary Auditor. 25th January, 1950.

CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE REPORT

In the presentation of this report, your Executive is desirous of acknowledging the leading and guidance of our Heavenly Father in all the affairs of our Brotherhood Work and to offer thanks for the strength afforded during the year which we have passed through.

As we come to our Annual Conference again we praise God for the progress made and the victories won in the various Brotherhood activities and seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in all our deliberations.

LOYALTY TO THE THRONE.

We desire to re-affirm our loyalty to His Gracious Majesty, King George VI., and to acknowledge his genuine leadership in these difficult days. We rejoice in reports of continued improvement in the health of our beloved King, and offer thanks to our Heavenly Father for answered prayer in restoring him to health and strength. We earnestly pray that he may be given guidance from the Holy Spirit in the administration of all the matters of State.

PRESIDENTIAL.

I desire, first of all, to thank you for the very great honour which you have conferred upon me in calling me to the Presidential Chair of the Brotherhood. To me, this is no small honour. The past twelve months have been a very busy time.

I would like to pay a tribute to the men and women who serve on the various committees. It has been a pleasure to become closely associated with them in our various activities; men and women who have consecrated their time and their talents for the success of the work. To them we owe a great deal; they are devoted to their task. I have been most grateful for your prayerful and sympathetic support.

The indefatigable, courteous conference secretary deserves all the encomiums of praise that we can bestow upon him. His tact, his geniality, kept all the wheels well oiled.

This year has greatly helped me to realise our oneness in Jesus Christ.

That there are differences amongst us is neither to be denied or deplored. Wherever there is life there is variety.

It has been good to have heart to heart conferences on Brotherhood work; in which we have found perhaps as never before, that the things in which we differ are small, compared with the great and unchanging verities we hold in common. And the opportunities afforded of consultation, of exchanging ideas, of sharing with one another our experiences, have been most valuable. They have, I think, left us with a new sense of brotherhood, and of comradeship in Christian service.

It has not been possible to make contact with all the Churches; the hospitality bestowed as I moved around was lavish and hearty.

THE COMMITTEE.

Since last Conference, the Committee has held eight regular meetings, with an average attendance of thirteen. The following brethren have served on the Committee, and their attendances were as follows:—W. J. Crossman, President (7); R. Acland, Past President, (7); N. H. Matthews, President-elect (8); W. R. Hayward, Vice-President (7); T. W. Dunne, Treasurer (8); W. J. Modral, Assistant Secretary (8); S. C. Woolley, Secretary (8); Mrs. A. Larcombe, Women's Conference (7); L. S. Dewberry, Home Missions (3); C. R. Graham, Overseas Missions (3); G. Morton, Social Service (7); P. H. Morton, Bible Schools and Y.P. Department (8); J. Boswell, N.S.W. Bible College (8); G. E. Knight, Aborigines Missions (6); Mrs. G. E. Knight deputised for Mrs. Larcombe (1); Mrs. McCallum deputised for G. E. Knight (1); F. A. Button represented Home Missions until his removal to Wagga Wagga (2); G. E. Burns deputised for Bren-Button and Dewberry (3).

STATISTICS.

Consequent upon the resolution from last Conference, the Executive appointed a sub-committee to go into the matter of Statistics, with a view to presenting them in an improved form. The report of this Committee has been received, and their suggestions have been adopted.

During the year ended December 31, 1949, Churches reported 302 received into membership by Faith and Baptism.

Details of any adjustments and changes in Church statistics are as shown in the Register attached to this Report. Page 76.

At the close of the year the Roll Membership was shown as 6,339.

OBITUARY.

Their task on earth completed, our Heavenly Father has been pleased to call into His presence, and to their Eternal Rest, a number of His beloved followers. Of these, the Churches have recorded 60. To those who have been bereaved of loved ones we would express our sincere Christian sympathy and commend them to the loving care of our Heavenly Father, the God of all comfort.

HALF-YEARLY CONFERENCE.

The half-yearly Conference was held on Saturday, December 3, 1949, in the Wentworth Falls Chapel. The afternoon session commenced at 2 p.m., when representatives of all Conference Committees and the Women's Conference presented reports of the work being done throughout the Brotherhood; these were interspersed with hymns and musical items. A fellowship tea was provided by the Church at Wentworth Falls, and this was enjoyed by all present, between 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. The evening session commenced at 6.30 p.m., with a praise service conducted by Bro. Hayward, the speaker in the evening being Bro. G. J. Andrews.

The Conference President, Bro. Crossman, presided over the Conference sessions; Bro. Matthews, President-elect, officiated at the tea, when greetings to the Church were expressed by several of the visitors.

About 60 were present at both services and a most enjoyable time of fellowship was enjoyed by all. We would express our thanks to the Church at Wentworth Falls, to Bro. and Sister Hayward for musical items, to Bro. Andrews for his message, and to all others who helped to make the Conference worth-while.

QUARTERLY RALLIES.

During the Conference Year, two Quarterly Rallies have been held, when the members of all Conference Committees were called together to consider and discuss the work of the Brotherhood. At the first Rally, which was held on Friday, 5th August, 1949, the Theme was "The Church in Action"; the speakers were Bren. L. S. Dewberry, R. Greenhalgh, H. J. Patterson and E. Davis; their respective subjects were Home Missions, Youth Activities, College Work and the co-ordination of the whole work.

The second Rally, which was held on Friday, 3rd February this year, had as its theme, "Witnessing for Christ." The speakers and their subjects were as follows: I. A. Paternoster, "Overseas Missions"; G. E. Knight, "Our Native Missions"; Mrs. Larcombe, "The Place of Women in the Life and Work of the Church"; A. C. Maclean, "Social and Present Day Questions."

At each Rally, tea was catered for by Sisters Conference Catering Committee, and musical items were arranged by Bro. R. Hayward. To these we express our thanks for the assistance in this way.

PREACHER PROBLEM.

As reported to last Conference, this matter was being investigated by a select committee, which when finalised would be presented to a meeting of delegates; accordingly, the Executive called a Special Conference of

delegates (for which the required notice had been given to all Churches) for Saturday, 15th October, 1949. At this Conference, 60 delegates attended, and the Convener of the select committee, Bro. N. D. Morris, presented their findings on the nine questions which had been prepared for them by the Executive, with several suggestions. Conference fully discussed each question and the suggestions were mostly adopted. In some cases the adoption of the suggestion will necessitate an alteration to the Constitution, which will be presented at the forthcoming Conference. We express our thanks to the Convener and members of the Select Committee for their work in this matter.

BROADCASTING.

Bren. W. J. Crossman, A. C. Maclean, N. D. Morris and S. Stevens were appointed to care for the task of arranging broadcast services, and report a year of effective and harmonious service; churches and individuals giving real co-operation. The committee is assured that really good work and testimony to the truth is being given. Wherever possible, improvements are being made.

CHAPLAINCY.

Chaplain M. MacCulloch, of the Baptist Union, continues to serve as Senior Chaplain of the United Chaplaincy Board. Brethren Acland and Crossman are our representatives on the Board. No meetings have been held during the year.

PREACHERS' PETROL POOL.

This service has been continued throughout the year excepting for a break of a few months. Its service is for those who belong to the pool, which is a voluntary matter. On all hands brethren have expressed appreciation of the help received. Wherever and whenever possible it is desired that assistance should be given to all.

FINANCE.

It is a matter of extreme concern for your Executive that we are unable to present a surplus in the Treasury. The position during the year worsened to such an extent that we were compelled to obtain an overdraft of £100 with our bank.

The strongest appeal is made to the brethren to analyse the position well, for by doing so it will be realised that you must support more this important phase of our Brotherhood's activities.

Conjointly with the Overseas Missions Committee an appeal was made to the membership to recognise the sterling work of our Bro. Ira Paternoster in conformity with a resolution of last Conference. The interest, manifested by the splendid amount raised, was, indeed, gratifying to those who launched the appeal.

An amount of £25, held in trust for the Religious Film Society, has now been handed on to that body.

We take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation to all Treasurers who have afforded us such co-operation during the year.

FEDERAL CONFERENCE.

During the year the Federal Executive asked the State Executives to agree to the alteration of the location of the next Federal Conference, which was to be held in Melbourne in 1950. Owing to the postponement of the World Convention, because of travelling difficulties, it was decided to hold Conference this year in Tasmania. This has been agreed to by all States, and will be held in Hobart from October 6 to 13, 1950, with Bro. J. Park as Conference President.

Arrangements are in hand for making available accommodation for about 600 visitors, and you are asked to book early. The N.S.W. Delegation will be selected after Conference. Bro. R. Greenhalgh is the Vice-President representing this State.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN N.S.W.—CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE.

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the Year ended 31st December, 1949.
General Fund.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Conference Fees	87	15	0
Half-yearly Plan Fees	10	8	0
Annual Offering	74	9	2
Offering, per Duplex	87	19	9
Conference Offering	12	10	0
Sale of Cont. Programmes	21	19	6
Committee's proportion, Programme Printing	77	7	6
Committee's proportion, Brotherhood 'Phones	16	18	3
Committee's proportion, Duplex Envelopes	94	18	8
Committee's proportion, Crusade for Christ	15	0	0
Church's contribution, Duplex Envelopes	47	3	11
Church's contribution, Crusade for Christ	3	14	3
Committee's contribution, Office Cleaning	11	12	6
Debit Balance carried forward	66	13	4
	£628	9	10

DISBURSEMENTS.

	£	s.	d.
Debit Balance brought forward	20	4	5
Conference Expenses	179	8	6
Postages, Fares, etc.	47	3	6
Printing and Distributing Half-yearly Plans	15	11	6
Printing and Distributing Duplex Envelopes	147	17	3
Printing and Distributing Crusade for Christ	51	19	2
Secretary's and Brotherhood 'Phones	54	15	9
Printing re Annual Offering	15	4	0
Typing and Stationery	16	15	7
N.S.W. Council of Churches Affiliation Fee	9	0	0
Federal Conference Affiliation Fee	7	0	0
Messenger Management Comm.	5	0	0
Preachers' Provident Fd. Conference Offering	12	10	0
Honorarium	10	10	0
Office Cleaning	15	10	0
Christian Union Comm. Expenses	3	0	0
Advisory Board Expenses	2	2	0
Anzac Day Service Expenses	5	6	0
Contribution toward cost of Duplex Envelopes	9	0	0
Bank Charges			12
	£628	9	10

Broadcasting Fund.

	£	s.	d.
Balance brought forward	81	1	7
Offering per Duplex	52	6	1
	£133	7	8

	£	s.	d.
N.S.W. Council of Churches	50	13	7
Contribution toward cost of Duplex Envelopes	10	0	0
Home Mission Committee	20	0	0
Balance carried forward	52	14	1
	£133	7	8

I have examined the Books and Vouchers of the Churches of Christ in N.S.W., Conference Executive, and certify the foregoing Statement to be correct.

E. L. RUGENDYKE, Hon. Auditor.

T. W. DUNNE, F.I.C.R., Hon. Treasurer.

RELIGIOUS FILM SOCIETY.

Bro. H. T. Edwards, Manager of the Religious Film Society in Sydney, was invited to our Executive meeting last October, to give us further information on the financial position of the Society. We were informed that with the Lutheran Church we were the only body in New South Wales who have not contributed our quota to the initial cost of forming a branch of the Society in this State.

Several Committees have now contributed their share of the quota, and we will be deciding on a future programme in regard to the balance of the quota.

CRUSADE COMMITTEE.

Despite printing and blackout difficulties the Crusade material was presented to the Churches, and each urged to use the material for a local Crusade campaign.

Although some time has elapsed many Churches went into the matter thoroughly and the results of their deliberations are being seen now in the campaign being launched very vigorously in these centres.

No figures are available as to the number of Churches co-operating as only two responded to the request for information.

I. A. PATERNOSTER FUND.

We take this opportunity of thanking all who have so heartily responded and made the work of the committee a double pleasure, both in receiving the love gifts of the Lord's people, and of serving a worthy brother in this way.

BUILDING MATERIALS.

Following the report at last Conference, and the circularising of the Churches, we have received several applications from Churches for Building Supplies; these have been passed on to the Department through our liaison officer, Bro. Morris. At present we are compiling a list of requirements for 1950, which will be presented to the Department at an early date.

REMOVAL EXPENSES SCHEME.

Following the adoption of the Notice of Motion from last Conference, the Executive appointed a sub-committee, with Bro. Greenhalgh as convener. This sub-committee presented its findings to the Executive, which are outlined herewith:—

1. That Churches be invited to join a Preachers' Removal Expenses Pool.
2. This Pool will be entirely voluntary, but only participating Churches will benefit from it.
3. Churches participating be asked to contribute one penny per member per week to the pool, with a minimum of £6 per year.
4. The Pool to be in existence two years before any withdrawal for expenses be permitted.
5. At the expiration of the two years period, Churches requiring assistance for removal expenses be allowed to withdraw the full amount paid in and should further financial aid be required, the Committee to consider the lending of the amount.
6. The amount lent to be repaid by the borrowing Church before any further assistance for removal be considered.
7. The Removal Expenses Pool to be under the control of the Conference Executive.

APPRECIATION.

It is with pleasure that we again express our sincere thanks and appreciation for the valued help of the Women's Conference, the Ladies' Social Service Auxiliary, and the Sisters of the Churches at Auburn and Wentworth Falls, for their catering at Conference, and other times during the year; also to the Officers of the City Temple, Enmore Tabernacle, and Wentworth Falls for the use of their buildings during the Annual Conference, 1949, the Half-yearly Conference, and at other times during the year; to the Hon. Auditor, Bro. Rugendyke, and to Sister Mrs. A. Wakely, and the Supplies Department, and to any others who have helped in any way.

It has been a joy once again to have as an assistant Bro. W. J.

Modral, and to him we would express our sincere thanks and appreciation for his valued help at all times during the year; to the Treasurer, Bro. T. W. Dunne, we say, "thank you," for his interest in safeguarding the funds of the Brotherhood, entrusted to this Committee.

W. J. CROSSMAN, President.
T. W. DUNNE, F.I.C.R., Treasurer.
S. C. WOOLLEY, Secretary.

ADDENDUM.

The Executive desires to record its appreciation and thanks to the Conference President, Brother W. J. Crossman.

During his Presidential Year he has carried out the duties of his high office in a very excellent and efficient manner. He has served the Lord with gladness, displayed great tact and graciousness in the fulfilment of his task, always extending Christian love and courtesy.

He has been well received by the Churches visited for his inspirational and encouraging messages, as well as representing the Brotherhood at many other functions.

Brother Crossman, again we say, "Thank you."

The services of our Vice-President, Brother R. Hayward, has been greatly valued, and he has always been willing to serve the Brotherhood at all times.

To our Brethren, S. C. Woolley, Secretary; W. J. Modral, Assistant Secretary; T. W. Dunne, Treasurer; we extend our appreciation for the splendid work so faithfully carried out.

To other members of the Executive we desire to thank you for your loyalty to Christ and His Church, and for the lovely services so willingly rendered.

N. H. MATTHEWS, President-elect.

NOTICES OF MOTION

N. D. MORRIS: "That in order to encourage brethren to serve on Committees, members should consider retiring from any Committee after serving for three consecutive years, subject however to circumstances or elected periods not warranting such action, and the eligibility for election at a later Conference."

N. D. MORRIS: "That Conference, being of opinion that there should be greater emphasis on 'Eldership,' requests the Executive Committee to seek the services of a brother to write a series of articles on the subject of 'Eldership' for circulation amongst members."

B. G. CORLETT: "That this Conference of Churches of Christ, New South Wales, withdraws forthwith from the World Council of Churches."

J. L. STIMSON: "That representations be made to the Postmaster-General's Department for a substantial reduction in the rental and other charges on land lines to Church buildings for broadcasting purposes."

R. W. SAUNDERS: "That Conference investigate the matter of Religious Instruction in the Public Schools, and that the Brotherhood utilise more effectively the right of entry period."

CHURCHES OF CHRIST CHILDREN'S HOMES COMMITTEE

REPORT ON WORK OF BOYS' HOME AT PENDLE HILL.

This report is presented on behalf of the above Committee for the year 1949 with grateful acknowledgment of the guidance and blessing of God and thanks to the Brotherhood for its help.

A Change in Administration: It will be noted that the report on the Boys' Home work is brought to Conference for the first time this year from a Children's Homes Committee. Previously such reports were presented on behalf of the Churches of Christ Homes Co-operative Society Limited, the Directors of which were the Boys' Home Committee of Conference as set out in Clause 10 (i) of the Constitution. At last Conference, however, Clause 10 (i) was replaced by the following: "A Children's Homes Committee, which shall consist of ten members, six of whom shall form a quorum. The functions of the Committee shall be to provide in whole or in part for the maintenance and assistance of orphans, neglected children, children under unfit guardianship and children whose parents for various reasons are unable to give them proper care and attention."

Conference also endorsed a recommendation of the Directors of the Co-operative Society that same be wound up, the Committee to take over control of the work and the property to be vested in the Churches of Christ Property Trust as trustees for the said Committees as a Department of Conference. The necessary procedure to give effect to the directions of Conference has almost been completed. The property was first all transferred by the Society to the Property Trust; on 20th December, 1949, an extraordinary special general meeting of the shareholders of the Society unanimously resolved that "it is desirable that the Company should discontinue its operations and be wound up, and that Mr. George Morton be appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding up"; and a further resolution directing the liquidator to transfer all assets coming into his hands to the Children's Homes Committee of the Churches of Christ in New South Wales, was also carried unanimously. Before Conference assembles it is expected that the remaining assets shall have been formally transferred to the Committee accordingly, and the fact reported to a final meeting of shareholders by the Liquidator.

A Valuable Property Becomes a Gift to the Brotherhood: And so the Dunmore House property of 16 acres at Pendle Hill is now the property of the brotherhood and the work of the Home is conducted solely by and for the members of the New South Wales Churches. We may thank God for the consecrated vision of those members who, fifteen years ago, formed the Co-operative Society and secured the property of 20 acres for £1,600, so as to establish a Christian Home for underprivileged lads; later on, 21 acres were given to the Committee of the Aged Women's Home, and on this site the beautiful Ashwood House was erected. The present Dunmore property was valued last October at £6,250 by the Valuer-General.

Committee: At the commencement of 1949 the Committee, which was also the Board of Directors of the Society, comprised:—

Mrs. A. F. Butler, Miss I. Bye and Messrs. J. L. Stimson (Chairman), A. C. Maclean (Vice-Chairman and Chaplain), Geo. Morton, Secretary, W. J. Crossman (Investigating Officer), G. E. Knight, A. McAllister, L. C. Yelds, and W. Hill. At the annual meeting in August A. McAllister, a retiring Director, did not nominate, leaving a vacancy, later filled by the appointment of F. Kimpton, of Epping. Bro. P. Winter was again co-opted as a Life Member of the Board.

Appreciation is hereby recorded of Bro. McAllister's valuable contribution to the work both materially and by his counsel. In future, the Committee will, of course, be elected by Conference.

Staff: Mr. and Mrs. Knowles, Superintendent and Matron, have continued to do a magnificent work at Dunmore among the boys in their charge for the Master. Toward the end of the year staff losses imposed a heavy strain on them, as we are without the services of a cook, domestic help and laundress. Mr. Boyd resigned his position at the end of December; the services of an outdoor man to replace him were, however, secured early this year; a young man also renders valuable help in return for his accommodation at Dunmore; the most pressing need now is the obtaining of a cook and domestic help. The Committee has authorised the purchase of modern laundry equipment to reduce the strain on the staff.

The Boys: The year closed with a full complement at Dunmore of 35 boys; the daily average throughout the year was about 30; of these 12 are Legacy boys.

The Committee is, of course, greatly interested in the education of the boys, both secular and religious; particular attention is paid to these aspects by the Superintendent and Matron in consultation with the Chaplain, Bro. A. C. Maclean; during the year two Endeavour Societies (Junior and Intermediate) were established at Dunmore. These are conducted regularly by Mr. and Mrs. Davidson. On alternate weeks the Pendle Hill Church held its mid-week Prayer Meeting at Dunmore House, when older boys were in attendance; all of the lads attend worship and Bible School in the Chapel at Ashwood House each Lord's Day. Several of the older ones were added to the Church by faith and baptism. Some Churches invited the boys to tea and Gospel service on Lord's Day evenings and also to picnics.

On the physical side the boys are encouraged to indulge in sport. They are specially interested in soccer football; Bro. M. Leask, Student Preacher, assisted by obtaining finance to provide football boots, and the Women's Conference provided the jerseys. The Legacy boys are provided with physical training by Granville Legacy representatives, who have complimented the Home on their behaviour and appearance, as also have others in respect of all of our boys. The health of the boys has been uniformly good, the result of loving care and attention bestowed upon them.

Finance: The balance sheet and financial statement attached to this report are the audited statements for the official year of the old Society, which ended on 30th June, 1949. The surplus for that year was £151 after allowing £165 for depreciation; the sum of £105 was paid off an unsecured loan from the Christian Fellowship Association, leaving an amount of £550 still owing on account of loans from this and anonymous sources; our remaining liability consisted of a mortgage of £875 held by Ashwood House Trustees. Receipts from all sources totalled £2,815; the annual offering £307, was a record, being £101 in excess of the previous year; Dupix offering, £289, was £41 more; nett proceeds of September, 1948, Fete were £276. Maintenance receipts showed a decline of £70, and endowment of £170. The aggregate receipts showed an increase of £152. Total expenditure was £2,664, an increase of £113. Receipts exceeded expenditure by £151.

For the six months ended 31st December, 1949, receipts and balance brought forward amounted to £1,518, and expenditure was £1,520, including £20 paid off loans.

The Society prior to being wound up, made arrangements with the Bank of New South Wales for accommodation to permit the re-payment of the mortgage and unsecured loans amounting to £1,305, so that finance will be available as required to carry out essential improvements such as new septic tank (now being constructed), wardrobe cupboards for dormitories under order, kitchen and laundry equipment (authorised), new guttering and painting; these are estimated to cost £1,040. In addition, the Recreation Hall is estimated at £350, for which £322 is available in

cash and promises. An overdraft limit of £2,400 has been obtained to be reduced by not less than £100 per annum. Although the book value of the property is stated in the balance sheet as £1,988, the latest valuation by the Valuer-General as at October, 1949, was £6,250. More recently it has been valued at £7,000 by the bank.

Appreciation: On behalf of the Committee, we place on record its thanks and appreciation for numerous gifts from churches, auxiliaries, and individuals. Ashfield and Bexley North Bible Schools entertained the staff and boys at their picnics; Churches invited them to tea and gospel services—others visited and entertained them at Dunmore. We thank the Brotherhood for increased giving in the annual offering, and duplex, and for support of the work in prayer. Enmore folk, led by Miss Flood, provided a magnificent Christmas Tree for boys and staff; this they have done ever since there has been a Home at Dunmore (14 years). We thank Dr. Carter, of Wentworthville, for professional services, also our own Dr. C. A. Verco. We reserve special mention of the consecrated and successful work of Mr. and Mrs. Knowles in caring for the boys spiritually and physically. God bless everyone who has made a contribution of any kind to a successful year's operations.

We present this report for the Committee, asking for its approval by Conference; as we do this we thank God for the fellowship and joy we have had in this service.

GEO. MORTON,
Secretary.

J. L. STIMSON,
Chairman.

ADDENDUM.

It is the Committee's desire that, on its behalf, I should again express our heartfelt appreciation of Bro. Geo. Morton's work as Secretary, during another year of exacting service. He has served the Master in this sphere faithfully and efficiently and lovingly; we thank God for the inspiration he has been to us all.

J.L.S.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

CLAUSE 6—MODE OF ADMISSION.

CLAUSE 6, Mode of Admission. Existing Clause to be deleted, and the following substituted therefor:—

"Any Church desirous of admission to Conference shall forward to the Conference Secretary at least twelve weeks before the date of the next Annual Conference an application for admission. The name of each Church applying for admission shall within not less than ten weeks of such Conference be sent to each Church associated. The Executive Committee of Conference shall consider the application and shall make a recommendation to such Conference. Each Church seeking admission be advised to agree that any property held or to be acquired will be registered under The Churches of Christ Incorporation Act, 1947, and if private trustees are appointed then a Declaration of Trust must be lodged with the Registrar-General."

—N. D. MORRIS.

CLAUSE 7—OBJECTIONS TO ADMISSION.

CLAUSE 7, Objections to Admission. Delete the word "three" appearing in the third line, and substitute the word "six."

—N. D. MORRIS.

CLAUSE 9—CONFERENCE OFFICERS.

CLAUSE 9, Conference Officers. The following words be deleted "(only if the President-elect is not available), President-elect."

—N. D. MORRIS.

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CHURCHES OF CHRIST HOMES CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LIMITED, DUNMORE HOUSE, DUNMORE STREET, FENDLE HILL.

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1949.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Capital Paid Up	229	17	6			
Mortgage on Land and Buildings	475	0	0			
Unsecured Loans	550	0	0			
Sundry Creditors	163	10	2			
Trust Account				1,823	7	8
Accumulated Funds				222	15	6
Balance, 1/7/48	919	0	2			
Add Surplus for Year	151	4	11			
Less Amount transferred to Trust A/c.	1,070	5	1			
	100	0	0	970	5	1

LIABILITIES.

Capital Paid Up	£	s.	d.
Mortgage on Land and Buildings	475	0	0
Unsecured Loans	550	0	0
Sundry Creditors	163	10	2
Trust Account			
Accumulated Funds			
Balance, 1/7/48	919	0	2
Add Surplus for Year	151	4	11
Less Amount transferred to Trust A/c.	1,070	5	1
	100	0	0

ASSETS.

Land and Buildings—Balance, 1/7/48	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Road	46	2	5	1,988	8	8
Less Depreciation	9	4	6			
Furniture and Fixings—						
Balance, 1/7/48	173	5	7			
Add Additions	26	18	9			
Less Depreciation	200	4	4			
	20	0	5	180	3	11
Plant and Loose Tools—						
Balance, 1/7/48	406	8	2			
Add Additions	70	10	11			
Less Depreciation	476	19	1			
	95	7	5	381	11	8
Linen—						
Balance, 1/7/48	62	16	0			
Add Additions	75	15	11			
Less Depreciation	138	11	11			
	27	14	4	110	17	7
Crockery and Cutlery—						
Balance, 1/7/48	4	4	11			
Add Additions	11	1	7			
Less Depreciation	5	1	5			
	23	4	0	12	5	3
Live Stock	11	10	0			
Add Additions	34	14	0			
Less Depreciation	10	10	9	24	3	3
				2,734	8	3
Deposits				6	0	0
Bank of New South Wales				48	4	6
Bank of New South Wales—Trust Account				222	15	6
Cash in hand				5	0	0
				£3,016	8	3

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We certify that we have examined the Books of Account and Vouchers of the Churches of Christ Homes Co-operative Society Limited, and that the above Balance Sheet is in accordance therewith. Sydney, 23rd August, 1949.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE AND REPORT.

We have received all the explanations and information we have required. MILNE & PERRETT, Chartered Accountants (Aust.).

CHURCHES OF CHRIST HOMES CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LIMITED, DUNMORE HOUSE, DUNMORE STREET, PENDLE HILL.

Receipts and Payments Account for the Year ended 30th June, 1949.

RECEIPTS.			PAYMENTS.				
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	
1948—July 1:					1949—June 30:		
To Balance at Bank			43	6	6		
1949—June 30:					By Wages	863	
To Annual Offering	307	2	6		Provisions	818	
.. Maintenance	910	0	0		.. Farm Produce	27	
.. Endowment	493	11	7		.. Fuel and Light	97	
.. General Donations	23	12	0		.. Chemist	11	
.. Special Donations	30	11	10		.. Telephone	20	
.. Duplex Envelopes	289	18	0		.. Secretary's Expenses	10	
.. Income from Farm	140	0	0		.. Plant	38	
.. Sundry Receipts	24	19	3		.. Repairs and Maintenance	56	
.. Board	22	0	0		.. Printing and Stationery	36	
.. Sale of Live Stock	18	0	0		.. Advertising	41	
.. Recreation Fund	8	15	0		.. Interest	37	
.. Fete	285	15	6		.. Improvements	32	
.. Christmas Gifts	2	14	0		.. Shoe and Clothing Repairs	23	
			2,556	19	8	.. Insurance	6
					.. Accountancy and Legal Fees	11	
					.. Furniture and Fittings	26	
					.. Loans Repaid	105	
					.. Trust Account	100	
					.. Sundry Expenses	59	
					.. Fete Expenses	5	
					.. Live Stock	29	
					.. Recreation Fund	2	
					.. Christmas Gifts	3	
					.. Linen	75	
					.. Crockery	11	
						2,552	
					.. Bank of New South Wales	48	
						6	
			£2,600	6	2	£2,600	
						6	
						2	

(Signed) MILNE & PERRETT.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST HOMES CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LIMITED, DUNMORE HOUSE, DUNMORE STREET, PENDLE HILL.

Income and Expenditure Account for the Year ended 30th June, 1949.

EXPENDITURE.			INCOME.			
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Wages	851	17	0	Annual Offering	307	2
Employees' Board as per Contra	312	0	0	Maintenance	910	0
				Endowment	493	11
	1,163	17	0	Duplex Envelopes	289	18
Provisions	840	14	11	General Donations	23	12
Farm Produce	27	11	0	Special Donations	30	11
Fuel and Light	137	3	10	Sundry Receipts	22	0
Shoe and Clothing Repairs	23	9	6	Income from Farm	140	0
Chemist	11	14	0	Employees' Board as per Contra	312	0
Telephone	20	16	2	Fete	280	7
Maintenance and Repairs	75	5	1	Recreation Fund	6	15
Insurance	5	18	1			
Sundry Expenses	57	4	1			
			2,363			
Secretary's Expenses	10	1	6			
Printing and Stationery	36	3	0			
Accountancy and Legal Fees	11	11	0			
			57			
Publicity	39	16	1			
Interest	37	0	0			
Christmas Gifts	10	0	0			
			77			
Depreciation—						
.. Furniture, 10%	20	0	5			
.. Plant, 20%	95	7	5			
.. Linen, 20%	27	14	4			
.. Crockery, 20%	3	1	3			
.. Live Stock, 20%	10	10	9			
.. Road, 20%	9	4	6			
			165			
			2,664			
			151			
Surplus for Year			£2,815			18
						10

(Sgd.) MILNE & PERRETT.

ABORIGINES' COMMITTEE REPORT

During the past year of work for Christ and the Aborigines there have been many things that have caused rejoicing and thanksgiving, and for which we thank God for His guidance and many mercies.

SCOPE OF WORK.

The year has been one of consolidation in all centres. At Mooroopna and Fitzroy the work has been maintained. Bro. Atkinson at Mooroopna has had some help from the Church at Shepparton. Bro. Nicholls at Fitzroy reports considerable development of that work.

Norseman.

Mr. Park, as Superintendent, is ably assisted by Mrs. Park, and Miss Schurmann, Mr. and Mrs. Felton and Miss Rule (who is giving temporary help). Miss Gould relieved during the missionaries' holidays and her work was much appreciated. She has now gone to Carnarvon. Many visitors have been impressed with the work of the Mission, including a number of Members of Parliament of W.A.

There are now four older boys and one older girl at work after their period at the Mission. They are acquitting themselves well. Thirty-five children remain in residence, and others are expected.

Farm project work is now taking its place with the handicrafts in training older children. This year a large poultry house was built and stocked with 600 pullets. This was financed by two men, one in S.A. and one in W.A.

A Building Drive is planned, with W.A. brethren giving voluntary labour. This is to erect modern classrooms, for which the W.A. Education Department will supply the materials. It is planned at the same time to provide better staff accommodation.

Carnarvon.

There are now fifty-six children in residence, their ages ranging from infants to teenagers.

Mr. Reeson, as Superintendent, and Mrs. Reeson have worked extremely hard in this their first full year of service. Miss McDonald continues to give valuable help. Miss Martin joined the staff in a temporary capacity, and has given excellent service with the girls. It is expected that she will be able to remain in this important work. Mr. B. Monk and Mr. and Mrs. Reeson, Senr., have given wonderful voluntary help for extensive periods. Mr. and Mrs. Clapp and Miss Gould have now settled in as new missionaries.

The work of laying pipes, building cement well, etc., for the Water Scheme, has occupied workers for a good part of the year. The work has been well done and reveals considerable assets for the money expended.

The gift of a new Bedford motor-truck has relieved the workers of much worry incurred with the old truck.

Building additions to house Mr. and Mrs. Clapp and additions to the Superintendent's house have received attention from Mr. Reeson, Senr., and have increased the value of the property as well as contributing to the convenience of the missionaries.

FINANCE.

General finances, on a Federal scale, have shown a healthy improvement as the Brotherhood becomes more aware of the value of this work. In N.S.W., increased interest is shown in increased giving. There is still much to be done, but the fact that the greatly increased work and staff at the various centres have been provided for during the year is a source of encouragement.

The Capital Fund, inaugurated primarily for the Carnarvon Water Scheme, and thence all capital expenditure, has received good acceptance.

The visits of Mr. and Mrs. Park to New South Wales and of the N.S.W. Treasurer (Mr. Knight) to Carnarvon and Norseman Missions have stimulated interest in many centres. Mr. Knight took many photographs, which will be made into slides and shown where requested.

COMMITTEE members for the past year were: Mr. L. G. Read, Chairman; Mr. R. Mercer, Acting-Chairman (since Mr. Read's removal to Hamilton); Mr. G. Knight, Mr. R. Wakeley, Mr. W. Donaldson, Miss Bell and Mrs. McCallum. The Committee appreciated the interest and attendance of the Conference President (Mr. W. Crossman) at most of the meetings throughout the year.

L. G. READ, Chairman.
RUBY McCALLUM, Secretary.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST CHAPEL EXTENSION COMMITTEE'S REPORT

As from last Conference, the personnel of the Chapel Extension Committee was changed and now consists of the members of the Churches of Christ Property Trust.

We are informed that The Chapel Extension Fund Ltd. is in course of liquidation, and it is expected certain assets will later be handed over by the Liquidator at the request of the Shareholders of the Company to augment the Chapel Extension Fund.

There has been little call for money during the year owing to the difficulty of Churches getting permits to secure building materials.

Last Conference endorsed our recommendation that a plan be inaugurated to provide the funds for the erection of at least one new Chapel each year by seeking 500 or more members willing to contribute £1 per year for this purpose. The Conference Executive has selected Caringbah as the centre for the first building under this scheme, and has approved of an appeal to the Brotherhood during the period, May 15th to June 5th. We commend this appeal to the Brotherhood, and expect that it will be the means of establishing many flourishing causes for Christ in New South Wales in the years to follow.

J. L. STIMSON, Chairman.
P. H. MORTON, Secretary.

NEW SOUTH WALES CHURCHES OF CHRIST—ABORIGINES' MISSION BOARD.
Statement of Receipts and Payments, Year ending 31st December, 1949.

RECEIPTS.

Credit Balance brought forward	£	s.	d.
Annual Offering	66	18	10
Duplex Offering	297	4	7
C.E. Societies and Bible Schools	236	18	9
Clubs	8	15	8
Lighting Plant Fund	2	0	0
Orphan Fund	8	4	6
Special Gifts	28	13	0
Sisters' Offering	5	8	0
Conference Offering	43	11	9
	20	4	9

£717 19 10

G. E. KNIGHT, Hon. Treasurer. 7th January, 1950.

CHAPEL EXTENSION COMMITTEE.

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, twelve months ended December 31, 1949.

RECEIPTS.

To Balance brought forward	£	s.	d.
Loans Repaid	137	10	0
Interest Payments	10	15	0
Bank Exchange	30	8	8
Commission			
	178	14	2

£860 6 11

Balance Sheet as at December 31, 1949.

£	s.	d.
£1,332	9	8
Total Funds		
1,332	9	8

W. K. HUNTER, Treasurer.

£1,332 9 8

EXPENDITURE.

Federal Board	£	s.	d.
Sisters' Federal Conference	479	10	1
"Messenger" Committee	36	0	0
Rudder's Ltd.	28	12	6
S. H. Pierce (Packing Charges)	3	14	9
Jackson & Spring (Transport Charges)	12	10	0
Conference Expenses	19	16	6
Duplex Envelopes	4	17	8
Fares (D. Nicholls, Mr. and Mrs. Park)	9	0	0
Secretary's Expenses	10	7	3
Postage, Telephone	21	5	11
Printing, Stationery	6	10	10
Sundry Expenses	6	7	9
Balance carried forward	4	2	6
	75	4	1

£717 19 10

Audited and found correct, T. W. DUNNE, A.C.

DISBURSEMENTS.

By Loan, Mortdale	£	s.	d.
Bank Exchange	103	19	2
	1	3	
Balance in Bank, 31/12/49			
	104	0	5
	756	6	6

£860 6 11

Balance Sheet as at December 31, 1949.

£	s.	d.
£1,332	9	8
Total Funds		
1,332	9	8

Cash in Bank	£	s.	d.
Loans—			
Grafton	165	0	2
Mortdale	44	9	2
Tempe	366	13	10
	576	3	2

W. K. HUNTER, Treasurer.

£1,332 9 8

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Youth Department is very conscious that the blessing of God has been on its activities during 1949, and presents this report with gratitude to Him and the many friends of youth through whom He works.

In an endeavour to cut expenses and since Committee activities are reported monthly through the "messenger" and "Youth Magazine," the report has been reduced to a minimum.

The following have served on the Committee this year: Chairman, B. E. Perkins; Vice Chairman, F. H. Morton; Treasurer, W. H. Smau; Messrs. D. Craig, R. Greenaugh, J. Morris, R. A. Rae, P. Wilton, J. Laidlaw, Misses L. I. Bye, D. Smau, Mrs. W. Turner. Co-opted members, Mrs. R. H. Wakeley, Misses H. Sneyers, R. Samonas, Mr. Neil Dunoon.

Bible School Activities.—Supervisors continue to lead effectively each section of Bible school activities.

Bible school enrolment is as follows: 69 Schools, 5,611 Scholars, 700 Teachers, a gain of 6 schools, 60 teachers, and a loss of 6 scholars.

New schools have opened at Grafton, under supervision of Arthur Collier; Cairns Falls, under supervision of Laidlaw, under the supervision of Sneyers. For all these centres the Department has accepted the responsibility of sending supplies.

100 out of the examination, 100% gained the highest number of points, awards, 3 firsts, 2 seconds.

City Temple and Friends' Circle workers to send supplies, materials, and Bible books, Auburn South, respectively.

Examination sheets were awarded to Bexley North, Honour; Canby Vale, Farrington, three, Wagga, "B" class sheets. A special sheet was presented to Farrington for gaining five annual sheets.

Assistance is given Bible School workers through Superintendents' and secretaries' Guild, to which all teachers are invited, exhibition, teachers' conferences, costume room, the three S. O. G. G. recognition, dramas, happy hours, self-teaching lesson sheets, expression work sheets.

Christian Endeavour.—C.E. enrolment is 29 Junior Societies, with 668 members, 20 Intermediate Societies, 212 members, 22 Young Peoples Societies, 543 members.

We commend Bexley North Intermediates for winning the Varcoe Cocks Memorial Shield and the Auburn Christian Endeavour Cup, also another cup on being "runners-up" for the Auburn C.E. Cup.

The Committee is co-operating with other State C.E. Associations in raising money for a panel van for "Our India."

Clubs.—Newly appointed Clubs Supervisor, John Laidlaw, is stimulating club work. F.C.S.O. enrolment stands at 3 P.B.P., 1 Junior P.B.P., 5 K.S.P., 2 Junior K.S.P., with a total membership of 200.

Young Worshipers' League.—Only Churches have Y.W. Leagues. We would like to see more operating.

Isolated Scholars are served through the Isolated Youth Fellowship and Isolated Cradle Roll.

Youth Evangelism.—The result of co-ordinating all youth work into the one aim of soul saving, Spirit strengthening and selfless serving is seen in the fact that were won for the Lord from the ranks of youth. In this work 15 young people and six adults came as a result of the Director's services. The Director conducted a mission at Seven Hills when two were immersed, a tent mission at Beirose resulting in four baptisms. The Youth Evangelistic Party (Miss S. Barker, soloist; Peter Jackson, song-leader; Ken Wrigley, pianist; Keith Rouxel, pianist) assisted in these campaigns. Further missions are planned for Hurstville and Lismore.

GENERAL ACTIVITIES.—Camps and House Parties grow in numbers and effectiveness. Eight decisions resulted in the Sydney Junior Camp.

Programme Committee has demonstrated the growth of interest in youth work by necessitating the holding of functions in the Assembly Hall.

Young People's Musical Society has ceased regular practice through removal of members. It will still serve the Brotherhood for special occasions. Appreciation of their excellent service over four years is recorded.

Social Activities.—Outings on public holidays were arranged. A cricket team was sent to Melbourne at Christmas and ably represented the New South Wales Churches.

Publications.—The "Parent, "Home Scholars Own" and "Youth Magazine" contact homes, isolated scholars and youth generally.

Training Course.—A short three months' course proved very helpful.

Youth Conference.—A most successful Youth Conference-Convention was held April 25, and will become an annual gathering of youth.

Crusade for a Christian World.—The Youth Department is enthusiastically participating in the crusade.

Use of Y.P.D. Equipment.—Y.P.D. Tent (and Happy Hour equipment) was lent to Belrose and Bankstown for special efforts, and will be lent to Bowral and Mosman for special work.

Office Assistant.—Since last Conference, Miss V. Piper, Burwood, has been engaged as a second office assistant; this appointment was a necessary addition of the Youth Dept. taking on the Supplies Dept.

Mortdale Supervision.—At the request of the Mortdale Church the Committee has undertaken the supervision of the work. Surrounding Churches have promised co-operation in conducting the services.

Assistant Director.—We welcome Bro. W. Turnell, Paddington, to this position and pray God's blessing on his service.

Exhibition.—By the time this report is published the Exhibition will be history. It is expected to be outstanding.

Christian Workers' Training Course, conducted by the Youth Department with the Home Mission and Bible College Committees co-operating, commenced in March. This fills a definite need and challenges men and women of the Churches to preparation for service.

War Memorial Youth Centre.—Much correspondence and many visits have failed to secure a site. Prayer is requested for guidance in this project. The grant at Narrabeen made by the Tenders Dept. was cancelled by the Main Roads Board.

Appreciation.—The Committee records its recognition and appreciation of the services given by the many friends of youth in weekly office help, preparation of lessons and outlines, typing, transport, to all "Youth Magazine" agents, supervisors, examiners, the officers of City Temple and Enmore, and the many who help at the special youth rallies, demonstrations, etc., and to all camp leaders and staff, and for fellowship in finance.

Future Work.—Plans for 1950 cover all routine work plus the following special efforts:—

Weekly deputation visits to Churches, C.E. and Clubs.

Exhibition Extraordinary, Enmore Tabernacle, March 8, 9, 10.

Christian Workers' Training Course, commencing March 5th.

Talent Quest in each district with grand final concert.

Happy Hours and Missions at Hurstville and Lismore.

"Intermediate Year" and campaign of special emphasis to win Intermediates.

Crusade for a Christian World—whole-hearted co-operation.

Finance.—The receipts from all sources to the General Fund were, this year, a total of £1,906/9/7, including the amount of £204 transferred from the Youth Centre Fund for the purchase of equipment, will be used in the Youth Centre when this is established. The expenditure was £1,979/14/11, leaving a debit balance of £73/5/4.

This position must be one to give the Brotherhood some concern, as it shows a continued drift in the Y.P.D. finances, which can only be arrested by continued and increased offerings from the Churches.

As will be seen, the Annual Offering, in which 38 Churches took part, amounted to £301/3/6, a further slight drop from last year's figures, both in the total amount of money received and in the number of Churches taking part.

The Duplex Offerings also showed a slight drop over the year, the total amount received being £291/12/10 from 27 Churches, this number being the same as last year.

Personal donations were only half of last year's figure, being £65/7/8 as against £125/1/-, while the donations from Bible Schools, Clubs and C.E. Societies were also very much down, with £54/18/11 as against £125/16/7 last year.

This position has given the Committee considerable concern, as the rapidly expanding work, increased costs and salaries throw extra expense on the Committee, which can only be met by increased giving from the members of the Brotherhood. The Committee has endeavoured to do its part by ensuring that every possible economy is observed. An examination of the Financial Register, which shows the total income from all sources from each Church, will show that some greater attention is needed in our giving to the Lord's work.

The new system of contributions to the Cot Fund has enabled us to meet all our commitments to the Royal Alexandria Hospital for Children for the first time for a number of years from the contributions received. Total receipts were £44/13/11, and expenditure was £41/5/-, with a balance of £3/8/11 transferred to the General Fund.

The Publishing Fund continues to grow steadily. The sales during the year amounted to £21/14/3, which with a credit balance brought forward amounted to £37/0/11. A loan of £30 was repaid during the year, and the balance carried forward is £7/0/11.

The S. O. Gole Fund enables many young people's workers to borrow books from this source. Receipts were £15/11/2 and expenditure was £15/0/11, leaving a credit balance of £8/14/5.

The Mission Cot Fund was established during the year and has a credit balance of £25/0/10.

The Youth Centre Fund during the year received donations of £65 and interest amounted to £10/9/-, which, added to the balance brought forward, made a total of £1,951/6/- Expenditure was, by transfer to the General Fund, £204 and other expenditure £8/14/4, a total of £212/14/4, leaving a balance of £1,738/11/8.

Mention must be made of a special donation of £15 by the Bexley North Church towards the reduction of the debit balance brought forward from last year. This special effort was very much appreciated.

In conclusion, we would thank all those who have helped towards the finances of the department, and trust that in the coming year God will bless us all, as we seek in various ways to further His work among the young people of our Churches.

FEDERAL BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The Board is busy preparing new lesson material commencing January, 1951. The Board receives token payments from Youth Departments of all States, part profit from lesson materials and profit from sale of its publications.

Publications.—In addition to assistance in production of lesson material, the following have been published:

"LEADER'S KIT." Approximately 850 copies of vol. 1 were sold, and orders for No. 2 will maintain the circulation figure.

"How Shall I Study the Bible?" 1,000 copies printed were sold.

"From Hosea to Jesus," an Easter camp study has been prepared by L. A. Trezise, B.A.

The Board has also attended to such Federal Youth activities as Scripture Examination, Youth week and Annual Offering.

SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT.

Results of trading during the year which has just closed have been satisfactory, as indicated by the accompanying balance sheet, trading account and profit and loss account. The total sales during this period were £1,633/16/7, and the net profit, after making allowance for all expenses (including full support of junior assistant), depreciation, and provision for bad debts, amounted to £86/11/8, which has been carried forward to the Capital Account.

Out of the profits accruing from the year's trading, £106 of interest-free loan was repaid. However, a further interest-free loan of £100 was made during the year, which was made use of by purchasing further stocks. We wish to again record our appreciation to those Brethren who have made these loans, and who have also lodged Bank Overdraft Guarantees, since without them the excellent trading results would not have been possible. Your Committee intends to continue the practice of putting £10 per month aside to build up a fund for the repayment of these loans.

The value of stock on hand is somewhat high, due to stocks coming in late for the School Anniversary period sales, and it is hoped that this figure will be reduced since it is causing a shortage of cash. In this respect it would be very helpful to the Committee if the brotherhood would pay their accounts promptly, and thus reduce amounts outstanding shown under Sundry Debtors. Unfortunately, it was also necessary to make provision for bad debts, outstanding for some considerable time. The cash position was also aggravated by the theft of some monies from the office during December, and which have been included in General Expenses.

We wish to thank the brotherhood for the response to our efforts to build up the Supplies Department, and ask for their continued support in the future.

B. E. PERKINS, Chairman.
W. H. SMALL, Treasurer.
R. GREENHALGH, Director.

ADDENDUM.

The Y.P. Committee once more wish to record their thanks to their Heavenly Father for the consecrated service of our Youth Director, Bro. Roy Greenhalgh. His leadership has been sacrificial and an inspiration to all those who came in contact with him, and we pray for his continued guidance from above and for his continued good health that we might together have another joyous year among the youth of this State. We would also record our appreciation of the fine help given to our Director by Miss Jean Murray and Miss Piper, without whom the work of our Department would have been much curtailed.

B. E. PERKINS, Chairman.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN NEW SOUTH WALES — YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT. Cash Statement for Year ended 31st December, 1949. General Fund.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
To	Debit	By	d.
To Special Donations to reduce last year's Debit Balance	15 0 0	By Debit Balance brought forward	104 0 2
Church's Annual Offering	301 3 6	Directors' Salary	442 0 0
Church's Duplex Offering	291 12 10	Travelling Expenses, etc.	96 2 0
Personal Donations	65 7 8	Office Assistant's Salary	276 4 0
Bible Schools, Clubs, C.E., etc.	54 18 11	Supplies, Assistant's Salary	147 15 5
Silver Watch, Appeal	11 12 9	Parent, Printing and Postage	76 0 0
Seeing Your Weight Appeal	85 0 7	Exam. Prizes, Certificates, etc.	25 0 10
Donations—Office Assist. Salary	4 0 0	Conference Executive Committee	32 0 0
Donations—Directors' Expenses	29 18 3	Federal Board of Christian Education	30 0 0
Donations—Supplies, Assist. Salary	10 0 0	Office Expenses, Phones, etc.	79 6 6
Donations—Cost of New Gestetner	45 0 0	Stationery, Youth Magazine, S.T., Romeo, Kindergarten Supplies	141 17 6
Donations—Cost of New Typewriter	38 5 6	Repayments on New Gestetner Machine	29 0 0
Supplies, Asst. Salary—from Suppl. Dept.	165 15 5	Demonstration, Elsteddell	124 7 0
Transfer from Youth Centre Fund	13 0 0	Happy Hour Missions	15 0 1
Receipts—Demonstration and Elsteddell	204 0 0	Hour Party, Training Classes, Youth Conf., etc.	20 8 9
House Parties, Train. Class, Youth Conference, etc.	140 0 0	Petty Cash, Postage, etc.	51 7 10
Examination Fees	36 2 2	Seeing Your Weight, Printing, Postage, etc.	10 19 6
Parent	27 6 5	Messenger Management Committee	20 11 6
Supplies	66 13 6	Printing	48 19 10
Ronooing	54 19 6	Supplies	57 12 6
Self Teaching Lessons	67 15 11	Purchase of Typewriter	72 12 6
Happy Hour Missions	10 10 10	Expenses for Camp	12 13 4
Youth Magazine	34 4 9	Miscellaneous	72 16 5
Kindergarten Supplies	30 0 9	Expenses, Annual Offering	7 16 6
Miscellaneous	19 15 11	Conference Executive-Crusade Expenses	7 16 6
Camp Expenses Refunded	5 4 0		
Contributions to Office Expenses	5 15 8		
Cost Fund Balance Transferred	3 8 11		
Printing Refunds	4 11 6		
Postage Refunds	3 19 1		
Crusade Receipts	10 0 0		
Stationery Refunds	10 0 0		
Donation, Dhond Hospital Wagon	73 5 4		
Debit Balance			
	£1,979 14 11		£1,979 14 11

I hereby certify that I have examined all books, vouchers, etc., of the Churches of Christ in N.S.W., Young People's Department, for the Conference year ended 31/12/49, and certify that they are in accordance herewith.
WILLIAM H. SMALL, Treasurer.
G. MARLEY, Auditor. 17/2/50.

SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT.
Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1949.

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Loan Account	450 0 0	Office Equipment—	
A further £50 Bank Overdraft Guarantee		At 31st December, 1949	27 0 0
has been lodged at bank.		Less Depreciation	3 0 0
Capital Account—		Stock, at cost	825 13 2
At 31st December, 1949	118 17 8	Less Depreciation	20 18 0
Transferred from Book Room	64 0 0	Sundry Debtors	814 15 2
Transferred from P. & L. A/c	86 11 8	Cash at Bank	170 10 1
Sundry Creditors	269 9 4	Petty Cash	11 14 6
Telephone Suspense A/c	3 0 0		10 0 0
	£1,030 19 9		£1,030 19 9

Trading Account for Twelve Months Period ending 31st December, 1949.

To Stock, 31st December, 1948	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Purchases	696	8	0	1,633	16	7
Gross Profit carried forward	1,354	5	6	835	13	2
	£2,469	9	9			

Profit and Loss Account for Twelve Months Period ending 31st December, 1949.

To Salaries	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Rent of Office	195	7	11	By Gross Profit carried forward	418	16
Telephone Rental and Calls	29	15	10	Cleaning Contribution	28	15
Advertising	9	19	4			
Postage	13	0	0			
Freight	9	19	3			
Stationery	7	16	3			
General Expenses	5	4	1			
Bank Charges	45	16	1			
Duty Stamps	3	4	3			
Insurance	1	7	4			
Interest on Loan	5	15	6			
Depreciation of Furniture	3	2	0			
Bad Debts	3	0	0			
Depreciation of Stock	6	16	4			
Net Profit transferred to Capital Account	20	18	0			
	86	11	8			
	£447	12	0			

Audited and found correct.

E. T. YEARS, Hon. Auditor.

B. E. PERKINS, Hon. Treasurer.

SOCIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT

It is with gratitude to God for all His mercies and goodness that we once more submit our annual report to Conference.

COMMITTEE.

The following were elected to serve on the Committee: Bren. E. Davis (Chairman) 11, R. H. Douglas 6, H. T. Edwards 8, W. J. E. Lewis 9, G. Morton 10, W. C. Roffey 9, Mrs. McArthur 6, E. Oswald 8, N. H. Matthews 9, A. C. Maclean 9, T. Hawkins 10.

At the outset we wish to point out that a large amount of the work of our Committee is not spectacular, but private and done in secret, as the work of relief and helping the distressed must naturally be.

In the larger work of the Committee we have been able to give help and advice on many matters, and in this connection we are indebted to Bro. W. J. Crossman for his co-operation.

MAITLAND FLOODS.

£53 was sent to the relief of victims of the flood, and large parcels of clothing sent to the Red Cross for distribution in this district.

KEMPSEY FLOOD.

£18 was sent to this district and also some clothing. Our Committee requested Mr. Roy Acland, preacher at Mayfield, to undertake both of these jobs, and it was carried out faithfully and appreciated by all.

A number of our Churches responded to our appeal for help for these disasters.

COAL STRIKE: AND GENERAL RELIEF.

In connection with this State-wide disaster your Committee played quite a part in helping in the distribution of funds and relief, besides parcels of groceries, etc.

We were allotted by the Lord Mayor of Sydney from special funds, £250; together with this we placed money from our own funds (received from many of our Churches) and helped many needy cases and families throughout the State. A total of £334 was expended.

CHRISTMAS CHEER.

£43 was distributed to pensioners and needy cases to help with a little extra for the festive season. A donation to this fund is received from the Government each year.

FOOD FOR BRITAIN.

Money received from different sources throughout the year, amounting to £23, was sent in parcels to needy brethren and sisters in Great Britain.

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP ASSOCIATION.

The funds in this Association have increased yearly, and now stand at £2,843. Cases helped this year were to the value of £737. Over a period of years the Association has loaned (including last year) money to the value of £5,222 free of interest. Repayments are made, and money used again and again to help others. Many grateful expressions have been received from those so helped, and all helped have been our own members.

TEMPERANCE WORK.

We have representations on the N.S.W. Alliance, Band of Hope Union (who conduct Temperance Examinations in all Public Schools), and Alliance of Honour, and endeavour to make our voice heard in all Social Questions.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS.

In connection with the Public Questions work of the Social Service Department, letters have been forwarded to the "Sun" newspaper, protesting against the use of its pages for liquor propaganda.

To the Federal Minister for Health, urging him, in the interests of national health and efficiency, to endeavour to do his best to introduce legislation, aiming at the education of our young people to a realisation of the effects, on our national life and health, of the drink traffic.

A letter was also forwarded to the "Readers' Digest" magazine, protesting against the inclusion of liquor advertisements in this journal, this being a departure from its policy up to some months ago.

Protests have also been sent to the Chief Secretary, protesting against gambling at night trotting races, and the encouragement given to gambling generally by the Authorities.

PRAYER MEETINGS.

During the year members of the Committee have attended many of the mid-week prayer meetings of our Churches, and asked the privilege of again attending this year and placing before the members the aims and ideals of our Committee.

FINANCIAL.

We are grateful to all Churches and many interested members for their support throughout the year.

Our Statements have been duly audited and appear herewith.

During the year many and varied State-wide appeals are made, and all churches that send money in answer to these appeals are urged to send it through your own Church Committee to forward it on. In this way the world will realise that your Church is interested in others, and are willing to share others' burdens.

THANKS.

In connection with C.F.A., our special thanks are tendered to all agents for their untiring efforts right throughout the year.

We take this opportunity of thanking all members of the Brotherhood who have faithfully given of their means to the work of Social Service and Christian Fellowship Association, and who have encouraged us during the year.

To the Church Officers who have advocated our work, for help given by preaching brethren. To our Conference President for his interest. To the Editors of the "Christian Messenger" and the "Australian Christian."

To the Officers of the City Temple and Enmore Tabernacle for the use of their buildings for Conference purposes, etc.

To Bro. W. K. Hunter as Auditor.

E. DAVIS, Chairman.
GEO. MORTON, Hon. Secretary.
H. T. EDWARDS, Hon. Treasurer.

AIMS FOR 1950-1951.

1. Co-ordination of all Social Service Activities of the Brotherhood.
2. Appointment of Special Hospital Visitor.
3. Cottage Homes for Aged Couples.
4. Make a determined effort to introduce C.F.A. to all members of all Churches on the principle that C.F.A. is to help needy saints.
5. For increased interest in Social Service work, for the relief of the poor and needy outside the Church, and to carry out a plan of campaign against all social evils.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN NEW SOUTH WALES—THE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP ASSOCIATION.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for Year ending 31st December, 1949.

EXPENDITURE.		INCOME.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Administrative Expenses—		By Members' Contributions	342 7 9
Postages, Stationery, Office Expenses	10 15 0	Loan Repayments	193 12 1
Printing	21 1 0	Cash Donations	9 16 0
Cost of Diaries	17 7 9	Sale of Diaries	22 17 3
Loans Granted	737 0 6	Bank Interest	20 7 4
Balance at Bank and Cash on Hand	971 8 9	Balance at Bank and in Hand, 31/12/48	1,168 12 7
	£1,757 13 0		£1,757 13 0

Assets of Association, 31/12/49.

Balance at Bank	£ s. d.
Cash in Hand	956 8 10
Loan Balances	14 19 11
	1,872 7 9
	£2,843 16 6

I have examined the books, vouchers and returns of the Christian Fellowship Association, and hereby certify that the above Statement of Receipts and Expenditure and accompanying Statement of Assets properly set out the position disclosed thereby.

(Sgd.) W. K. HUNTER, Hon. Auditor.

H. T. EDWARDS, Hon. Treasurer.

In the Islands much attention is being given to bring the churches to spiritual maturity. The legacy of war brought some material gains, and the high prices obtaining in present world markets have brought ready cash into the hands of the people, especially in the case of Aoba.

EVANGELISTIC.

About fifty baptisms were reported at the annual meetings held in India, and since then fourteen baptisms are reported from Shrigonda. Some of these additions come from the homes under our control.

The return of Mr. Hariba Waghmode will add greatly to the strength of evangelistic workers.

The Friendship Centre under Mr. John Bairagi at Baramati is increasing in usefulness. The workers say that in the future this Centre is likely to be the main "preaching" centre in the Baramati area.

Faithful work was continued by the native teachers in the Islands. Pentecost reported twenty-eight recent baptisms, the entire population of one village. To signify their intention to make a new start, they built a new village, and at this early stage it shows a cleanliness and orderliness hitherto unknown.

MEDICAL.

Dhond has had another conspicuous year. More patients, more work, but with insufficient accommodation and staff. Dr. Michael and staff have given loyal support. Dr. Rattan W. Parkhe expects to join the staff this year. This would give relief to Drs. Michael and Patil and allow Dr. Michael to work on his cherished plan of medical-evangelistic work in the villages.

Much sickness has kept the Island workers busy. The hospital has been functioning well on Aoba, and consideration will be given for a similar unit for Pentecost. A whooping cough epidemic has added to the burden on Aoba. About 500 injections were given at a cost of £103. This was ordered as a charge on the Mission, but the teachers said this would be their responsibility and they would have the villagers make recompense. At the opening of the hospital, £70 was donated for medical work.

FEDERAL FINANCE.

The Federal Board reports that the general giving of the Brotherhood increased £350 over the previous year, bringing the total to £13,604. Increasing costs only allowed the Board to finish with a credit of £14.

At the time of writing, the Islands had not taken their regular offering. The average over the past two years has been £1,000. As an earnest of their goodwill, £500 was donated by the small trading stores to be used as "endowment," but could be used in an emergency. When this gift was made over, it was stated "The Annual Offering is yet to come."

STATE FINANCE.

During the year the churches of this State have given to the work of Overseas Missions the sum of £1,735/3/1, while £76/15/8 was received from rents, £26/9/2 from sale of stamps and £22/12/5 from sundry sources, making a total of £1,851/0/4.

This year the large amount received from the Islands in the two previous years has not come to hand. Some churches did not send in their money early enough to be included in the report for this year. Had this money been received in time, it would have shown another £100 on the balance sheet.

Thanks are again due to our Treasurer, Miss H. V. Rofe, for the amount of time given to keeping the books of the Committee. With the advent of new workers to the field this becomes an increasing task. We also thank Mr. P. Verco, who acts as Auditor.

COMMITTEE.

The following Committee have served this year: Mr. C. R. Graham (Chairman), Miss Rofe (Treasurer), and Ira A. Paternoster (Secretary). Mr. Casperson, Mr. Yelds, Mr. Eager and Mr. Perkins, together with Mrs. McCallum and Miss Winks, have made up the rest of the Committee.

C. R. GRAHAM, Chairman.
IRA A. PATERNOSTER, Secretary.

ADDENDUM.

The members of the Committee desire to record their sincere appreciation of the self-sacrificing service rendered over the years in the Name of our Master, by our esteemed Secretary, Bro. I. A. Paternoster.

—C. GRAHAM, Chairman.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

(Continued from Page 32)

CLAUSE 10—COMMITTEES.

CLAUSE 10, Sub-clause (g), second paragraph. That the words "assist in" be inserted between the words "calling to" and "its pastoral oversight."

—O. WAINWRIGHT.

CLAUSE 10, Sub-clause (m). The words "President-elect, or" be deleted.

—N. D. MORRIS.

CLAUSE 10, Sub-clause (a). After the word "districts," insert "and to institute and develop the circuit system where possible and advisable."

—N. D. MORRIS.

CLAUSE 10, Sub-clause (g). After the words, "suitable preachers," appearing in the sixth line, insert the following words, "The Board shall at the commencement of the final year at the Bible College of probable diplomas and/or exit students, endeavour to seek placements for them, and to follow and interest itself in the student's career for a reasonable period."

—N. D. MORRIS.

CLAUSE 10, Sub-clauses (k) to (n) to become (l) to (o), and insert a new Sub-clause (k) as follows:—

"(k) A Nomination Committee to seek out and nominate as many brethren as possible for election to Committees of Conference. It shall consist of five members, three to form a quorum."

—N. D. MORRIS.

CLAUSE 11—CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE.

CLAUSE 11, Sub-clause (f). The words "President-elect" be deleted.

—N. D. MORRIS.

CLAUSE 11, Sub-clause (e). After the word "members," the following words be added, "and to offer advice on any matter submitted to it by any Church, and to arbitrate, if requested so to do, but with due regard to scriptural authority and teaching."

—N. D. MORRIS.

CLAUSE 12—NOMINATIONS.

CLAUSE 12, Nominations. After the word, "brethren," appearing in the fourth line, insert the words, "or from the Nominations Committee."

—N. D. MORRIS.

CLAUSE 12, Nominations. Delete all words after the word "attached."

—N. D. MORRIS.

N.S.W. CHURCHES OF CHRIST OVERSEAS MISSION COMMITTEE.
Cash Statement for the Year ending 31st December, 1949.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Collections—						
Annual Offering	632	19	2			
Weekly Offerings	359	16	3			
Children's Day	15	3	4			
Orphans	106	7	6			
Native Teachers	50	12	0			
Dhond Hospital	63	13	0			
Goodly Pearls	17	10	6			
Special Donations—				1,246	1	9
New Hebrides	35	17	0			
Medical Equip. (Mrs. Smith)	11	0	0			
Map, Launch, X-ray	34	0	6			
Microscope, etc.	15	0	0			
Friendship Centre	106	12	6			
Dhungey	5	13	10			
Sundries	15	0	0			
	67	15	0			
Sale of Stamps				290	18	10
Rents—				26	9	2
Stanmore Cottage	58	15	8			
Chinese Ref.	18	0	0			
Conference Offering				76	15	8
Sundry Sales—Maps, etc.				20	2	6
Sisters—				5	10	6
Living Link	143	0	0			
Milk Fund	20	0	0			
Refund, Wireless Duty				163	0	0
Special Donation				17	1	11
				5	0	0
				£1,851	0	4

I have examined the books and vouchers of the N.S.W. Churches of Christ Overseas Mission Committee for the year ending 31st December, 1949, and I certify that the above statement is correct and in accordance therewith.
P. VERCO, Auditor. 9th Jan., 1950.

PAYMENTS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Cash remitted to Federal Board	230	7	9			
Cash received direct, Fed. Board	184	17	8			
Cash paid on behalf of Board	1,653	7	8			
Minus Refund from Board	628	2	3			
Chinese Rent and Light				1,440	10	10
Conference Committees—				52	2	5
Messenger	17	0	0			
Conference Executive	15	0	0			
Crusade Exs.	7	10	0			
Musical Society	2	2	0			
Petty Cash and Allowance				41	12	0
Fares				62	2	11
Postages				16	12	0
Stationery				11	4	10
National Missionary Council				3	8	9
Phones				3	3	4
Visiting Missionaries				13	6	8
				37	9	2
Credit, Bank Balance				1,681	12	11
				169	7	5
				£1,851	0	4

HOME MISSIONARY COMMITTEE REPORT

At the outset of this report we express grateful thanks to our Heavenly Father, Who, through the past year of service, has shown Himself to be a "Very Present Help."

The experiences of the year made it necessary on many occasions for the Committee to cry to God for Grace, Wisdom and Power. With deep gratitude we acknowledge that He not only heard our cry but met our need.

COMMITTEE PERSONNEL.

Those who served on the Committee during the year were Sister Mrs. Paterson and Bren. G. E. Burns, F. A. Button, A. L. Carter, B. G. Corlett, W. J. Crossman (Con. Pres.), L. S. Dewberry, L. E. Jones, P. E. Thomas, P. Verco and R. H. Wakeley. Bro. E. C. Hinrichsen served as Director of Evangelism and attended meetings when possible. Bro. Burns was made Committee Chairman, Bro. Corlett Vice-Chairman, Bro. Button Secretary, Bro. Dewberry Assistant Secretary, Bro. Wakeley Treasurer, Bro. Verco Assistant Treasurer, and Sister Mrs. Paterson Sisters' Home Missions Representative.

ILLNESSES AND RESIGNATION REGRETTED.

Sickness deprived the Committee of the valuable support of some members for short periods during the year.

Bro. Thomas, who had capably served as Secretary during 1948, was forced to withdraw from nomination for that office after Conference due to illness, and had to absent himself from two consecutive meetings whilst recuperating.

Also Bro. Carter, whose labours on behalf of the Committee are valued, underwent an operation and was thus laid aside for a number of weeks.

Bro. Hinrichsen, also, was granted leave to undergo hospital treatment and convalescence. We thank God for the recovery and return of these Brethren.

The Committee also deeply regretted the resignation of Bro. Button from the Secretaryship and membership of the Committee made necessary by his promotion and removal to Wagga Wagga. His going was a great loss to the Committee. Bro. Dewberry was appointed Secretary in his place.

DIRECTOR'S ACTIVITIES.

Immediately following a most successful mission at Belmore, during which 60 confessions were taken and a thank-offering of over £400 was received, Bro. Hinrichsen informed a specially convened meeting of the Committee that he had been urgently instructed by his doctor to spend a period in hospital for special treatment and rest.

The Committee regretted the Director's indifferent state of health and expressed its wish that he comply with the doctor's request.

Thus the Committee unanimously granted immediate sick-leave to enable Bro. Hinrichsen to proceed to hospital for treatment and recuperation.

As the Committee was anxious that Bro. Hinrichsen should be fully restored to health before committing him to missions, there were no Tent Missions between April and the commencement of October, 1949.

However, toward the latter part of his period of convalescence, Bro. Hinrichsen rendered splendid service with the Church at Inverell. This ministry lasted for a number of weeks and was comprised of week-end services only. About 20 decisions resulted. Also, meetings were conducted with Bowral and Asquith Churches from which decisions resulted.

In early September, the Director commenced a mission with the Albury Church. In spite of torrential rain, the poliomyelitis scare and denominational opposition, a wonderful victory was won. There were over 50 decisions and a substantial thank-offering.

As a result of this mission, the church, which for twenty-two years had been subsidised, became self-supporting.

Then followed a mission at North Sydney, where the response was not great in comparison, but which yielded fifteen decisions and a thank-offering of £332/6/4, which, of course, made the mission abundantly worth while.

200 SOULS.

That does not sound many, and it is the Director's worst year, but he had a period in hospital and an enforced period of recuperation. However, he is grateful to our Heavenly Father for the opportunity to serve, and many of the souls were won in efforts apart from Missions. Not all were won in New South Wales; some very wonderful services were conducted at Rosewood, Bentleigh, Ipswich, Inverell, Bowral and Asquith. Then there were missions at Blackheath, Belmore, Albury and North Sydney. In all, more than 200 confessed faith in Christ. We thank God for these and ask His forgiveness for not doing better. May He guide us all in future efforts.

E. C. HINRICHSEN,
Director of Evangelism.

SONG LEADER.

Securing the services of a Song Leader for Tent Missions has been one of the extreme difficulties faced by the Committee in the past year. Mr. Machin, from Victoria, was engaged, but after serving capably for two missions (Blackheath and Belmore), returned to his home State. Again the Song Leader problem faced the Committee.

Bro. V. B. Morris, whose capable and faithful service in this capacity for many years has greatly contributed to the work of the Committee, the Brotherhood, and the Kingdom of God, volunteered to help for a period. After splendid service in the Albury and North Sydney missions, his health failed and he had to terminate his association with the Committee.

So, at the time of writing, the Committee is without a Song Leader.

SOULS IN MAY CAMPAIGN.

During the month of May the Committee identified itself with a "Gathering Souls In May" Campaign, which was arranged and launched by Bro. Hinrichsen.

Although under medical supervision and thus not able to take a "preaching part" in the campaign, Bro. Hinrichsen organised and directed it by letter from hospital.

Missions were held simultaneously at Wollongong, by Bro. L. E. Jones; North Auburn, by Bro. P. Retchford; Mosman, by Bro. G. E. Burns; Seven Hills, by Bro. R. Greenhalgh; Bankstown, by Bro. A. Baker; Fairfield, by Bro. L. S. Dewberry.

These missions yielded a combined total of 24 primary decision and nine decisions for reconsecration.

RADIO EVANGELISM.

The Sunday afternoon session broadcast from 2KA, Katoomba, has been maintained by the Committee and the Wentworth Falls Church sharing the cost. It is conducted very ably by Bro. Carter, who features very challenging Evangelistic messages which are surrounded by a very fine choice of sacred music. The Name and Message of the Churches of Christ are faithfully upheld in these sessions. Letters of appreciation and enquiry are continuously received by Bro. Carter.

In addition to this regular session, recorded addresses have been broadcast from some country stations by Bro. Hinrichsen.

TUGGERAH DISTRICT WITNESS.

The Committee has for some time thought that there ought to be some Church of Christ Witness in this vast area, not only for the sake of the permanent residents, but also for the many members of the Brotherhood who spend holiday periods in this district.

After much discussion as to where the services ought to be held, meetings commenced in the home of Bro. and Sister Purves, 4th Avenue,

Toowoona Bay. Toowoona Bay itself possesses possibilities, but is also a strategic point because it is neighbour to Long Jetty, The Entrance North and The Entrance South.

We are most fortunate in having the co-operation of Bro. and Sister Brookes, who have faithfully shepherded the work, with Bro. Brookes as preacher. It is quite probable that this new Church will be subsidised by the Committee by the time this report is being read.

HOME MISSION FIELDS.

Albury.—Bro. A. Morris is the preacher, and has had a very successful ministry of about 16 months. The mission conducted with this Church by Bro. Hinrichsen and Morris was a fine climax to the splendid work put into this field by the preacher. As a result of the mission this Church will have become self-supporting by the time this report goes to print.

Epping.—The ministry of this Church is being led by Bro. A. C. Maclean, who is very happy in his work there. During the year there have been five additions to the membership. The Church maintains a good standard and is at present engaged in a Crusade led by a special committee in co-operation with the Deacons of the Church. The Auxiliaries are very active, and adequate attention is being given to the needs of young people. The Ladies' Mission Band performed a commendable ministry during the year.

Grafton.—Bro. L. Wylie has just completed the first twelve months of the present ministry. Many difficulties have been encountered in carrying on the work in this beautiful city, but Bro. and Sister Wylie have helped the Committee and the Church by their sacrificial ministry.

Although the work has been most difficult, the month prior to time of writing brought heartening results.

Bro. Wylie has commenced visitation to outlying towns to explore the possibility of commencing meetings which can be supervised from Grafton. We crave your prayers for this work.

Lidcombe.—Bro. A. Baker continues his much appreciated ministry. There have been a number of additions during the year, and the work is in a pleasing condition. A Crusade is in progress at present, and is proving a blessing. Among the worthy Church Aims for the Crusade is an endeavour to reduce the subsidy being received from the Committee.

Merewether.—This Church received a subsidy from the Committee to help support the ministry of Bro. Retchford. Since Bro. Retchford left the field a student ministry has been maintained which eliminates the necessity for financial help.

The Committee expresses its sincere thanks and appreciation for Bro. Retchford's earnest and fruitful labours as preacher of the Merewether Church.

Seven Hills.—At the time of writing the ministry of this Church is being led by Bro. Eager, but he is shortly to leave for Queensland to commence a ministry with the Church at Kingaroy. We thank Bro. and Sister Eager for the work done at Seven Hills, and pray God's blessing upon them in their new field.

Seven Hills will not be receiving a subsidy while there is no preacher attached to the work.

RESIGNATION AND THANKS.

The Committee would here record its thanks to Bro. B. G. Corlett, who for about eleven years filled the position of Committee Chairman. We express appreciation for the guidance and wise counsel our Brother has given during his long period as Chairman.

At the commencement of this year Bro. Corlett declined nomination for this office and was succeeded by Bro. Burns.

ADDENDUM.

Since the compilation of this report, the Committee has received and accepted the resignation of Bro. Hinrichsen from the position of Tent Missioner. Bro. Hinrichsen's resignation was mainly due to his indifferent condition of health. The Committee takes this opportunity to express appreciation of the earnest and health taxing labours of Bro. Hinrichsen.

We are grateful to God for the way in which he has bestowed power

upon the mighty preaching of our Brother. The increase which God has given is sufficient evidence that He has set His seal upon Bro. Hinrichsen's evangelistic campaigns during his twelve years of activity as Tent Missioner in this State.

It is our earnest prayer that God will physically replenish our Brother and restore him to a continued preaching ministry.

STATEMENT OF SPECIAL FUNDS, AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1949.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Armistice Fund—						
Balance at 1st January, 1949	184	11	0			
Add Donation received	1	0	0			
				185	11	0
Special Mission Fund, balance brought forward, as before				104	0	0
William & Eliza Winter Memorial Fund, balance brought forward, as before				300	0	0
War Savings Certificates, balance, 1/1/49	26	0	0			
Less Certificates matured, cashed	15	0	0			
				11	0	0
Commonwealth Bonds held (face value)				1,350	0	0
Stanmore Cottage, 52 Clarendon Road (V.G.)	750	0	0			
Glebe Cottage, equity in Stimson Estate	600	0	0			
				1,350	0	0
Loans Outstanding at 31st December, 1948	498	4	10			
Less payments received—						
Georgetown	£70	0	0			
Wiley Park	200	0	0			
				270	0	0
				228	4	10
Balance outstanding on Tempe.						
Marquee (paid £249/10/7 to replace storm damage), say				250	0	0
Office Furniture and Typewriter, say				25	0	0
Total	£3,803	15	10			

ORGANISING SECRETARY.

During the year the Committee has given much consideration to the possibility of appointing an Organising Secretary for Home Mission work. After exploring the cost and a number of other features, it was decided that this would probably prove too big a venture upon which to launch the Committee. However, the Committee decided that much advantage would be gained by the appointment of a full-time secretary to attend to the joint affairs of the several Conference Committees. The Conference Executive has been requested to explore the possibility of such an appointment. The matter is still under review.

SUBSIDIES.

Although the Committee has been heavily taxed with the payment of subsidies for most of the year, there has come considerable relief due to certain circumstances. Seven Hills receives no subsidy while it is without a full-time preacher; Merewether is similarly placed, while Albury, as from January, will also be receiving no subsidy.

This relieves the Committee to the extent of £5/15/- per week at present, but it should be borne in mind that Seven Hills and Merewether may require financial aid again at any time. This relief may mean that two or three other fields which have applied for aid will have their applications granted.

G. E. BURNS, Chairman.
L. S. DEWBERRY, Secretary.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST BIBLE COLLEGE IN N.S.W.

The Board of Management submits its eighth report, for the year 1949, with thanksgiving to God for guidance and blessing.

The Board elected by Conference comprised the following: W. R. Avenell, J. W. Boswell, F.A.A. (Hon. Treasurer), B. G. Corlett (Hon. Sec.), E. Davis (Vice-Chairman), E. C. Hinrichsen, L. E. Jones, S. Laney, J. R. Little, W. C. Roffey and J. L. Stimson (Chairman). Principal H. J. Patterson, M.A., and W. J. Crossman, Conference President, also served ex-officio as required by the Constitution. The loss of Bro. J. R. Little, who passed to his reward, has been keenly felt by the Board; he had been a member of the Board since its inception, in 1942, and made a large contribution to the establishment and continuance of the College, primarily through his ministry of prayer, but also by his devoted skill as an artisan in providing accommodation and alterations at Woolwich. Bro. R. Souness, of City Temple, was appointed to the vacancy.

Faculty: Lecturers and their subjects, 1949:—

Principal H. J. Patterson, M.A.: New Testament, Apologetics, Ancient History, Christian Doctrine.

A. W. Ladbrook, M.A., Dip.Ed. (Senior Lecturer): Old Testament, Logic, Church History, Hermeneutics and Exegesis, Homiletics III.

I. A. Paternoster: Comparative Religion.

E. C. Hinrichsen: Evangelism.

R. Greenhalgh: Religious Education.

E. W. Roffey, B.A.: Greek I. and II., and Leaving English.

R. Amos: Homiletics I. and II.

Harrison Allen: Speech Training.

STUDENTS, 1949:

In Residence: R. W. Beadle, L. Burrell, B. E. Cavill, R. Clymer, E. F. Cook, N. B. Cooper, J. V. Ellerby, K. R. Fennell, P. Goodger, W. D. Howard, R. W. Hume, D. W. Mansell, N. Martin, P. E. Perry, N. C. Reese.

Non-Resident: G. J. Crossman, M. C. Leask, W. R. Rugendyke, W. A. Turnell.

W. D. Howard had to discontinue studies at the end of the second term in consequence of his mother's death, and his own illness. N. B. Cooper asked leave to discontinue study, and L. A. Burrell left just before the close of the year. Bro. Howard expects to return in 1950.

Churches served by Students for 1949 or part thereof were Auburn North, Blackheath, Bowral, Fairfield, Granville, Granville South, Hornsby, Manly, Merewether, Paddington, Parramatta North, Pendle Hill, Peter-sham, and Tempe. Fourteen churches were thus regularly served by fifteen Students; but other centres were also intermittently helped by other Students.

Diplomas were awarded to B. E. Cavill and M. C. Leask in November, 1949.

Calls have been accepted by the following exit students:—B. E. Cavill to Beverly Hills; R. Clymer to Roma (Queensland); W. A. Turnell to Paddington, where he had served as a student; M. C. Leask has also accepted a call to Queensland. D. Tonkin, a former student, has also gone to Rockhampton (Queensland).

B. K. Munro, who graduated in 1948, the first overseas missionary from Woolwich, left for India early in 1950.

There are now 25 ex-Woolwich men engaged in the full-time ministry (13 in New South Wales, 9 in Queensland, 2 in New Zealand, and 1 in India).

The year 1949 proved to be a very strenuous one for the majority of the students; in addition to studies, class work, church activities and visits by the Woolwich Evangelistic Party to different centres, missions were conducted at Bowral and Granville South by several of the men during

vacation; one of these efforts overlapped the first week of last term, during which signs of reaction and strain were in evidence. Nevertheless, the enthusiasm and evangelistic fervour of these young men, who are making substantial material sacrifices in order to fit themselves for the Master's service, are commendable and inspiring.

New Students, 1950: D. H. Paddon and M. R. Smith, both from Lismore, N.S.W.; D. B. Howell, from Annerley, Queensland. Total enrolment for 1950 is 16.

Finance: After bringing into accounts all items relating to the period under review the excess of income over expenditure for the year amounted to £616, as indicated in the annexed income and expenditure account and balance sheet.

A comparison with the accounts for the previous year discloses that expenses were £328 less, due mainly to the dererment of contemplated repairs in connection with the College properties, owing to the difficulty in obtaining necessary materials and skilled tradesmen to carry out the work at a reasonable cost.

Overall increase in income was £311, the chief sources of additional revenue being net proceeds of Spring Fete £283, and Board and Fees £131, these sums being offset by a drop in the annual offering of £96. The response to the Annual Offering was disappointing in view of the widely published objective. It will be remembered that the Board was directed by the last Easter Conference to place the Principal upon a full-time basis. Agreement has since been reached with Bro. Patterson concerning his engagement, and it is anticipated that he will commence his duties as full-time Principal by the time 1950 Conference meets.

Having embarked upon this progressive move, it is necessary to stress the need for the increased regular support of the Brotherhood, as the College is dependent upon the Brotherhood to carry on its task of equipping men for the ministry.

Property: The book valuation of the properties under the Board's control, as stated in the balance sheet, is last year's figure, £6,574, as compared with the Valuer-General's figure of £8,900. During the year an unsecured loan of £250 was repaid.

Thanks: Particular mention must be made of the splendid work of Principal H. J. Patterson, M.A., during yet another year of service at Woolwich, where a high standard has been maintained; we are thankful, indeed, that our brother is soon to be relieved of the oversight of a church so that he can devote his whole time to the College. The Principal has been loyally and ably supported by the Senior Lecturer, A. W. Laobrook, M.A., Dip.Ed.; the remainder of the faculty are volunteer lecturers, all of whom have churches or organising work to attend to, and we thank them for their valuable and consecrated help.

We thank Mrs. Patterson for her willing co-operation and gracious hospitality extended to visitors. Miss Nielsen contributed another year of efficient service as housekeeper and thus kept everyone fit and contented.

We acknowledge also with gratitude the services of Bro. E. Leach as Hon. Auditor, and A. W. M. Dickinson, LL.B., as Hon. Solicitor, and Bro. Gar. Maxwell as photographer. W. J. Crossman also rendered valuable help and counsel as Conference President.

The Board appreciates innumerable gifts and acts of kindness to the College and Students; these have become a feature of the life of the institution; a band of Chatswood ladies regularly visit the College and attend to the mending and darning necessities of the men; a wonderful contribution was made by many women of the Churches in connection with the successful fete last October. North Sydney and Burwood Churches entertained the Principal and Students at social gatherings.

In conclusion, we pray for the blessing of God on the united work of the whole brotherhood.

B. G. CORLETT,
Hon. Secretary.

J. L. STIMSON,
Chairman.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST BIBLE COLLEGE, N.S.W.

Income and Expenditure Account for the Year ended 31st December, 1949.

EXPENDITURE.		INCOME.	
£	£	£	£
To House Maintenance Expenses	376	By Students' Board and Fees	804
" Salaries and Lecture Fees	836	" Annual Offering	327
" Repairs, Renovations and Replacements	178	" Duplex Offerings	212
" Interest, Insurance and Telephone	71	" Net Proceeds of Spring Fete	283
" Electric Light, Gas and Fuel	88	" Sundry Income	799
" Printing, Stationery, Stamps and Telegrams	34		
" Travelling Expenses and Publicity	108		
" Municipal and Water Rates	51		
" General Expenses	19		
Depreciation	48		
" Balance—Excess of Income over Expenditure	616		
transferred to Accumulated Funds			
	£2,425		£2,425

Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1949.

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
£	£	£	£
Sundry Creditors	1,716	Land and Buildings—	6,575
Loan Accounts	118	51/53 and 57, The Point Road, Woolwich—at cost	
Trade and Accrued Accounts	1,834	Furniture, Fittings and Equipment—at cost, less	424
Library Fund Account	16	depreciation	59
Accumulated Funds—		Stores on Hand	58
Balance, 31/12/48	5,237	Sundry Debtors	566
Add Excess Income over Expenditure for	616	Bank Deposits and Cash on Hand	21
year ended 31st December, 1949	5,853	Sundry Amounts paid in advance	
	£7,703		£7,703

I have examined the Books and Vouchers of the Churches of Christ Bible College, N.S.W. for the year ended 31st December, 1949, and having received all information and explanations required, hereby certify that the above Income and Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet set out the position of the College as disclosed by the Books at that date.

E. E. LEACH, A.I.C.A., Hon. Auditor.

J. W. BOSWELL, F.A.A., Hon. Treasurer.
1st March, 1950.

COUNCIL OF CHURCHES IN N.S.W.

Representing seven religious groups and 70 per cent. of the whole community, the council continues to function harmoniously and effectively, being assured of an expanding and fruitful ministry as it concerns itself with matters within the State, and co-operating readily with separate, sister organisations.

It is believed that another church organisation with a similar name (known as W.C.C.) is not in competition, but serves in a separate sphere—both enterprises acknowledging the other's zone of service. Liaison between them being most cordial and effective.

The effort to conserve a Protestant witness in our State schools continues. Through the Minister for Education, Mr. Heffron, efforts are continuing to prevent our Bursary system from being wholly sabotaged by R.C. pupils. By some this may appear to be a sectarian issue; to us it is a matter of justice for all. Each year over £60,000 (1948) comes from consolidated revenue for this purpose, and most of it goes to one section of the community alone. This matter is far more serious than is realised by some of us. The extent to which Bursaries are passing to R.C. pupils may be seen from a remark made recently by a former Director of Education in N.S.W.: "Over the past fifteen years awards to their schools (R.C.) have grown from a ratio of 1 to 4 to a ratio of 5 to 4."

On the basis of denominational figures as between R.C. and Protestant, these figures should be reversed.

The New School Syllabus, especially that dealing with history, is being debated with the Minister, who has promised certain changes. Our present task is to secure what has been promised.

The campaign of the N.S.W. Temperance Alliance for Liquor Reform through the restoration of Local Option Polls and a change in the present Licensing Court system has been approved by the council.

In the hope that the hours of worship on the Lord's Day might be free from Radio Political Propaganda during recent Federal elections period, an approach was made to the headquarters of political parties, asking them to assist in this, and the response was wholly satisfactory.

Attempting to eliminate commercialised sport on city parks on Sundays, an approach was made to the City Council, requesting that such should not be sanctioned, and to our request the council agreed.

Efforts to thwart plans for Sunday commercialised sport has been effective in other areas.

The barbaric methods employed at displays of commercial boxing in Sydney, resulting in one instance in the death of one of the combatants, led council to request the Government to take such steps as would effect the proper control of this "sport," and thus eliminate the brutal and inhuman.

The increased broadcasting facilities available to churches outside the capital city is provided by the recently-altered broadcasting Act; is worthy of attention by the brethren.

The 2CH broadcasting committee continues to serve in an ever-increasing role of usefulness to the churches and is ever anxious to improve the quality of its church and other services. Favourable comment is heard of services broadcast from our churches.

Conference appointees to council comprise Bren. G. J. Andrews, G. H. Eager, A. C. Maclean and S. Stevens, with Conference President, Bro. W. J. Crossman, who, as Conference President, is thus a Vice-President of council. Because of other duties, Bro. Andrews was not able to serve. Other brethren gave valuable service.

Council also serves on a number of public bodies, and this is an effort to make it harder for men to do wrong and easier for them to do right.

STUART STEVENS, Hon. Secretary.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE PROMOTION OF CHRISTIAN UNION

Committee Meetings are now held bi-monthly.

Personnel: H. Patterson (Chairman), I Paternoster, L. Yelds, G. Eager, N. Morris, E. Taylor, E. Roffey, G. Andrews, D. Horsey, R. Saunders (Secretary).

Venue. Through the courtesy of the City Temple deacons we have met there free of charge.

Work. During the year many hours have been spent in free and brotherly discussion on matters relative to faith and order.

We are in receipt of the minutes of the Federal Committee.

This year we forwarded to each affiliated church the tracts for the World Wide Communion Sunday. We organised a special meeting at Marrickville when the Amsterdam film was shown.

Through the Executive of the Federal Conference of Churches being committed to raise £160 towards the expenses of the Australian Council of the World Council of Churches in Australia, the Conference Executive of N.S.W. is expected to raise £32 as their proportion. This Committee suggests that interested brethren should join the World Church Fellowship.

The World Council of Churches is an association of Communions whose members accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour.

Brethren G. Andrews, E. Roffey, C. Graham and H. Patterson represent the Federal Conference upon the Australian Council, which meets here in Sydney. The Australian Council met this year at Gūbulla.

The N.S.W. State Regional Council of the W.C.C. meets quarterly. Having been appointed by the N.S.W. Conference Executive, Brethren Patterson, Maclean, Dewberry and Saunders act as the representatives of this Conference. Bro. Patterson, as he sits upon the recently formed Commissions on Life and Work and Faith and Order, will have a splendid opportunity to bring to them our plea for New Testament Christianity.

H. J. PATTERSON, Chairman.
RON SAUNDERS, Secretary.

"CHRISTIAN MESSENGER" REPORT

It is with a sense of deep gratitude to our Heavenly Father we present our Report for the year 1949-50. As a committee we have had a year of happy fellowship and we believe so far as our activities are concerned a successful year. As we give thanks to God for successes in the past we pray for His Divine Guidance in the coming days.

We are grateful to our Committee, Officers, the Secretary and Treasurer, Jim Maclean and Gordon Morris, for their untiring efforts and the efficient manner in which they have carried out their duties. Bro. A. Surtees has done a very excellent work as Editor, and has given himself unsparingly throughout the Brotherhood, in which the Committee share with deepest thanks. Bro. Surtees has at all times sought to maintain the high standard of the journal, and, coupled with his practical experience, has made a worthy contribution to the N.S.W. brotherhood. We are most appreciative of the work of Bro. H. Gowans, the printer, who has at all times given of his best, and always been ready to co-operate with the management.

During the year the Committee took opportunity of expressing their deep appreciation of the valued service rendered by Mrs. Webber over a long period of years in the preparation each month of the wrappers, and this took a practical form by way of an honorarium. We thank Mrs.

BUILDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

For some time the undersigned was the only member of the Building Advisory Committee, but after the last Conference the Committee was brought up to full strength of three by the appointment of Bren. F. Button and V. Morris.

However, in the early part of the Conference Year both these members removed to the country, the former to Wagga and the latter to Albury.

During the year the Churches at Lane Cove, Bexley North, and Wingham and Epping have sought advice on the prospect of enlarging their buildings, mainly to house the growing Sunday School attendances, while in the case of Carringbah and Lawson, new buildings are required.

However, before any actual work can proceed, the Conference Executive will have to review all requests by the various Churches to form a "priority" list, which in turn will be transmitted to the N.S.W. State Government Department of Building Materials, which controls the issue of Building Permits, as the construction of Church Buildings is still controlled by this Department, and only a limited number of applications are granted to each "Religious Body" each year. This does not apply to a Manse, where the floor area does not exceed 51 ft.

The writer is the accredited liaison to the Department from the Conference Executive.

If any of the Churches are contemplating new or altered work, the Committee is always ready to give advice where it can.

Trusting that the Kingdom of God shall be extended by the building of Church Homes in the newly-formed suburbs and in the country districts.

On behalf of the Committee,

A. CAMPBELL MORRIS.

ADVISORY BOARD REPORT

Members elected to the Advisory Board by 1949 Conference were Brethren Dr. C. A. Verco (Chairman), J. L. Stimson, H. J. Patterson, M.A., N. D. Morris, J. R. Little, W. J. Crossman, G. E. Burns and G. J. Andrews (Secretary). We were able to retain the services of Bro. Roy Acland, Past President of Conference, in view of a vacancy. However, we suffered loss later by the decease of Bro. J. R. Little.

At regular monthly meetings there has usually been a maximum attendance, and we are thankful that the vestry at City Temple has been at our disposal.

Fourteen churches and 22 preachers have consulted with or through us during the year. Business has been principally in regard to opening of negotiations for ministry or obtaining of marriage licences. The Board has been one instrument of the Spirit whereby several churches and preachers have been able to consummate mutual arrangements for ministry. As our part is purely advisory and also confidential, we may not report beyond these general terms. Moreover, the Registrar-General of N.S.W. looks to the Conference President and the Board to ensure that licences to celebrate marriages are held in conformity with the Marriage Act, and that names and addresses of celebrants are kept up to date.

Early in the year the Conference Executive made an amount of £2/2/- available towards our working expenses, which involve postage, stationery and 'phone calls.

The churches will always do right to cherish their duty and privilege of local management. But churches, like individuals, are members one of another in Christ Jesus, and the members of the Advisory Board humbly seek the guidance of the Spirit so as to further the sharing of brotherhood needs and resources in regard to the ministry of the Word. So, we give thanks to God for his gracious guidance in His service.

C. A. VERCO (Chairman).

G. J. ANDREWS (Secretary).

PREACHERS' PROVIDENT FUND

The Fund continues its record of practical benefit and a source of great comfort to those brethren who have devoted their full time to the ministry of the Word in the churches and the committees attached to the Conference. The Fund provides a very attractive investment for those eligible to be contributors. The Fund is sound financially. Current interest is assured on all contributions. In addition, a liberal endowment programme is maintained.

This policy is possible because a percentage of the brotherhood has a conscience regarding making provision for those who sacrifice much to serve the Lord and His church. But not all have this outlook. A review of the support given to the Fund shows that a third of the total received from churches came from those in New South Wales, and they were most consistent from the point of regularity of support. In this State sixteen (16) churches contributed by medium of Duplex envelopes. No other State uses these envelopes for this purpose. Based on the membership shown in the latest Conference reports, New South Wales averaged three (3) pence per member for the year. This was twice the per capita average of any other State.

Although the Fund is sound financially and contributors' payments are credited with interest at better than current rates, and also annual payments are endowed on a liberal scale, the funds to meet this are now earned chiefly by wise investment of the sum held by the Fund on trust for the contributors. More support is necessary to permit the Fund to provide for the preachers in a liberal manner. Better provision should be made for them in those days when they are no longer able to serve the Lord in their special way. But this can be done only if the requisite support is forthcoming from the members and churches.

The committee recommends to individual members and churches to use this excellent channel by which to discharge some of their liability to the preachers, when these are no longer able to minister. It is recom-

PREACHERS' PROVIDENT FUND

ESTABLISHED BY THE FEDERAL CONFERENCE OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN AUSTRALIA.

Members of Committee: Dr. C. A. Verco (Chairman), S. Lancy (Secretary), H. E. Bell (Treasurer), C. M. Graham, R. Greenhalgh, J. L. Stimson and K. Hunter.

The Objects of the Fund.

To assist financially aged and infirm and retired preachers.

To control and manage an Endowment Fund, to which preachers may contribute.

In order to carry out these objectives effectively, the Committee needs the practical support of all churches and church members throughout the Commonwealth. Subsidies (on maturity); interest on contributions and payments to incapacitated preachers must come from earnings of capital and from your votive offerings for the Fund. Help discharge your responsibility to the preachers by making regular contributions to this Fund, by means of Duplex envelopes or other means.

Information regarding the Endowment Fund may be obtained from the Secretary.

PREACHERS' PROVIDENT FUND, CHURCHES OF CHRIST, COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

Summarised Statement of Cash Receipts and Payments for Year ended 31st December, 1949.

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
To Contributions—		By Relief	
New South Wales	88 18 6	Management Expenses	198 19 2
Victoria	67 10 0	Endowment Fd.—repayments to Preachers	30 18 5
West Australia	64 6 7	Investments in Commonwealth Govt. Loans	1,859 16 3
Queensland	15 4 0	Special Fund Payments	30 0 0
South Australia	6 11 0		
Tasmania	3 6 6		
Interest on Investments	245 16 6	Balance in Commonwealth Savings Bank	3,719 13 10
Repayment of Loan by	861 5 11	of Australia, Sydney, 31/12/1949	948 19 9
Preacher	15 0 0		
Sale of £700 A.C.I. Stock at 4	722 15 0		
per cent. due 1963	1,053 5 2		
Endowment Fd. Contributions			
Estate of Sis. C. Burns	12 0 0		
Bequest	83 6 1		
Special Fund Receipts	2,993 8 8		
	1,675 4 11		
Balance at 31/12/1948	£4,603 13 7		
			£4,668 13 7

16th January, 1950.

H. E. BELL, Hon. Treasurer.

mended to the Elders to undertake for the local churches to pay the whole or part of the preachers' annual contribution of £10. This is being done by many churches and committees. It merits unanimous support.

In the General Fund the receipts from all sources during the year ended 31/12/49 were £2,993/8/8. With the balance of £1,675/4/11 at the beginning of the year, there was a total of £4,668/13/7. Payments totalled £3,719/13/10, leaving a balance carried forward of £948/19/9. Assets in the Fund total £21,400, including settlements equalling £3,600, which return interest at 5 per cent. Against this are liabilities to contributors of £14,467/12/11.

C. A. VERCO, Chairman.
S. LANEY, Secretary.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN NEW SOUTH WALES.
CONSTITUTION

As Amended, and including Amendments passed at 1949 Conference.

- Name:**
The name shall be "The Conference of Churches of Christ in New South Wales, and the Federal Capital Territory."
- Objects:**
 - To promote and sustain fraternal intercourse amongst the Churches.
 - To co-operate for the evangelisation of the State and world-wide missionary activity on the basis of the New Testament.
 - To promote work in the Bible Schools and amongst young people.
 - To assist in combating social evils, engage in philanthropic work, and to unite with others wherever such action is necessary or desirable.
- Constituents:**
The Conference shall consist of all Churches of Christ at present associated, and such other churches as may from time to time be admitted in the manner hereinafter provided. The Conference may at any time dissociate itself from any church that has previously been admitted to association under the Conference if a majority of the representatives consider that the church in question is pursuing a line of conduct likely to bring discredit upon the brotherhood, or has departed from the New Testament truth.
- Conference Expenses:**
Each church forming a conference shall contribute towards the expenses of Conference the sum of ten shillings (10/- per annum for each 25 (twenty-five) members of portion thereof. Isolated members or those on the supplementary list not to be included in this quota. Any balance required to meet conference expenses to be divided between the different participating committees according to the space taken on the printed programme.
- Representation:**
Churches associated shall be entitled to be represented at all business sessions of Conference upon the following basis:—
 - Two representatives for the first 25 (twenty-five) members or portion thereof, and one for each additional 25 (twenty-five) or portion thereof, provided that no church shall have more than twenty-one representatives; also provided that only representatives of those churches which have paid all conference dues, or those showing reasonable cause for not being able to do so, shall be entitled to vote.

- (b) Each church shall send her list of representatives to the Conference Secretary at least one week prior to Conference.
- (c) Any church through her Secretary, or other accredited representative appointed for the purpose, shall be entitled to alter her list of representatives up to one hour before the election of Conference Officers and Committees.

6. Mode of Admission:

Any Church desirous of admission to Conference shall forward to the Conference Secretary an application for admission, which shall be dealt with at the next Annual Conference, provided that no objections have been lodged under Clause 7; such application to be in the hands of the Conference Secretary six weeks before the date of such Conference, and the name of each church applying for admission shall, within not less than four weeks of Conference, be sent to each Church associated.

7. Objections to Admission:

Any objections by a Church associated to any Church applying for admission must be clearly stated in writing and be in the hands of the Conference Secretary three weeks prior to the Annual Conference. The Conference Executive shall then meet the representatives of both applying and objecting Churches, shall hear the evidence relating to such objections, and decide whether the application for admission shall go before the Conference or not. No discussion in reference to any objection shall be allowed at any Conference meeting.

8. Individual Members:

Any member of any Church of Christ associated with the Conference in good standing may take part in the deliberations, but only appointed representatives may vote on any question arising. A similar privilege may be extended by consent of Conference to visiting members of Churches of Christ from elsewhere.

9. Conference Officers:

The following officers shall be elected at each Annual Conference: President (only if President-elect is not available), President-elect, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer; these, together with the Immediate Past President, shall constitute the Conference Officers. No Conference Officer shall be eligible for election to any of the five Committees referred to in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e), of Clause 10., except in the case of the Past President, who may be elected to any Conference Committee. The President shall be ex-officio a member of all Committees. Should any vacancy occur, the remaining office-bearers shall have power to appoint a substitute.

10. Committees:

The following Committees shall be elected annually by Conference:—

- (a) A Home Missionary Committee, charged with the conduct of evangelism in the State of New South Wales, Federal Capital Territory, and border districts, and the collection and disbursement of funds for that purpose. This Committee shall consist of ten members, six of whom shall form a quorum.
- (b) A Foreign Missionary Committee, entrusted with the work in foreign lands and amongst alien people in the home land, and the collection and disbursement of funds for that purpose in association with the Federal Foreign Missionary Committee. This Committee shall consist of ten members, seven to be elected by the General Conference, and three by Sisters' Conference. The quorum shall consist of six members.
- (c) A Bible Schools and Young People's Committee, charged with the promotion of the work in the Bible Schools, Christian Endeavour Societies, and service among the young generally, and the collection and disbursement of funds for that purpose. This Committee

shall consist of sixteen members, nine of whom shall form a quorum. Twelve members of the Committee shall be appointed by Conference, six as Bible School representatives, and six as Christian Endeavour representatives, the twelve elected representatives having the power to appoint the four remaining members as representatives of affiliated youth activities.

- (d) A Social Service Committee, charged with the work of promoting total abstinence from, and prohibition of intoxicating liquors, combating social evils and doing philanthropic work and the collection and disbursement of funds for, that purpose. The Committee shall consist of ten members, six of whom shall form a quorum.
 - (e) A Committee to be known as The Board of Management, for the care and control of the "Churches of Christ Bible College in N.S.W.," located at Woolwich. The Board shall consist of ten members, not more than five of whom shall be full-time preachers chosen by the representatives at each Annual Meeting of Conference from accredited members of the Churches of Christ in New South Wales; six of these members shall form a quorum; the Principal of the College shall, ex-officio, be a member of the Board of Management, and may vote on all matters excepting those affecting his own position and status. The Board shall be elected by ballot and shall hold office until its successors have been appointed. The Board shall have full control of all the affairs of the College, including the raising of funds by gifts, loans and mortgages or bank overdraft, and disbursing of same, and the acquisition of property; it may accept lands, buildings and gifts in connection therewith. The Committee to be elected at the Annual Conference in 1942 shall be nominated in open Conference, and forthwith chosen by ballot.
 - (f) An Aborigines Mission Committee, entrusted with the work amongst the Aborigines of Australia, and the collection and disbursement of funds for that purpose in association with the Federal Aborigines Mission Board. This Committee shall consist of seven members, four of whom shall form a quorum.
 - (g) An Advisory Board, consisting of seven members, together with the Principal of Churches of Christ Bible College in New South Wales, who shall be a member ex-officio. The Board shall supply to enquiring Churches information as to the standing of preachers, and may, if called upon, assist preachers to find a suitable field and Churches to find suitable preachers. The Board shall arrange the list of preachers authorised to celebrate marriages; the decisions of the Board with regard thereto shall be forwarded to the Conference President for action.
- In the event of any affiliated church calling to its pastoral oversight any brother not being in the full ministry, the following rules shall apply:—
- 1. If the Brother so appointed has been a member of the Churches of Christ in good standing for at least twelve months prior to his appointment, he may be given registration after serving the Church for two years, upon application being made by two-thirds of the members of the Church where he is serving, as shown by the Conference Statistical Returns published in the preceding year's Conference Report. Should he not have been a member of the Churches of Christ for a full year prior to his appointment, the period of trial shall be a full three years before registration is granted. Provided that in the case of a brother of long and good standing in the membership of the Churches of Christ, the aforesaid period of two years may be reduced or dispensed with, at the discretion of the Advisory Board.

2. Such registration shall apply only to the Church making such application, and shall be cancelled immediately upon his ceasing to minister to the Church concerned.
3. In the event of any part-time minister who has been registered as above being called to another affiliated Church, his further registration shall be considered on its merits, and the Advisory Board may recommend that the de-registration be not proceeded with if thought desirable.
4. It shall be the function of the Advisory Board, through its Secretary, to attend to the registration and cancellation of such registrations in the usual way.
Membership on any other Committee shall not debar any brother from being elected to this Committee. Five to form a quorum.
- (h) A Chapel Extension Committee, which shall consist of the members of The Churches of Christ Property Trust.
- (i) A Children's Home Committee, which shall consist of ten members, six of whom shall form a quorum. The functions of the Committee shall be to provide in whole or in part for the maintenance and assistance of orphans, neglected children, children under unfit guardianship, and children whose parents for various reasons are unable to give them proper care and attention.
- (j) A Building Advisory Committee to help in an advisory capacity any of our Churches contemplating the purchasing of land, the erection of new buildings, or the carrying out of structural alterations of any description. It shall consist of three members. Membership on any other Committee shall not debar any brother from being elected to this Committee.
- (k) Any other Committee or Committees as the Conference may from time to time determine; such Committee or Committees to have such powers and duties as the Conference in electing them shall decide, and during their term of office shall report to the Conference Executive.
- (l) Any member of a Committee absenting himself from two consecutive meetings of that Committee without stating a reason that shall be considered satisfactory to the Committee concerned, shall be liable to forfeit his position at the discretion of the Committee, which shall then proceed to fill the vacancy. Vacancies occurring through any other reason shall also be filled by the Committee concerned.
- (m) The President, or, in his absence, the President-elect, or one of the Vice-Presidents, shall preside at all business meetings of the Conference Executive. The President shall be an ex-officio member of all Committees.
- (n) Each Committee shall appoint its own chairman, secretary and treasurer, and such other officers as may be necessary. It may employ whatever service may be necessary for effective work in its department. It shall be responsible to Conference and duly report thereto. In its financial appeals such Committee shall be governed by the decisions and directions of Conference.
The Aborigines Committee, the Boys' Home Committee, the Social Service Committee, the Bible School and Young People's Committee, the Foreign Missionary Committee, the Conference Executive, the Board of Management of the Churches of Christ Bible College, N.S.W., and the Home Missionary Committee may each make an annual appeal for funds on the following days, namely, the first Lord's Day in February, March, April, May, July, September, October and December, respectively, or any day as may be mutually agreed on between the Committees concerned and the Conference Executive, the Home Missionary Committee

to have the right to make an appeal at the Annual Meeting of Conference in addition. No other Committee shall, without permission of the Conference Executive, make any direct appeal to churches or church auxiliaries.

11. Conference Executive:

The Executive Committee of Conference shall consist of the Conference Officers as provided in Article 9, and one member from each of the following Committees of Conference, viz.: Home Missionary Committee, Foreign Missionary Committee, Bible Schools and Young People's Committee, Social Service Committee, Board of Management of Churches of Christ Bible College in New South Wales, Women's Auxiliary Conference and Aborigines Mission Board.

The Executive Committee shall be responsible for:—

- (a) The convening and orderly conduct of all meetings of the Conference.
- (b) The proper carrying out of all decisions of Conference, not referred to the province of any other Committee.
- (c) The sympathetic co-operation with all committees in the furthering of the objects of Conference as set forth in Article 2.
- (d) The arranging of a quarterly meeting with the four standing committees, and such other auxiliaries as may be invited by the Executive, for prayer and general consideration of Conference work.
- (e) The planning of such other united brotherhood meetings as shall contribute to the development of the work of the churches, and the spiritual growth of the members.
- (f) Every member of the Conference Executive shall have one vote, and the President, President-elect, Vice-President, or Chairman presiding a casting vote in addition to the deliberative one.

12. Nominations:

Nominations for Conference Officers and standing committees, and for the Churches of Christ Property Trust as constituted under Churches of Christ in New South Wales Incorporation Act, 1947, shall be received in writing from Churches, or from individual brethren up to two weeks before the meeting of such Conference, such nominations to have the written consent of the nominator attached. The Conference Executive shall make up any deficiencies in the number of nominations received by nominating sufficient brethren to provide a ballot.

13. Election of Officers:

- (a) Any member of the Churches associated in good standing shall be eligible for election to not more than two of the Committees referred to in Paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) of Clause 10. He may, however, hold in addition any office on any other Committee.
- (b) That the voting for election of Conference Officers and Conference Committees appointed by Conference shall be by ballot, that in the event of a tie between two or more that affects the number to be elected, another ballot be taken between those tying. In the event of a tie on the second ballot the chairman shall give his casting vote.

14. Conference Meetings:

The Annual Meeting of the Conference shall be held at such time and place as may have been selected by the Conference Executive. At least two months' notice shall be given by the Executive to the Churches associated of the time and place of such meetings.

15. Special Meetings:

Special Meetings of Conference may be called as often as necessary by the Conference Executive, and shall also be summoned upon a requisition in writing, signed on behalf of at least eight of the Churches associated, such requisition to set forth fully the business

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proposed to be brought forward at such meeting. At least one month's notice shall be given by the Conference Executive to the Churches associated of the time and place and business to be considered at such meetings. No business shall be entertained or discussed at such special meeting other than that specified upon the Executive's notice convening such special meeting.

16. Notice of Business:

That six weeks' notice in writing shall be given to the Conference Executive of all business to be brought forward at any meeting of the Annual Conference; such notice to set forth fully the motion to be moved and to be signed by the proposer; and no matter of which such notice has not been given shall be discussed at any such meeting. This clause shall not be construed to apply to any matter of business presented in or arising out of the report of the Executive appointed by Conference. Provided always that at the discretion of the President, Conference may set apart certain of its time for general business when this rule shall not apply.

17. Standing Orders:

- (a) That such standing orders as may be necessary to the orderly conduct of the deliberations of the Conference shall be framed by the Executive and approved by the vote of Conference, and shall, thereafter, be construed as part of this Constitution.
- (b) No standing order shall be of any force if it be contrary to the spirit of this Constitution.
- (c) That, subject to the preceding provisions, the Conference may at any time, at its own discretion, suspend, amend, or rescind any or all of such standing orders.

18. Amendment of Constitution:

That no amendment of the Constitution shall be entertained except at an Annual Conference. Six weeks' notice of intention to propose any amendment of the Constitution shall be given in writing, signed by the proposer; such notice to set forth fully the term and nature of the proposed amendment.

19. Auditors:

At the Annual Conference, the Conference shall nominate and elect such Auditor or Auditors as it shall deem necessary to audit the books and accounts made necessary by this Constitution, and such Auditor or Auditors shall present a report of their audit at the succeeding Annual Conference. Provided that any vacancy in the position of Auditor or Auditors in the interim shall be filled by the Conference Executive.

20. Old Constitution:

All existing resolutions of Conference defining its Constitution shall be and are hereby rescinded.

21. Reservation:

The Conference, being purely for evangelistic purposes, shall have no control over the Churches, nor power to settle matters of discipline or dispute of any Church, but the Conference Executive may counsel in any dispute when requested by the parties so to do.

22. This Constitution to take effect as from 1st March, 1937.

STANDING ORDERS.

1. The ordinary rules of debate shall regulate the proceedings of this Conference so far as they do not conflict with this Constitution.
2. All members of the Conference shall enjoy equal rights in the discussion of all matters that may engage the attention of Conference.
3. Each representative, even though he may represent more than one Church, shall have one vote.
4. Any ten (10) representatives shall be entitled to call for a division upon any question put to vote when a division of representatives shall be taken.

CHURCH LOCATION	Year Organised	Year Affiliated	Membership 31/12/48	ADDITIONS				DELETIONS			GENERAL						
				Faith and Baptism	Baptised Believers	Restoration	Transfer	Death	Transfer	Revision	Increase	Decrease	Membership 31/12/49	Average Attendance	Isolated Members	Sup'lary Rol.	
1 Albury	1928	1929	83	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	83	x	x	x	
2 Ashfield	1924	1924	49	2									36	16	7	7	
3 Asquith	1947	1948	34	1				6	2	4	17	13	36	19	1		
4 Auburn	1908	1909	104	4	2							2	36	19	1		
5 Auburn North	1912	1915	62	3				1	3	14		10	94	50	3	41	
6 Austral	1945	1947	36	x								4	66	31	2	20	
7 Bangelow	1909	1909	15	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	30	x	x	x	
8 Bankstown	1921	1922	144	2									15	8			
9 Belmore	1906	1907	215	45				9	2	3	43	37	107	45	7	19	
10 Belrose	1944	1945	60	5	1				1	15	20	9	222	134	17		
11 Beverly Hills	1919	1921	60	5	5			2				8	13	10			
12 Bexley North	1931	1931	122	7	2			1		2		19	141	60	10	34	
13 Blackheath	1919	1919	10	4								2	32	8	5		
14 Bowral	1945	1946	41	11						6		5	46	30			
15 Burwood	1920	1921	228	5				8	4	10	14	15	213	104	20	29	
16 Canley Vale	1902	1902	74	7				4	2	1		8	82	39			
17 Carringbah	1947	1948	17	3				4				7	24	16			
18 Carramar	1934	1937	75	20				1				4	92	55	6		
19 Chatawood	1914	1914	318	18	1	1			4	6	10	328	150	50	32		
20 Doonside	1938	1944	44	3				2		3		2	46	20	6	6	
21 Earlwood	1932	1933	140	18	1			3		7	5	10	150	69	10	38	
22 Enmore	1852	1886	148	5					1	1	10	2	141	88	35		
23 Epping	1923	1924	137	2				3			5		137	55			
24 Fairfield	1944	1945	52	3				3		3		3	55	35			
25 Georgetown	1940	1942	137	6				2	3	5	6		137	63	16	39	
26 Gilgandra	1914	1914	66	3								3	67	45			
27 Grafton	1926	1928	61	1				2		1	16	14	47	19	13	13	
28 Granville	1923	1924	42	3								4	46	29			
29 Granville South	1942		12	x	x	x	x	4	1	1	2	4	46	29			
30 Hamilton	1923	1927	84	1	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	12	15	x	x	
31 Hornsby	1910	1911	44	1				2				3	87	50	12		
32 Hurstville	1907	1908	179	3				4	2			1	43	21	1	20	
33 Inverell	1905	1906	183	15					4	8	2	1	180	18	53		
34 Kingsford	1907	1908	148	1					3	8	2	2	185	74	59	24	
35 Kurri Kurri	1927	1928	23	1					3	5	15	22	126	60	2	40	
36 Lane Cove	1927	1924	153	2	2			4	1	1	24	4	27	21	3		
37 Lawson	1948	1949	12	1								1	13	22			
38 Lidcombe	1883	1886	110	4				2	1	4		1	111	46	5	30	
39 Lismore	1885	1886	223	5					4			1	224		98		
40 Loftus Park	1917	1919	62	6	1			4	1	1	7	2	64	38	4	3	
41 Manly	1932	1933	41	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	41	x	x	x	
42 Marrickville	1893	1894	268	8	2			3	3	10	6	6	262	110	24	22	
43 Mayfield	1937	1938	145	8	2			4	4			16	161	83	9	29	
44 Merewether	1886	1890	61	1						2	9	10	51	34		1	
45 Mordale	1936	1936	8										8	7	2		
46 Mosman	1908	1909	119	8	1			2	3	2		2	117		17	26	
47 Mudgee	1947	1948	8										1	7	5	3	
48 North Sydney	1905	1906	114	9	1			3	1			12	126	75		35	
49 Paddington	1892	1893	162	2					3	6			7	155	60	34	65
50 Parramatta North	1935	1947	33							1	2		32	26			
51 Pendle Hill	1938		12	1				23	1	1		24	36	50	3		
52 Penrith	1948	1949	12						3				9	7			
53 Penhurst	1931	1931	38						1	2	4	3	9	7			
54 Peteraham	1884	1886	15							1	2	5	6	32	20		
55 Rockdale	1918	1919	168	5	1			2	9	1	2	8	5	173	80	20	4
56 Seven Hills	1890	1893	30	4	1					2	5	2	28	18		3	
57 Syd. (City Tple)	1851	1886	274	1					5		45	49	225	55	40	26	
58 Sydney Chinese	1899	1908	20	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	20	x	x	x	
59 Taree	1863	1886	196	3					3				196	70			
60 Tempe	1928	1929	49	1						1	2		49	20	2	26	
61 Tyalgum	1907	1909	16	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	16	x	x	x	
62 Wagga Wagga	1885	1886	210	6					3			5	215	63	47	66	
63 Warners Bay	1947	1948	15							4			15	11			
64 Wentworth Falls	1946	1949	21	5								5	26	35			
65 Wiley Park	1947	1948	73	5				9	6	1	2	11	6	79	54		9
66 Wingham	1879	1886	44										44		7	10	
67 Wollongong	1941	1942	192	17				1	4	3	2		17	209	90	15	32
Isolated Members			250										250				
TOTALS			6338	302	21	43	135	60	132	308	226	225	6339	2597	710	851	

x No returns received.
— Nil reported.

DIRECTORY

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NEW SOUTH WALES STATE COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE	CHAIRMAN	SECRETARY	TREASURER
Conference Executive	W. J. Crossman, 69 Campbell Street, Surry Hills. UY 1387.	S. C. Woolley, 3 Francis Street, Homebush. UM 7266.	T. W. Dunne, 43 Great North Road, Five Dock.
Home Missionary Committee	G. E. Burns, 111 Ourimbah Road, Mosman. XM 3646.	L. S. Dewberry, Wileys Avenue, Wiley Park.	R. H. Wakeley, 45 Frederick Street, Concord. UF 1652.
Overseas Missions Committee	C. R. Graham, Lagonda Avenue, Killara. JX 2910.	I. A. Paternoster, Church of Christ, Falcon St., Crow's Nest. XB 2344.	Miss H. Role, 10 Eddy Road, Chatswood. JA 3422.
Young People's Department	B. E. Perkins, 69 Stanhope Road, Killara.	R. Greenhalgh, 69 Campbell St., Surry Hills. MA 5767.	W. Small, 69 Campbell Street, Surry Hills. UM 8945.
Social Service Committee	E. Davis, 18 Clarence Street, Burwood. UJ 4837.	G. Morton, 17 Maxim Street, West Ryde. Ryde 1041.	H. T. Edwards, 120 Chatham Road, Denistone.
Aborigines' Mission Committee	L. G. Reed, 10 Cross Street, New Lambton.	Mrs. McCallum, 45 Victoria Street, Epping. WM 2942.	G. E. Knight, 19 Albert Street, Petersham. LM 5760.
N.S.W. Bible College Board	J. L. Stimson, 39 Holt Avenue, Cremorne. XM 5236.	B. G. Corlett, 11 McCourt Street, Lakemba. UL 2361.	J. Boswell, 3 Ivy Street, Chatswood. JA 4347.
Advisory Board	Dr. C. A. Verco, Powell Street, Killara. JX 3674.	G. J. Andrews, 35 Oswell Street, Rockdale. LX 2249.	G. E. Morris, 13 Clive Road, Eastwood. WL 2647.
Messenger Management Committee	A. C. Maclean, 38 Victoria Street, Epping. WM 3265.	J. Maclean, 22 Terry Road, Eastwood.	W. K. Hunter, 98 Raglan St., Mosman.
The Churches of Christ Property Trust	J. L. Stimson, 39 Holt Avenue, Cremorne. XM 5236.	P. H. Morton, 145 The Boulevard, Strathfield. UJ 1434.	G. Morton, 17 Maxim Street, West Ryde. Ryde 1041.
Children's Home Committee	J. L. Stimson, 39 Holt Avenue, Cremorne. XM 5236.	G. Morton, 17 Maxim Street, West Ryde. Ryde 1041.	Miss Bell, 42 Formosa Street, Drummoyne.
Christian Unity Committee	H. J. Patterson, Bible College, 57 The Point Road, Woolwich. WX 1982.	R. Saunders, 7 Allen Street, Besley. LX 1335.	Miss Ashwood, 6 Victoria Street, Roseville. JA 3196.
Women's Conference	Mrs. A. Larcombe, 4 Northland Road, Bellevue Hill. FM 3340.	Mrs. Knight, 19 Albert Street, Petersham. LM 5760.	
Ashwood House	Mrs. A. Larcombe, 4 Northland Road, Bellevue Hill. FM 3340.	Mrs. Lawther, 22 Oakura Street, Rockdale. LX 1379.	

NEW SOUTH WALES CHURCHES

CHURCH	PREACHER	SECRETARY	TREASURER
ALBURY—David Street	A. W. Morris, 599 Schuback Street, Albury.	J. E. Hall, 19 William St., Wodonga, Vic. Wod. 145.	J. Fraser, 87 Milton St., Ashfield.
ASHFIELD—193 Norton Street	G. H. Hardison, 18 Longfield Street, Cabramatta.	P. A. Wynn, 6 Athol Street, Leichhardt. LM 7848.	R. Henderson, Baldwin Ave., Aquith.
ASQUITH—Lord's Avenue	E. W. Taylor, 51 Park Rd., Auburn.	W. R. Middlemass, Colah Road, Mt. Colah.	Mrs. A. Owen, Dewrang St., Lidcombe.
AUBURN—Auburn Road	D. Manall, Bible College, Woolwich. WX 1954.	R. Bartholomew, 99 Vaughan St., Lidcombe. UX 6098.	
AUBURN NORTH—Cor. Parramatta and St. Hilliers Rds.	H. C. Gowans, Edmonson Ave., Austral.	F. W. Winch, 15 Paul Street, Auburn.	
AUSTRAL—Edmonson Avenue	W. G. Hopper, Byron Bay.	Mr. Goldfisch, P.O., Austral.	
BANGALOW—Temperance Hall	P. Retchford, 9 North Terrace, Bankstown. UY 1647.	I. G. Snow, Bangalow.	W. Kelfers, Banagalow.
BANKSTOWN—North Terrace	B. G. Corlett, 11 McCourt St., Lakemba. UL 2361.	F. S. Budgen, 31 Raymond St., Bankstown. UY 1456.	L. P. Fleit, 31 Winspear Ave., Bankstown.
BELMORE—Burwood Road	B. E. Cavill, 5 Park St., Besley North.	G. Bothwell, 220 Canterbury Road, Reveley. LF 3359.	H. H. Cox, 44 Belomba Ave., Lakemba.
BELROSE—Cor. Pymble and Everton Roads	R. W. Saunders, 7 Allen St., Besley. LX 1335.	C. T. Garrett, Pymble Road, Belrose, via Chatswood.	Mrs. L. Holland, Haig Ave., French's Forest.
BEVERLEY HILLS—Stoney Creek Road	P. Gosdger, Bible College, Woolwich. WX 1954.	L. Wheat, 103 Dumbleton Road, Penrith.	G. Walker, 195 Patrick St., Hurstville.
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BOWRAL—Merrigong Street	C. A. Driver, 1 Houghton St., Fairfield.	A. J. Wright, 341 Bong Bong St., Bowral.	H. Whatman, Shepherd St., Bowral.
BURWOOD—Clarence Street	R. V. Amos, 39 Baldry St., Chatswood. JA 1517.	N. H. Sommerville, 2 Barton Street, Enfield.	E. Leach, 20 Hugh Ave., Dulwich Hill. LM 1529.
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CARINGBAH—100 Burrance Bay Road, Woolawarra	J. A. Luff, 61 Cambridge St., Stanmore.	H. Colbourne, 1 Woodlands Rd., Taren Point.	R. Corliss, "Lynette," Willabong Road, Caringbah.
CARRAMAR—Wilde Street	A. C. Maclean, 38 Victoria St., Epping. WM 3265.	F. J. Walther, 17 Johnston Rd., Bass Hill.	E. A. Stevenson, 46 Lidbury St., Berala.
CHATSWOOD—Victoria Ave.	K. Fennell, Bible College, Woolwich. WX 1954.	A. W. Cust, 1 William St., Roseville.	Y. M. Middleton, Finlayson Rd., Lane Cove.
DOONSID—Kildare Road	C. J. MacKenzie, 12 Cowper Street, Georgetown, N.Z. War. 828.	O. Wainwright, 17 Richmond Rd., Blacktown. Tel. 417.	D. Reeson, Kildare Road, Doonside.
EARLWOOD—6 Burlington Ave.		W. L. Caspermann, 19 Winston Ave., Earlwood.	R. D. Goldstein, 54 Oak St., Ashfield.
ENMORE—Metropolitan Road		Dr. E. A. Bardsley, Eastern Road, Turramurra. JW 3147.	G. Collins.
EPPING—Bridge Road		S. Morris, 39 Eastwood Ave., Eastwood. WL 2567.	C. Mackellor, Bixland Rd., Rhodes.
FAIRFIELD—Ware Street		K. Wagner, 9 Meakin Street, Merrylands.	F. Carre, Peel and Kia-ora Sts., Canley Vale.
GEORGETOWN—Georgetown Rd.		W. M. Fraser, 4 David St., Georgetown. War. 60.	A. Wright, Bridge St., Waratah.

CHURCH.	PREACHER.	SECRETARY.	TREASURER.
GILGANDRA—Warren Road	L. G. Burgin, Church of Christ Manse, Gilgandra.	A. R. Burrell, Gilgandra.	W. Hodgekiss, Gilgandra.
GRAFTON—Bacon Street	L. E. Wylie, 110 Oliver St., Grafton.	F. A. Rose, Cnr. Fry and Cranworth Sts., Grafton.	S. E. Smidt, McLean St., Sth. Grafton.
GRANVILLE—Cnr. Ritchie and Alfred Streets	N. Martin, Bible College, Woolwich, WX 1954.	R. Kenyon, 11 Birmingham St., Merrylands.	J. Terry, 29 Bowden St., Granville.
GRANVILLE SOUTH—19 John Street		S. B. Hibbard, 29 John St., Granville.	
HAMILTON—Gordon Avenue	L. G. Read, 10 Cross St., New Lambton.	N. J. Fraser, 122 Lockyer St., Adamstown, MU 2123.	D. Brown, Chancer St., Hamilton.
HORNSBY—11 Albert Street	G. J. Crossman, Bible College, Woolwich, WX 1954.	G. S. Glazier, 30 Orara St., Waitara.	E. R. Bishop, 23a Dural Rd., Hornsby.
HURSTVILLE—Dora Street	F. D. Craig, 94 Wright St., Hurstville.	H. Button, 3 Colvin Ave., Carlton.	
INVERELL—Vivian Street	A. R. Nodding, 26 Jack Street, Inverell.	G. E. Bulmer, 28 Jack St., Inverell.	A. Newman, King Street, Inverell.
KINGSFORD—Anzac Parade	A. W. Ladbroke, 19 Bannerong Road, Kingsford, FF 2272.	E. Smith, 8 Wise Street, Maroubra.	R. Porter, Edgar Street, Kingsford.
KURRI KURRI—Maitland Street		W. T. Marley, 52 Aberdare St., Pelaw Main.	R. Hector, Edward St., Kurri Kurri.
LANE COVE—3 Parklands Ave.	H. J. Patterson, Bible College, 57 The Point Road, Woolwich, WX 1982.	C. A. Saxby, 38 Earl Street, Roseville, JA 4608.	J. C. Thomson, 4 Busley St., Lane Cove.
LAWSON—Bathurst Road	A. L. Carter, 1 Westbourne Avenue, Wentworth Falls.	K. Webb, Henderson Road, Wentworth Falls.	K. Webb, Henderson Road, Wentworth Falls.
LIDCOMBE—Vaughan Street	A. Baker, 32 Vaughan St., Lidcombe.	J. Davidson, 44 Eglinton St., Lidcombe.	E. Walker, 98 Woodburn Rd., Lidcombe.
LISMORE—Keen Street	S. W. Vanham, 101 Dindem St., Lismore.	R. R. Wotherspoon, 39 Garden Street, Lismore.	S. W. McDonald, Crown St., Lismore.
LOFTUS PARK—Roseberry St., Merrylands	J. H. Adams, 784 Merrylands Road, Greystanes, U/W 3345.	W. J. Cornwall, 4 Chamberlain Road, Greystanes.	M. Jamieson, Myall St., Merrylands.
MANLY—Eustance Street (Dispensary Hall)	W. D. Howard, Bible College, Woolwich, WX 1954.	N. L. Pailton, 16 Boyle St., Balgowlah, XJ 3038.	E. Rivedyke, 177 Wardell Rd., Earlwood.
MARRICKVILLE—389 Illawarra Road	P. E. Thomas, 14 Dudley St., West Marrickville, LL 1459.	W. I. F. Lewis, 23 Randall Street, Marrickville.	C. Peattie, 44 Mabel St., Waratah.
MAYFIELD—87 Maitland Road	R. Acland, 51 Carrington St., Mayfield War, 54.	N. H. Fletcher, 57 Elizabeth Street, Mayfield.	F. Weatherby, Tyrrell St., Newcastle.
MEREWETHER—100 Railway Street	E. F. Cook, Bible College, Woolwich, WX 1954.	L. M. Hancock, 115 Ridge St., Merewether.	H. Miller, 3 Barwon Rd., Mordale.
MORTDALE—Anderson Road		H. Miller, 3 Barwon Rd., Mordale.	K. Hunter, 98 Raedan St., Mosman.
MOSMAN—110 Cowles Road	G. E. Burns, 111 Gurimbah Rd., Mosman, XM 3646.	W. Donaldson, 120 Longueville Road, Lane Cove.	S. Oull, Gladstone St., Mudgee.
MUDGEE—Church Street (M.U.I.O.F. Hall)		F. E. Pomeroy, 33 Mortimer Street, Mudgee.	W. C. I. Brydon, 5 Rowntree Street, Balmain.
NORTH SYDNEY—Falcon St.	I. A. Paternoster, 32 Cammeray Ave., Cammeray, XB 2344.	F. A. Horsev, 5 Ashmore Ave., Pymble, JX 1636.	S. J. West, 16 Wilfield Ave., Vaucluse.
PADDINGTON—116 Paddington Street	W. Turnell, 6 Edward St., Woollahra, FW 2593.	E. V. Harris, 30a Winchester Road, Clovelly.	L. H. Turner, 17 Thomas St., Northmead.
PARRAMATTA NORTH—Barney Street	R. Clivner, Bible College, Woolwich, WX 1954.	W. J. Veitch, 20 Seville St., Parramatta.	S. Holman, 32 Lindsay St., Wentworthville.
PENDLE HILL—Dunmore St. (Ashwood House)		J. E. Boyd, 270 Dunmore St., Wentworthville.	

PENRITH—Station Street (C.W.A. Hall)		A. Ellis, Tindale Street, Penrith.	H. Burkhead, Station St., Penrith.
PENSHURST—Penshurst Street (R.S.L. Memorial Hall)		J. Marshall, 9 Rosemont Ave., Mordale.	R. R. Wotherspoon, 27 Kuroki Street, Penshurst.
PETERSHAM—Cannon Street	N. C. Reese, Bible College, Woolwich, WX 1954.	S. Young, 44 Moala St., Concord West.	Z. Pickford, 41 King St., Newtown.
ROCKDALE—Bryant Street	G. J. Andrews, 49 Oswell St., Rockdale, LX 2249.	S. H. Creek, 45 Knight St., Arncliffe.	D. Harris, Queen Victoria St., Bealey.
SEVEN HILLS—84 Seven Hills Road		G. L. Piper, 214 Seven Hills Road, Seven Hills.	Mrs. G. L. Piper, 214 Seven Hills Rd., Seven Hills.
SYDNEY—City Temple, 69 Campbell Street	W. J. Crossman, 19 Salvia Ave., Bankstown, UY 1387.	A. C. Morris, Bayview St., Northwood, JB 2930.	N. D. Morris, 39 The Crescent, Vaucluse, FU 1887.
SYDNEY CHINESE—Campbell Street			
TAREE—Victoria Street	A. B. Clark, 95 Victoria St., Taree, I.C.	A. W. Billingham, Box 171, Taree, I.C.	C. A. Norling, Wingham Road, Taree, I.C.
TEMPE—Union Street	R. Rugendyke, Bible College, Woolwich, WX 1954.	J. J. Cook, 12 Samuel Street, Tempe.	E. L. Rugendyke, 177 Wardell Road, Earlwood.
TYALGUM—Village Street		F. C. Brown, P.O. Box 208, Murwillumbah.	
WAGGA WAGGA—Tompson St.	Wilkie J. Thompson, 28 Norman St., Wagga Wagga, Phone 2931.	W. H. Snowden, 8 Donnelly Ave., Wagga Wagga.	W. Caspermann, Sullivan Ave., Wagga Wagga.
WARNER'S BAY—Beryl Street (Branson's Studio)		R. Jefferson, Main Road, Warners Bay.	B. Simpson, 24 Carrington St., Mayfield.
WENTWORTH FALLS—Station Street	A. L. Carter, 1 Westbourne Ave., Wentworth Falls.	R. Young, "Helenbank," Bourne Street, Wentworth Falls.	R. Young, "Helenbank," Bourne St., Wentworth Falls.
WILEY PARK—Wileys Avenue	L. S. Dewberry, Wileys Ave., Wiley Park, UL 2203.	J. F. Tait, 5 The Boulevard, Lakemba.	R. Nicholson, Kathleen St., Lakemba.
WINGHAM—Dingo Street	A. B. Clark, 95 Victoria St., Taree, I.C.	H. A. Blair, Wingham.	K. Germon, Wingham.
WOLLONGONG—Market Street	L. E. Jones, 66 Smith St., Wollongong.	W. T. Shipp, 14 William St., Keiraville, Wollongong.	H. Fairley, Lucinda St., Wollongong.

