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FOURTEENTH YEARLY REPORT.

March 1929 to March 1930.

The General Election of 1929 gave opportunity to women, now for the first time fully enfranchised, to make their special contribution to framing National policy. This election has been called the "Women's Election" and in face of gibes and contemptuous references on many sides it was found that for the most part the women electors, new and old, exercised their votes with a considerable measure of thought and with a sense of responsibility. And undoubtedly this new element in the electorate led to the question of Peace becoming a dominant issue throughout the Election.

As one of the co-operating societies in the Women's Peace Crusade the W.I.L. supported with enthusiasm its Election Programme and worked steadfastly to ensure that its five questions to candidates were kept before electorate and candidates. W.I.L. Branches, and in some cases Head-quarter members, were instrumental in starting forty-one out of ninety-seven local Peace Crusade Committees. We were greatly helped in this by Miss A. Harrison who had been appointed W.I.L. Organiser for the Election.

For the second time the Labour Party was entrusted with the Government of the country, and from the first it was evident that most of the points of the Crusade programme would be dealt with.

The evacuation of British Troops from the Rhineland was begun in September, and before the end of the year the last of the British occupying troops had been withdrawn from German soil. Before the evacuation took place we learned that it was proposed that the British troops should hold manœuvres in the Rhineland, and the Executive Committee passed the following resolution at its meeting in July:—

"The Executive Committee of the Women's International League, reading with surprise and dismay that arrangements are being made by the military authorities for the British troops to hold manœuvres in the Rhineland during September, and believing that all foreign troops should be withdrawn without delay, urges His Majesty's Government that British troops should not remain after September 1st, and that if all cannot be evacuated by this date, when under the recent Reparations Agreement fresh arrangements must be made for

their maintenance, the provocation caused by the manœuvres should at least be avoided."

At the tenth Assembly of the League of Nations the Prime Minister announced that Great Britain, supported by the Dominions, was ready to sign the Optional Clause of the Statute establishing the Permanent Court of International Justice. He spoke, knowing that the majority of the British people supported this action, and the W.I.L. may well have felt that its work of education and propaganda during six years was bearing fruit. We remember the Petition of 1925, the Peace Pilgrimage of 1926, and the patient explanation of the Optional Clause to audiences of every kind in halls and market places, in Church schoolrooms and at factory gates, followed by the later work of the Peace Crusade leading up to the General Election of 1929, and we know that the effort was well worth while. In all some fifteen States including France, Japan and Italy signed, so the Tenth Assembly will be known as the **Optional Clause Assembly**.

In February 1930 the British signature was ratified by Parliament, and in due time passed under the Great Seal, and one definite step on the way to establish law rather than war has been taken. It was with a sigh of relief that the Executive Committee passed this resolution at its meeting on February 11th:—

"The Executive Committee of the Women's International League desires to express to the Prime Minister its great satisfaction and thankfulness that the House of Commons has approved of the ratification of the signature by H.M. Government of the Optional Clause in the Statute of the Permanent Court of International Justice by which this country has now accepted the rule of law in disputes of a legal nature.

"It believes that this action has prepared the way for further development of arbitration and pacific settlement of international disputes, and urges H.M. Government to adhere to the General Act at as early a date as possible."

The work that now lies before us is suggested in the second paragraph of this resolution, but we may hope that we shall not have to serve quite so long before Great Britain adheres to the General Act for the Pacific Settlement of International Disputes.

The question put to candidates on the difficult subject of **Disarmament** suggested that the International Disarmament Conference should be called in 1929, but now, in the Spring of 1930, we realise that further preparation is needed before it can meet.

In October the Prime Minister visited the U.S.A. to engage in conversation with President Hoover preparatory to issuing a

joint invitation to a Five-Power Naval Conference. In this preliminary work he knew that he was supported by the majority of the British electorate, and our hearts were lightened to hear of the kindly welcome accorded to him by the people of America.

The Five-Power Naval Conference met in London on January 21st, and the W.I.L. summed up its policy in the following resolution:—

"This meeting of the Executive Committee of the W.I.L. expresses its deep sense of satisfaction at the friendly negotiations between the Prime Minister and the U.S. President, of which the Five-Power Naval Conference in January will be the outcome; welcomes the thrice-repeated American offer to reduce her naval strength in proportion to any standard, however low, which the other Powers will accept, and urges H.M. Government to use all its influence to ensure that the Conference results not merely in an agreement for limitation of ships (which would probably mean an actual increase in the world's armaments), but in a radical reduction of existing vessels.

"It calls upon H.M. Government to implement its signature of the Pact of Paris for Renunciation of War by proposing a further reduction of cruisers, especially of the larger type, and the total abolition of battleships and submarines as instruments of offence rendered obsolete by the Pact, and as a grave menace to that sense of security which is a condition of the lasting peace of nations."

Resolutions in this sense have been passed by numerous meetings throughout the country; among these no less than 104 resolutions were passed by meetings in North Wales held during the last three weeks in January.

In addition to these resolutions, the W.I.L. has drawn up the following Petition, which has been very widely signed; at the time of going to Press 2,000 copies have been issued by the office in response to definite requests:—

"We, the undersigned, believe that an agreement among the Naval Powers to make drastic reductions in all types of Naval Armaments is required in the interests of peace, and would be welcomed by the peoples in the countries concerned:—

"We therefore urge H. M. Government:—

- (1) to accept on behalf of this country a further reduction in cruisers.
- (2) in view of the fact that the battleship is designed for attack and would not be needed for defence, except against

other similar ships, and is unsuited for the protection of commerce, to give evidence of its sincerity in renouncing the right to attack by proposing the total abolition of battleships.

"We believe that these steps would facilitate the abolition of submarines and reductions in other types of naval vessels."

A further Petition was drafted by the W.I.L. and about 1,600 signatures of Magistrates, Town Councillors, men and women prominent in business, professional, scientific and literary circles were secured in a few days. The petition was as follows:—

"We, the undersigned, believe that all Governments ought to show that they have renounced war by drastic reductions in armaments and that a big step in this direction ought to be taken at this Naval Conference.

"We believe that the country is expecting the British Government to propose reductions in all classes of ships and the abolition of battleships.

"The course of the Conference has not shaken our belief that if this proposal were made, at least a big step could be taken towards it now.

"We are encouraged to find a similar demand from public opinion in the other countries which have large navies and we believe that if the three great Naval Powers will stand firm for such reductions their influence in further measures making for world disarmament will be irresistible."

Since its opening session, when H.M. the King's speech of welcome and the speeches of the leaders of each delegation were broadcast to the world, interest in its progress has been widespread and sustained. As we write there are no definite achievements to record, but there is no doubt that the delegations of the five chief Naval Powers will make every effort before they separate to fulfil the desires of their respective peoples, that the Conference shall accomplish some measure of agreed reduction in Naval armaments.

We recognise that this is but one section of the disarmament problem. After the next Assembly of the League of Nations it is hoped that the General Disarmament Conference will meet, when there will be opportunity for concerted work of all National Sections of the W.I.L.P.F. in representing the views of women.

Women's Peace Crusade.

After the General Election of May 1929 the immediate object of the return of a Parliament of Peacemakers was attained. The question then arose as to whether it would be best for the

organisation to disperse, or whether some useful method of continued co-operation for Peace work could be maintained. The General Council met on July 11th, and it was decided that the Women's Peace Crusade should continue in being from year to year, and that the societies which formed it should arrange for holding a yearly Conference at which progress towards Peace during the year should be reviewed, special problems discussed, and a decision taken as to whether in a year's time another Conference should be held.

It was agreed that the first yearly Conference should be held in May 1930, and that the subject for study during the intervening time and for discussion at the Conference should be **World Disarmament**. The W.I.L. undertook as its contribution to the Peace Crusade to issue material dealing with the subject, and Miss Trotter has circulated a syllabus on Disarmament, together with subsequent memoranda.

The work of the British Women's Peace Crusade has been followed with the greatest interest by women engaged in similar work in U.S.A., and last autumn Miss Courtney received an invitation from Mrs. Chapman Catt to visit America on the occasion of the Conference on the Cause and Cure of War, held in Washington in January. Miss Courtney sailed on January 3rd, and since the Conference has undertaken a speaking tour in the States for the W.I.L.

A further letter from Mrs. Chapman Catt told of the work of the Japanese women who were collecting women's signatures for presentation to the London Naval Disarmament Conference, and that this action was stimulating American women to express their views. Two Japanese ladies, Miss Hayashi and Mrs. Gauntlett, travelled to Washington, bearing with them their basket with 180,000 signatures of Japanese women praying the Naval Conference to "lay the foundation for establishing Permanent Peace," and thence they came to London together with a deputation from the Conference on the Cause and Cure of War, consisting of Mrs. Edgerton Parsons, Miss Josephine Schaine, and Mrs. Caspar Whitney, who brought a memorial signed by officers of societies representing some six million American women.

The British Women's Peace Crusade immediately decided that it must bear its part in this representation to the Naval Conference, and on February 6th* a deputation consisting of American, British, French, and Japanese women was received by the Prime Minister as Chairman of the Naval Conference, accom-

* A full report of the Deputation, price 2d., from 55 Gower Street.

panied by the heads of the American, Japanese, Australian, and New Zealand delegations.

The British Women's Peace Crusade arranged several social functions to enable British workers to meet our visitors from overseas, and on February 5th Mrs. Lawrence Binyon very kindly lent her house at the British Museum for a W.I.L. At Home. Our members and friends spent a very happy time meeting the American and Japanese guests and hearing of the work for Peace and Disarmament which they had been doing in their own countries. On February 26th a public meeting was arranged at Livingstone Hall, when the speakers were Mrs. Gauntlett (Japan), and Mrs. Laura Puffer Morgan (a member of the International Section of the W.I.L.), who was in London representing the U.S.A. National Council for Prevention of War.

The Tenth Assembly of the League of Nations.

The W.I.L. learned with pride and satisfaction that its President (Mrs. H. M. Swanwick) and Mrs. Hamilton, M.P. (member for Blackburn), were appointed to the British Delegation.

The W.I.L. organised a meeting in July to enable representatives of Women's organisations to meet Mrs. Swanwick and Mrs. Hamilton, prior to the Assembly, to put before them points which it was hoped the British delegation would consider and support.

In October a Reception was held in the Garden Room, Aubrey House (by permission of the Misses Alexander), when Mrs. Swanwick and Mrs. Hamilton spoke of the work of the Tenth Assembly. There was a large attendance and good discussion after the speeches. Mrs. Swanwick has also spoken on the Assembly at Branch Meetings held in Manchester, Liverpool, and Hampstead.

Several members of the W.I.L. Executive were at Geneva during the Assembly, and attended meetings of the various Committees. On October 23rd a meeting was held at Friends House, when Miss K. D. Courtney, Dr. Hilda Clark, and Mrs. Innes opened discussions on some of the important political issues in Assembly Committees.

International Congress and Executive.

The important event of the year was the Congress held at Prague on August 24th—28th.* Jane Addams came from America to be present, and, although she refused to stand again for election as President, the Congress altered the constitution to allow of her becoming Honorary President, and as such she received a great ovation of affection and respect. Twenty out of twenty-five

* Report of Congress in English (very interesting), price 3 Swiss francs (2s. 6d.), from W.I.L., 55 Gower Street, W.C.

National Sections sent delegates, and there were also delegates from five countries where as yet no Section exists. The Congress was notable for the large number of younger women from several of the Sections, and for the warm welcome given by the beautiful town of Prague. A new and interesting note was struck in the fact that speeches were given by representatives of the women of Asia and Africa, an Indian, a Chinese and an African-American woman. We had women members of five national Parliaments and several who were their country's delegates to the League of Nations Assembly. The subject of the Congress decided on beforehand—"How to Make the Kellogg Pact a Reality"—seemed to be considered as a sort of string on which could be attached beads of very different shapes and sizes; but finally a clear resolution on pacific settlement of international disputes was accepted. Telegrams were sent to the Russian and to the Chinese Governments as the Russo-Chinese dispute was then in an acute stage, and also to the British Government on the outbreak of disorder in Palestine, which occurred when the Congress was in session. A small delegation was sent to Austria from the Congress to get in touch with both political parties who were then in a state of conflict likely to become acute and to lead to bloodshed owing to the fact of widespread possession of arms. It was decided to raise funds to send Camille Drevet to the Balkans for organising groups of women to work for peace, and if possible to help in the formation of new Sections. A report on future lines of work was accepted and referred to the Executive Committee, which met on the days following the Congress. Much valuable time was spent over discussions on the constitution, which finally was left without much change, the consultative members having a vote once a year as before. Two members of the British Section—Mrs. Cicely Corbett Fisher and Miss Edith Pye—were elected on to the new Executive, and Dr. Hilda Clark was appointed assistant treasurer.

The most important subjects that are being tackled internationally, that is to say, by National Sections who have the support of knowing that the other National Sections are at work on the same subject and that, in consequence, a much stronger weapon is available, are:—a campaign for Disarmament; a campaign against abuse of opium and dangerous drugs; co-operation with other bodies (a) in working for an International Charter for political prisoners, (b) in working against conscription and military training. With regard to the first, it was decided to have a disarmament petition or statement, with a heading in three languages, for which all our Sections should get signatures. This is now obtainable* and we urge all our members to support the

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effort. An international Conference on Opium and Dangerous Drugs has been arranged for April 28th and 29th at Geneva by the Opium Commission appointed by the Congress. Many other Sections, and notably the German Section, have been very active in holding meetings and conferences. The reports and conclusions are to be sent in to the League of Nations. With regard to co-operation, the help of the W.I.L. was mentioned in support of the Prisoners' Charter when the matter was brought before the Council of the League of Nations, and the W.I.L. is one of the co-operating organisations in the new Peace Council that is working for the abolition of conscription and military training. The contribution of the British Section is mainly in the form of our campaign against O.T.C.'s and Cadet Corps.

Opium Committee.

Since the last Annual Meeting a considerable amount of work has been accomplished, and much interest has been aroused in the whole subject of Opium and Dangerous Drugs. The Conference held in November, 1929, was a great success and was attended by many important people. The speakers were:—Mr. L. A. Lyall, Mr. Shoran Singha, Mr. Charles Robertson, Prof. P. J. Noel Baker, M.P., Mr. S. Sze, Rev. Herbert Anderson, and Prof. Alfred Clark. The Chairmen of the three sessions were the Viscountess Gladstone (Chairman of the Women's Advisory Council of the League of Nations Union), Dr. Hilda Clark and Miss Courtney. The speeches were all of first-rate importance, and the report* issued shortly after makes an excellent handbook for speakers, as it brings each portion of the subject up-to-date. The amount raised to cover expenses of the campaign was £72. Thanks to the very generous way the expenses of speakers were returned, and to the loan of the Lecture Theatre at the London School of Economics without expense to us, the cost of the conference including the report, literature, &c., amounted to £42. A donation of £20 has been sent to Geneva towards the expenses of the International Conference to be held on April 28th and 29th, and £20 has been set aside to provide part expenses of four members of the British Section able to attend this. The Conference has been followed by a series of meetings at Birkenhead, Purley, Croydon, Barnet, Bristol and Glasgow, and others are in prospect. Mrs. Alcock, a member of the Committee, is speaking at many of them. She was able to attend all the meetings of the League of Nations Opium Advisory Committee in January, 1930, and has brought back most useful reports. The Committee owes much

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both to her, to Miss Pye and to Mrs. Blackwell, upon whom so much of the actual work of preparation for the Conference fell. The following resolutions arising from the policy decided on at the Conference have been sent to the British Government and to the League of Nations by the Executive Committee:—

1. "The Executive Committee, having heard with thankfulness the decision of the League of Nations to take practical steps towards limitation of manufacture of opium and other dangerous drugs, is of opinion that their manufacture should be taken over by the Governments of the countries concerned, for the following reasons:—

(1) Such a measure would remove the element of private competition which, by stimulating production, makes limitation more difficult.

(2) It would remove the present temptation from chemical firms and individuals to make huge profits out of illicit trade.

(3) It would make impossible any concerted forcing up of the prices of drugs that are needed for medical and scientific purposes.

"The Committee therefore urges H.M. Government to take the necessary steps as soon as possible."

2. "The Executive Committee expresses its deep regret that the solemn international pledge given by the Government of Great Britain at The Hague in 1912 to suppress opium smoking in all countries under British rule has not yet been carried into effect, and hopes that through the impartial commission of inquiry sent out by the League of Nations, and now investigating opium smoking in the Far East, means will be found whereby this may be accomplished without delay.

"It believes that the time has now come when Governments should cease to make profits from the sale of opium, and that opium for smoking should cease to be sold to anyone who has not yet acquired the habit."

3. "Understanding that the control of the traffic in habit-forming drugs is rendered more difficult by the fact that the sale of codein is not controlled, and that the amount of morphia needed for the medical requirements of each country cannot be ascertained unless the amount of codein consumed in the country is known, the Executive Committee of the Women's International League urges H.M. Government to instruct their representatives on the Advisory Opium Committee of the League of Nations, and also the representatives

who shall be appointed to attend the Conference of Manufacturing Countries to be held in 1930, to press for the inclusion in international agreements under the control of the League of Nations of the wholesale trade in all derivatives of opium without exception."

Minorities.

A Conference on Minorities of Race, Language and Religion was held in London under the auspices of the British Section of the W.I.L. on March 21st and 22nd, the days immediately following our last Council Meeting. The Conference was well attended and notable for the excellent speeches delivered by speakers who were in touch with Minorities, Governments and the League of Nations. Among these were Dr. G. P. Gooch, Madame Bakker van Bosse, Lord Dickinson, Sir Walter Napier, Mr. Lucien Wolf, Dr. Erwin Loewenfeld, Professor Rene Brunet, Mr. Wilson Harris, and Professor P. J. Noel Baker, M.P.

A report of the Conference was issued,* and copies were sent to the members of the Council of the League of Nations and also to the Delegations to the Tenth Assembly.

Special funds amounting to £81 were raised to deal with this section of our work.

In December 1929 the Executive Committee passed the following resolution:—

"The Women's International League begs to call the attention of H.M. Government to the great anxiety felt by many impartial observers, who are acquainted with the situation of certain Minorities in countries which are parties to Minority Treaties, on account of the difficulties that still confront these Minorities in presenting their complaints of infraction of the treaties and securing the opportunity to prove the truth of their statements.

"The Women's International League expresses its earnest desire that H.M. Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs should do all in his power to secure:—

- (1) The full consideration of petitions without delay.
- (2) That those sending a petition should be informed of the reply of their Government and given the opportunity to answer any points raised by the Government.
- (3) Publication in the Council Minutes of action taken on petitions.

"The Women's International League further begs to call

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the attention of H.M. Government to the fact that in some countries the people who are in the position of a Minority are afraid to complain of infractions of the Treaty securing their rights, and that the guarantee of the League of Nations cannot be made effective in these cases under the present procedure. The Women's International League, therefore, urges H.M. Government to take up this problem."

On December 6th, Miss Francesca Wilson, who spent the earlier part of the year travelling in Macedonia and Albania, addressed a meeting on the conditions in Macedonia, and Madame Drevet spoke on her work in the Balkans.

East Africa.

Two Reports published during the year (The Hilton Young Report Cmd. 3234, and Sir Samuel Wilson's Report Cmd. 3378) have put forward very divergent proposals for closer union between our three East African Dependencies, Tanganyika, Uganda, and Kenya. Far-reaching decisions of national policy in regard to the future of these territories must shortly be arrived at, and the W.I.L. has endeavoured inside Parliament and in the country to focus attention upon the issues involved. Whatever changes are introduced, the interests of the native populations must be adequately safeguarded, and this can be done only if the Imperial Government retains responsibility and control.

This view was expressed in the resolution passed by the Executive Committee at their November meeting:—

"In view of the declaration of the Labour Party contained in 'Labour and the Nation,' that the Party 'will take steps . . . to transfer to the inhabitants of those countries, without distinction of race or colour, such measures of political responsibility as they are capable of exercising, while Imperial responsibility for their Government will be maintained during the period preceding the establishment of democratic institutions,' the Executive Committee of the Women's International League anticipate with confidence that official control of the legislature in each and all of our East African Protectorates, Colony and mandated territory will not be relaxed until there are sufficient and sufficiently educated African members on them to defend adequately all native interests; and it looks forward to the grant of male and female suffrage in these territories on a civilisation franchise only."

Palestine.

The Executive Committee has been concerned regarding conditions in Palestine, and, after the Government inquiry into the circumstances of the disturbances during August, it learned from Members of the International Executive that sixteen men were under sentence of death for crimes committed during the disturbances. In February the following resolution was passed and sent to the Foreign Office:—

“The Executive Committee of the British Section of the Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom learns with distress that fifteen Arabs and one Jew have been condemned to death for murder in the recent disturbances in Palestine.

“However strong the evidence against these men, the Executive Committee is nevertheless opposed to their execution, since it fears popular resentment would thereby be provoked that would embitter still further the relations between Arabs and Jews, and postpone indefinitely that reconciliation on the basis of mutual tolerance which alone can bring about the permanent pacification of Palestine.

“The Executive Committee of the British Section of the Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom therefore urges His Majesty’s Government to take steps to have these death sentences commuted to imprisonment.”

China.

Though there is no special work to report in regard to China, Miss Pye has been in friendly touch with the Chinese women whom she met on her visit. On hearing of the famine conditions in certain parts of China, the Executive Committee meeting in February 1930 sent the following letter of sympathy:—

“Our attention has been called to the famine conditions prevailing in some parts of China, with the consequent immense suffering and loss of life. We wish to send to all the Chinese people with whom we are in touch an expression of our deep sympathy, and our earnest hope that the efforts being made may, with the help of modern scientific resources, result in the prevention of such catastrophes in the future.”

Officers’ Training Corps.

The W.I.L. has long felt deeply on the subject of the O.T.C. in schools, and a special Sub-Committee has been working during the year to bring the question into public prominence. Many women are aghast to-day to learn that while Great Britain con-

tributed last year approximately £115,000 towards the League of Nations, in the same period the War Office made grants to schools of £159,900 for the upkeep of the O.T.C. and an additional £10,000 for the Cadet Corps. Since our signature of the Peace Pact it is more than ever indefensible that public money should be used to train boys for war. W.I.L. policy has been to press for the withdrawal of the War Office Grant, and the following resolution was passed by the Executive Committee in February:—

“The Women’s International League, believing that the training of the young should be free from any element of militarisation, and particularly objecting to the use of taxpayers’ money for the military training of children, urges that the War Office Grant to Officers’ Training Corps, now larger in amount than the total contributions of Great Britain to the League of Nations, shall be abolished. Further, they demand that the O.T.C. regulations shall be so amended as to make it clear that no pressure, direct or indirect, shall be exerted on boys to become members.”

Similar expressions of opinion have been received from all over the country, and information has been collected for Members of Parliament who have placed it before the Secretary of State for War.

Press and Publicity Committee.

The regular work of this Committee during the past year has as usual been (1) the issue of the monthly News Sheet, (2) the publication of leaflets from time to time setting forth our work and aims, (3) the obtaining of press publicity for our activities, and (4) the supplying of articles and paragraphs to the “Woman’s Leader.”

As regards the News Sheet, it is satisfactory to record that the circulation has again this year risen—from 1,050 in December 1928 to 1,250 in March 1930. A profit of about £19 was made on News Sheets in 1929. In view of this and of the fact that it was found possible to effect a reduction in the cost of printing it, the Committee decided in December to reduce the price of the News Sheet from 2d. to 1d., beginning with the issue of January 1930. It is calculated that it will still be self-supporting. It should be noted that under the new system of subscriptions, adopted in July 1929, every subscriber of 5s. a year and over automatically receives the News Sheet. We gladly take this opportunity of recording our indebtedness to the following, in addition to our own members, for articles during the past year:—Madame Camille Drevet, Mrs. Laura Puffer Morgan, Miss Alison Neilans.

The following literature has been published by the Committee since the issue of the last Yearly Report:—

(1) "Minorities and the League of Nations: A Discussion on the Present Situation." A report of speeches at the W.I.L. Conference, March 21st and 22nd, 1929. Published May 1929. 40 pages. Price 1s.

(2) Reprint of Lord Cecil's Letter of "Advice to Voters." Published May 1929, for use in General Election campaign. (Out of print.)

(3) "A Venture in Goodwill," by A. Helen Ward. The history of the W.I.L. from 1915 to 1929. 66 pages. Published July 1929. Price 1s. (Over 1,200 copies have been sold to date.)

(4) Membership slip, suitable for distributing broadcast at meetings and for enclosing with other literature. Published July 1929. Prices: 1½d. a dozen, 50 for 6d., 100 for 10d., 250 for 2s., 500 for 3s. 9d., postage extra.

(5) "Accept the General Act." An Explanation of the General Act for the Pacific Settlement of International Disputes. Published jointly with the National Council for Prevention of War, August 1929. 8 pages. Price 1d.

(6) "Security against War." A popular 4-page leaflet on the General Act. Published October 1929. Prices: 2d. a dozen, 100 for 1s. 5d., 1,000 for 14s. 2d.

(7) Christmas and New Year Greeting Card. Printed December 1929. Suitable for any year. Prices: 1d. each, 10d. a dozen.

(8) "A Call to Peacemakers." Handbill for wide distribution, setting forth the Disarmament policy of the W.I.L. on the occasion of the London Naval Conference. Published January 1930.

(9) "An Appeal to Women." New edition, printed in green to go with membership folder. An account of the national and international work of the W.I.L., together with a detachable membership form. Published January 1930. Prices: 6d. a dozen, 50 for 1s. 9d., 100 for 3s. 3d., 200 for 6s., postage extra.

(10) "The Officers' Training Corps. Should Boys be trained for War?" 4-page leaflet, containing the facts as to the present position of the O.T.C.'s, together with evidence from parents, teachers and boys. Published February 1930. Prices: 1d. each, 9d. a dozen, 50 for 2s. 9d., 100 for 5s., 200 for 9s. 6d., postage extra.

(11) "Yugoslavian Macedonia," by Francesca M. Wilson. With a Foreword by Dr. G. P. Gooch. 20 pages. Published March 1930. Price 1s.

The membership folder, with "Pax" design on the cover, published in February 1929, is in constant use; and the leaflet for children—"Love Conquers All"—published in October 1928 is still in demand.

The sales of literature continue to be satisfactory. The cost of each publication (leaflet or booklet) is not always entirely met, as a certain number have to be distributed free, but the Committee believes the knowledge of our work and aims spread through the literature published justifies some slight financial loss in this direction.

As regards the publicity obtained in the press for the activities of the W.I.L. during the past year, we may fairly claim that this is becoming increasingly good, as a glance at the press-cutting book kept in the office will show. During the General Election campaign we found it possible to get a very gratifying amount of notice in the London and provincial press for the subject of Peace, and that encouraged us to try for more publicity for the week-by-week work of the W.I.L. Paragraphs have therefore been frequently sent to the press on resolutions passed by the Executive, on the work of the W.I.L. in Great Britain and on the work of other Sections of the W.I.L.P.F. The results have been better than we dared to hope. Special events during the past year particularly well reported in the papers have been the Minorities Conference, the Prague Congress, the Opium Conference, and the Disarmament policy of the W.I.L. and its action in connection with the London Naval Conference. Our success with many provincial papers is due to a considerable extent to the co-operation of Branch members who act as local correspondents.

The secretary to this Committee has also undertaken during the past year the press work for the Women's Peace Crusade, of which the W.I.L. has all along been one of the most active of the co-operating Societies. A remarkable amount of publicity was obtained for the General Election campaign "for the return of a Parliament of Peacemakers," and also for the joint deputation of women from four countries to the London Naval Conference, which was organised by the Women's Peace Crusade.

275 copies of *Pax International*, the monthly paper published by our head-quarters' office in Geneva, are now sent out by us each month. We recommend this paper to our members as a valuable survey of the work of all the National Sections of the League. Subscriptions to it (2s. per annum, post free) should be sent through the office of the British Section.

Co-operation with other Organisations.

As in former years, we have co-operated frequently with other organisations to further special work which lies within the scope of our aims and objects. Among other societies we have worked with the National Union of Societies for Equal Citizenship, Howard League for Penal Reform, British Commonwealth League, League of Nations Union, Joint Standing Committee of Women's Organisations, National Council for Prevention of War, No more War Movement, National Council of Women, National Union of Women Teachers.

Branches and Membership.

We have at present twenty-six Branches and 674 Head-quarter members, to whom the Executive Committee is deeply grateful for loyal co-operation and support in the work we have undertaken.

A new Branch has been formed at Marazion, started by Mrs. Henson, formerly of Birmingham, who is now living in Cornwall.

After her work during the General Election Campaign, Miss Harrison continued organising for the W.I.L., visiting Branches and groups of Head-quarter members in order to follow up contacts made during the Election.

In the Autumn we inaugurated a definite Membership Campaign, and there has been a steady increase of membership during the latter months. The proposal that Miss Trotter should visit Branches in this connection was warmly welcomed by many, and she has paid successful visits to Manchester, North Wales, Glasgow and Liverpool, and has also addressed meetings organised by Branches in the London area.

The North Wales Branch has recently completed its first year of work and has made remarkable progress; in addition to individual members forty Societies have affiliated to this Branch.

We have been fortunate this year in securing several International speakers who have addressed Branch meetings. In November Miss Daugaard of Denmark and Miss Doty of U.S.A. took meetings at Welwyn Garden City, Liverpool, Stockport, Barnet, Warrington, Manchester, Cambridge, Golders Green, Brighton, Birmingham and Kensington, and during the visit of the Representatives of Women of Japan and America, who formed part of a deputation to the London Naval Conference, meetings were arranged for Mrs. Gauntlett of Japan.

Executive Committee.

Twelve ordinary meetings of the Committee have been held, and the tradition of a high average attendance has been maintained. Miss K. D. Courtney was again unanimously re-elected Chairman. The Executive Committee realise that its work is made easier on many occasions by her great gifts of Chairmanship. On January 3rd she sailed for America to undertake a speaking tour. Mrs. Innes, one of our Vice-Chairmen, has presided in her absence, and her wise judgment and experience have been of the greatest service to us all.

The Executive Committee regrets to report several resignations. Our National President, Mrs. Swanwick, has felt obliged to resign owing to the need for a prolonged rest. It is impossible to express the debt which the W.I.L. owes to her as one of the founders of the W.I.L. and we remember with gratitude her wise counsel and devoted service for the past fifteen years. To our great regret Mrs. Laurence Binyon who has acted as Treasurer for so many years has been obliged to relinquish this office, but we are glad to say that she remains on the Executive Committee. Three other original members of the W.I.L. have resigned from the Committee, Miss Catherine Marshall owing to continued ill-health, Miss Macnaughten because she is staying abroad for a long time and Miss Leaf owing to pressure of work. In January Mrs. Marris also resigned, as she felt that the birth of her son would prevent her serving on the Committee for several months. Mrs. Charles Robertson, a former Executive Committee member, was co-opted to fill the first vacancy, the others being left void for the remainder of the year.

Office Staff.

Again this year there have been changes in the Office Staff. The W.I.L. received a legacy of £100 from Lady Courtney, and it was decided that this last generous gift from her should be used to form the nucleus of a Fund for developing Parliamentary work. Dr. Clark made an additional gift of £100, and in July Miss E. M. Trotter was appointed Parliamentary Secretary with the main object of creating a link between members and constituents when occasion arises for pressure on the Government regarding subjects of special interest to the W.I.L.

In this connection, Miss Trotter has sent out periodically a Parliamentary letter to members and Branches who wish to receive it. At the present time some 190 copies are being circulated, several Branches taking a number of copies.

During the recess Miss Trotter's parliamentary work was

suspended, and she devoted most of her time to work for the Women's Peace Crusade.

The W.I.L. is again indebted to Dr. Clark's generosity in making it possible for us to have the service of Miss Jean Henderson as Press Secretary, and the press cuttings are proof of her efficient work in this department.

Miss Stroud was appointed General Clerk and Book-keeper in place of Miss Olive Sargent, who left in September. In April, Dorothy Pethard was appointed office girl. Miss Violet Cooke was appointed Shorthand Typist.

Treasurer's Note.

There are two points of special interest in this year's statement of accounts. One is that we have been able to keep a balance on deposit account, earning interest. The amount of the balance has, of course, varied, but by the end of the year we have £19. 0s. 4d. interest. This money could be withdrawn for use at short notice, but we were able to leave it for so long owing to a very successful money-raising effort on the part of the Branches and members last autumn. The Annual Sale, on which we have lately depended for our income in the last months of the year, needs so much preparation and is the cause of so much disturbance in the work of the office that we tried the experiment of doing without it last autumn and of asking the Branches and Headquarter members if they could raise the equivalent of their usual contribution to it locally. We met with the splendid response of £322. 13s. 2d. by the end of the year.

The Minorities Conference and the Opium Conference made special appeals to cover their expenses. We made a grant of £25 to help delegates to go to the Prague Congress. We also made a grant of £10 towards the expenses of publishing *Pax*. The subscriptions to Geneva Headquarters and to *Pax* of the British members sent through this office amounted this year to £63. 3s., in addition to the payment of £5. 17s. 6d. from London Headquarters for copies of *Pax* to be sent to Headquarter members who pay an annual subscription of 7s. 6d., or over, and who do not receive it direct from Geneva. On the whole, this has been a good financial year, but this does not mean that we can relax our efforts. What we need and what we hope next year may give us, is the names of a large body of new subscribers. Our numbers are increasing, but we want a large increase. Another £500 in subscriptions is really a necessity if our work is to grow as it should.

The Hon. Treasurer was absent in the Far East for the latter

part of the year, and Mrs. Crosfield very kindly undertook her work.

There is little to be said this year about the International House Account. We have resumed possession of the two rooms on the top floor, so that our yearly income will be reduced by £55.

Our present lease comes to an end in 1934, and there will then be a call on us for dilapidations. The money on deposit is intended to meet this call.

Branches.

The names and addresses of our Branch Secretaries are as follows:—

- Barnet:** Mrs. Westoby, 19 Bedford Avenue, Barnet.
Birkenhead: Mrs. Alty, 36 Hamilton Square, Birkenhead.
Birmingham: Mrs. W. M. Brown, 118 Portland Place, Edgbaston, Birmingham.
Acock's Green: Mrs. McMurdo, 58 Douglas Road, Acock's Green, Birmingham.
Brighton: Miss Pickworth, Trevor Dene, Withdean Road, Brighton.
Bristol: Miss J. M. Baretta, 4 Henbury Hill, Westbury-on-Trym, Bristol.
Cambridge: Mrs. Valentine, 2 Clare Road, Cambridge.
Cheltenham: Mrs. Greening, Maryville, Hewlett Road, Cheltenham.
Cornwall: Mrs. Henson, Cliff Cottages, Marazion, Cornwall.
Croydon: Mrs. Hayman, 22 Bridle Road, Croydon.
Edinburgh: Miss Mary Bury, 66 East Claremont Street, Edinburgh.
Glasgow: Mrs. Lauder, J.P., 34 Aberdour Street, Dennistoun, Glasgow.
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Kensington: Mrs. Alan Gardiner, 9 Lansdowne Road, Holland Park, W.11.
King's Norton: Mrs. Randall, Romney Green, Alvechurch, Birmingham.
Leeds: Mrs. Elgie, 21 Warrel's Grove, Bramley, Leeds.
Liverpool: Mrs. Fitch, 10 Mersey Avenue, Aigburth, Liverpool.
Manchester: Miss Annie Wilkinson, Room 16, 1 Princess Street, Albert Street, Manchester.
Newcastle: Dr. Ethel Williams, Bramble Patch, Low Bridges, Stocksfield-on-Tyne.
North Wales: Mrs. Thoday, Haulfre, Llanfairfechan, N. Wales.
Preston: Mrs. Manders, 74 Lytham Road, Fulwood, Preston.
Stockport: Mrs. E. M. Farrington, 15 Lowfield Road, Stockport, Cheshire.
Tunbridge Wells: Miss Emily F. Jones, 17 Frant Road, Tunbridge Wells.
Warrington: Mrs. Davies, Bleak House, Penketh, Warrington.
Welwyn Garden City: Mrs. Nickalls, 4 Elmwood, Welwyn Garden City, Herts.
Worcester: Mrs. Beatrice Marshall, 48 Northwick Road, Evesham, Worcester.

Vice-Presidents.

- Mrs. Dixon Davies, 6 Southwick Crescent, W.2.
 Mrs. de Bunsen, 14 North Street, S.W.1.
 Miss Eckhard, 44 Upper Park Road, N.W.3.
 Mrs. Hubbard Ellis, 66 Redington Road, N.W.3.
 Mrs. Friedenhain, 28 Rosecroft Avenue, N.W.3.
 Mrs. Arnold Forster, Eagle's Nest, St. Ives, Cornwall.
 Miss M. M. Green, 30 Clifton Gardens, N.W.11.
 Mrs. Walter Layton, 32 Arthur Road, Wimbledon.
 Miss C. Macmillan, 4 Pump Court, Temple, E.C.4.
 Miss Maude Royden, 24 Rosslyn Hill, N.W.3.
 Miss Ellen Wilkinson, M.P., 30 John Street, W.C.1.

Annual Council Meeting.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED at the Annual Council Meetings, April 8 and 9, 1930, at Denison House, Vauxhall Bridge Road, London, S.W.1.

1. The General Act for the Pacific Settlement of International Disputes.

"This Annual Council of the Women's International League desires to express its satisfaction at the step taken towards a secure peace by the ratification of the Optional Clause by Great Britain. It urges that the Government should now proceed to the signature of the General Act for the Peaceful Settlement of all disputes, which it is convinced provides a further essential step towards the establishment of satisfactory and inclusive peace machinery."

2. Disarmament.

"That Branches be urged to use the International Disarmament Declaration as a method of propaganda for disarmament, with a view to the Declaration being presented to the General Disarmament Conference."

The Declaration adopted by the Council was as follows:—

"WAR IS RENOUNCED. LET US RENOUNCE ARMAMENTS.

INTERNATIONAL DECLARATION.

The undersigned men and women irrespective of party,
STAND FOR WORLD DISARMAMENT.

They are convinced that competition in armaments is leading all countries to ruin without bringing them security;

That this policy renders further wars inevitable;

That wars will in future be wars of indiscriminate destruction of human life;

That the Governments' assurances of peaceful policy will be valueless so long as those measures of disarmament are delayed that should be the first result of the Pact for the Renunciation of War."

3. Security and Disarmament.

"This Council believes that the discussions of the Naval Conference show that dependence of nations on armaments for defence is the main obstacle to agreement between States on the reduction of such armaments, and actually increases the possibility of a war.

"It therefore calls upon H.M. Government to press forward in international conference the policy of promoting security

"(1) by the general acceptance of methods of peaceful settlement of disputes, and

"(2) by measures for a general and rapid reduction in armaments leading to the total abolition of armaments."

4. Amendments to the Covenant.

"This Council considers that the interpretation of the Kellogg Pact given by Sir Austen Chamberlain on behalf of his Government is not consistent with our obligations under the Covenant of the League to submit all disputes to peaceful procedure and makes it uncertain to other States that we have fully renounced war as an instrument of national policy;

"It therefore welcomes the proposals made by the Committee of the Council of the League for amendment of the Covenant to strengthen and improve the procedure of the Council for the pacific settlement of disputes and to remove the suggestion in articles 12, 13 and 15 that war is permissible in certain circumstances, and calls upon the Government to support these proposals at the next assembly of the League."

5. Chemical Warfare.

"This Annual Council of the Women's International League urges Branches to study the question of Chemical Warfare and its relation to the general problem of Disarmament."

6. Officers' Training Corps.

"This Annual Meeting of the Women's International League notes with profound regret that the Government, while abolishing the War Office grant to Cadet Corps, has increased the annual grant to Officers' Training Corps, already larger by many thousands of pounds than Great Britain's annual contribution to the League of Nations. Believing that the training of the young should be free from any element of militarism and particularly objecting to the use of the taxpayers' money for the military training of boys, it urges the Government to make its promised further review of the matter in the light of these considerations, and at the earliest possible date to abolish the grants.

Further, it calls the attention of all School Authorities connected with Officers' Training Corps—Governing Bodies, Head Masters and Officers—to the statement of the Secretary of State for War that no boys must be forced to join the Officers' Training Corp, and calls upon all such Authorities to avoid the use of moral and social pressure which, in many cases, amount for the immature to that conscription which we have rejected for the adult males of this country."

7. Minorities.

"This Annual Council of the Women's International League, believing that the procedure adopted by the Council of the League of Nations with regard to petitions from Minorities on alleged infractions of their rights under the Minorities Treaties does not give confidence to the Minorities that such complaints are adequately investigated and that many impartial observers acquainted with conditions in certain countries are not satisfied that the Treaties are carried out,

"Calls upon H.M. Government to propose to the Council of the League that a full inquiry be made into the working of the Minorities Treaties and into the best methods of making the League guarantee effective.

"Further, in view of the conditions in Yugoslavia where the Government does not admit the claim of the Macedonians to be a Minority, this Council of the Women's International League asks H.M. Government to propose a special inquiry with a view to obtaining the opinion of the Permanent Court of International Justice on any disputed facts relative to the application of the Minorities Treaty."

8. Armenians in Turkey.

"This Annual Council of the Women's International League, having noted that Armenians are again being driven out of Turkey in considerable numbers, appeals to H.M. Government to instruct its representatives on the League of Nations to co-operate to the fullest possible extent with any measures proposed for the relief of these refugees."

9. Palestine Mandate.

1. "This Annual Council of the Women's International League urges upon the Branches the necessity of studying the causes of the present discontent in Palestine in order to equip themselves to form just conclusions and assist the International Executive in any work it may undertake in that area."

2. "This Annual Council of the Women's International League, earnestly desiring the prosperity and peace of Palestine and believing that uncertainty in regard to the division of land suitable for cultivation as between Jews and Arabs is a contributory factor in the present unrest, urges upon H.M. Government as the Mandatory Power the advisability of instituting a complete land survey of the whole territory as the only rational basis of a sound immigration policy."

10. Trusteeship in East Africa.

"This Annual Council of the Women's International League, believing that a critical period in our Colonial policy has been reached and in view of the repeated declarations of Native trusteeship made by H.M. Secretaries of State,

"Urges that, in order to show their firm desire to carry out this policy of trusteeship, H.M. Government should make a precise statement of policy with regard to Land, Native Labour, Taxation and Expenditure on Native Services,

"Further, that in any constitutional changes which may be made in East Africa there should be no transference of control from the Colonial Office to any immigrant community,

"And that steps should be taken, in particular in Kenya Colony, to make secure the native reserves for the sole use of the Natives, and to ensure that a fair proportion of the revenues raised by Native taxation should be spent on Native services such as education, including girls' education, medical care and agricultural development in the reserves."

11. Forced Labour.

"This Annual Council of the Women's International League reaffirming its detestation of Forced Labour, and believing it to be a system analogous to slavery, urges H.M. Government to send a strong delegation to the forthcoming meeting of the International Labour Conference at Geneva, and assures them of its support for all measures which will hasten the abolition of this system.

"Further, recognising that grave abuses persist to-day in the use of unpaid or underpaid forced labour—because it is free or cheap—on projects which Colonial Governments describe as 'communal services,' this Council urges H.M. Government to declare at the forthcoming International Labour Conference their intention of disallowing at once the further use of unpaid forced labour throughout their Colonies, Protectorates, and Mandated Territories."

12. Aspects of Marriage and Domestic Service in Africa and the East.

"In view of the interest shown in regard to marriage and other customs affecting women and girls in Africa, this Annual Council of the W.I.L. urges the need for a broad consideration of these questions in relation to their political, economic, and ethnological background.

"Further, it calls the attention of the Government to the importance of obtaining the co-operation of the people concerned, in the suppression or alteration of these particular native customs, and in order to encourage native development along sound lines, it would suggest that H.M. Government should

"(1) Insist upon a generous increase in expenditure on education of African boys and girls, particularly of girls;

"(2) Increase medical aid and health and maternity services in the native reserves;

"(3) Gain the confidence of the native populations by insuring complete security of land tenure for them."

13. Slavery of Women and Children.

"This Annual Council of the Women's International League urges the British Government:—

"(a) To support the creation of a Slavery Commission, or Permanent Bureau or other suitable machinery under the League of Nations, in which both men and women shall hold responsible positions, and whose terms of reference shall include every form of slavery, among them those forms where the status of woman is such that her husband, relatives, and other persons exercise over her rights of ownership;

"(b) To carry into effect the promised abolition of child slavery (Mui Tsai) in certain of our Eastern possessions and to take all possible steps to discountenance among indigenous peoples any practices whatsoever of bartering of women and children into domestic or other forms of slavery;

"(c) To appoint a woman adviser within the Colonial Office, whose function shall include the collection and dissemination of information affecting the status and well-being of women, both British and native born, in the Colonies, Dependencies and Territories."

14. Opium Smoking.

"This Annual Council of the Women's International League, taking into consideration that Article 6 of the Hague Convention of 1912 lays down that 'The Contracting Powers shall take measures for the gradual and effective suppression of the manufacture of, internal trade in, and use of prepared opium with due regard to the varying circumstances of each country concerned,' and that a Commission is now visiting the Far East to investigate the Opium situation there, is of the opinion that whatever difficulties the British Government may experience in suppressing opium smoking in its Colonies, Dependencies or Mandated Areas, it is incompatible with the above-quoted article of the Hague Convention for a Government to sell opium to a person who had not contracted the habit of smoking opium at the time the Government in question ratified the Geneva Convention, and considering that the British Government has not fulfilled its treaty obligations, urges

"1. That opium for smoking shall in future only be sold to registered smokers.

"2. That a short time limit be fixed in which opium smokers may register as such, and that after the period has elapsed, no additions shall be made to the list of registered smokers."

"This Council believes that the Colonial Governments should cease to receive revenue from the sale of opium."

15. India.

"This Annual Council of the Women's International League urges that the British Government, in order to show that it is in earnest in its intention to grant Dominion Status to India, shall:—

(1) "Provide that the Indian members of the Round Table Conference promised by the British Government to formulate a constitution on a Dominion Status basis shall be nominated by the Indian Legislative Assembly;

(2) "Grant an amnesty to all political prisoners;

(3) "Ask the Simon Commission to present its report without any further delay."

16. Egypt.

"This Annual Council of the Women's International League welcomes the presence in London of an Egyptian Delegation possessing the full confidence of the Egyptian nation. The Council earnestly hopes that the negotiations now taking place will result in a permanent treaty of friendship based on a full recognition of Egypt's rights as a free civilised nation.

"The Council welcomes the prospect of seeing Egypt a member of the League of Nations at an early date."

17. Revision of Aliens Order of 1920.

"This Council, believing that the provisions of the Aliens Order of 1920 are in need of drastic revision to bring them into harmony with the best traditions of British liberty, urges the Secretary of State for Home Affairs to give consideration to this matter at an early date.

"It urges in particular that the arbitrary power at present possessed by the Home Secretary in matters referring to the alien should immediately be made subject to appeal, either to a special Committee or to an already existing Court."

18. Membership.

"In view of the urgent need of propaganda to form public opinion for peace, work for which the W.I.L. as the only women's all-party organisation, with peace as its main object, is peculiarly fitted, this Annual Council of the Women's International League urges its members to do all in their power to increase the membership of the W.I.L., and in particular to open up new Branches."

Constitution and Rules.

I. TITLE.

“Women’s International League” (British Section of the Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom).

II. OBJECT.

- (1) To work for that peace between nations, races, and classes which is based on justice and goodwill.
- (2) To work for the acceptance of the belief that war is a crime.
- (3) To substitute Conference and Law for Coercive Force.
- (4) To secure full rights of citizenship to women.
- (5) To co-operate with women in other countries who are working for the same ends.

III. MEMBERSHIP.

(a) *Members.*—Membership shall be open to all women who are British subjects, who accept the above object, whose purpose it is to work for its accomplishment, and who pay an annual subscription either to a local Branch or direct to the national head-quarters.

(b) National Head-quarters’ Members shall pay a minimum subscription of 2s. 6d. in January each year.

(c) *Associate Members.*—Women resident in Great Britain, other than British subjects, who accept the above object shall be accepted as Associate Members.

Men resident in Great Britain who desire to become associated with the work of the League shall be accepted as Associate Members.

Associate Members shall pay an annual subscription of not less than 2s. 6d. and shall be entitled to all privileges of members except the right of election to Council or Executive Committee and the right to nominate and vote.

IV. BRANCHES.

(a) *Formation.*—Branches shall be formed in consultation with the Executive Committee. They shall consist of not less than ten members who support the object of the League, and

shall pay an affiliation fee of 3d. per member annually to Head-quarters. Branches may make their own rules and by-laws, subject to the general rules and constitution of the League.

(b) *Affiliation to other Organisations.*—Branches are free to co-operate with other societies in their neighbourhood, but before affiliating to any other organisation, Branches of the League shall obtain the sanction of the Executive Committee.

(c) *Affiliation of other Organisations.*—Branches of the League shall have power to accept for affiliation any local organisation of women in their district which supports the object of the League and pays an annual subscription of the same amount as the annual subscription of two individual Branch members. Such an affiliated organisation shall be entitled to send two voting delegates to general meetings of the Branch, such delegates to have the same power as members of the Branch.

V. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

A.—Constitution of Executive Committee.

(a) *Committee.*—The Executive Committee shall consist of the Hon. Officers and twenty-three members, who shall be elected at the Annual Meeting of the Council. Each Branch shall be entitled to send one representative to the Executive Committee meetings with power to speak, but not to vote, the Executive not being responsible for such representatives’ expenses.

(b) *Officers.*—The Officers shall be a President, Chairman, Hon. Treasurer, and Hon. Secretaries. The President, Hon. Treasurer, and Hon. Secretaries shall be elected by the Council at its Annual Meeting. The Chairman shall be elected by the Executive Committee from among its members. An assistant Treasurer shall be appointed when necessary by the Executive Committee.

(c) *Co-option to fill Vacancies.*—The Executive Committee shall have power to co-opt members to fill vacancies that occur during the year.

(d) Members of the Executive Committee shall be elected for one year, and at the end of that term shall be eligible for re-election without nomination.

Members of the Executive who have not attended 50 per cent. of the meetings during the year shall not be eligible for re-election unless some specific reason for absence can be offered, such as illness or absence from the country, and there is good reason to suppose that they will be able to attend in the future.

B.—Powers and Duties of Executive Committee.

- (a) The Executive Committee shall meet, if possible, once a month.
- (b) The railway fares of country members shall be paid so long as funds are available for this purpose.
- (c) The Executive Committee shall carry on the business of the League between the meetings of the Council in accordance with the policy agreed to thereat.
- (d) It shall administer the funds of the League and direct the organising work.
- (e) It shall have power to appoint special Committees for carrying out the work of the League.
- (f) It shall have power to appoint and dismiss all paid officials.
- (g) In all things on which the rules are silent, the Executive Committee shall have power to decide, subject to appeal to the Council.

VI. AFFILIATION OF WOMEN'S ORGANISATIONS.

- (a) *Central Executives.*—The Executive of the League shall have power to accept for affiliation the Central Executive of any national women's organisation which supports the object of the League and pays an affiliation fee of 5s. a year. Affiliated Central Executives shall be entitled to send two voting delegates to the Council Meetings of the League, such delegates to have the same powers as Branch delegates.
- (b) *Branches.*—Head-quarters shall have power to accept for affiliation any branch of women's organisations or women's groups within mixed organisations in districts where no Branch of the Women's International League exists. Such Branches shall pay an affiliation fee of not less than 2s. 6d. per annum, and shall be entitled to send one delegate to Council Meetings. Such delegates shall have the right to vote on all resolutions other than those dealing with the Constitution, with the election of the Hon. Officers and the Executive Committee.

VII. GENERAL COUNCIL.

- (a) The Council of the League shall consist of the Executive Committee, Delegates from Branches and Affiliated Bodies, and the Vice-Presidents. The Vice-Presidents shall be nominated by Branches or by the Executive Committee members, and shall be elected at the Annual Meeting of the Council.

(b) Each Branch shall be entitled to one delegate and one card vote for every twenty-five or part of twenty-five members for whom the affiliation fee for the previous year has been paid. This must be paid not less than a month before the date of the Council, in the case of new Branches or increased membership. If the appointed delegate be unable to attend all sessions of the Council she may transfer her card to a proxy delegate duly accredited by the Branch or Affiliated Society.

(c) The Council shall meet at least once a year to transact the usual business of an Annual Meeting. The travelling expenses of one delegate from each Branch to the Annual Council Meeting shall be pooled, but no Branch shall be obliged to contribute to the expenses or benefit by the pool for the first Council Meeting after its foundation.

(d) A meeting of the Council can be called at any time by the Executive Committee or on demand of one-tenth of the total number of Branches.

VIII. RULES FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS.

A.—Ordinary Council Meetings.

- (a) Ordinary meetings of the Council shall be held at a time and place to be fixed by the Executive Committee.
- (b) The General Secretary shall notify the Executive, Vice-Presidents, Branches, Head-quarter members, and Affiliated Bodies two months before the Council Meeting, and all resolutions to be printed on the Agenda must reach the Secretary not later than one month before the Meeting.
- (c) The Preliminary Agenda shall be issued to Branches three weeks before the Meeting.
- (d) All amendments to Resolutions must reach the office not later than fourteen days before the Meeting.
- (e) The Final Agenda will be issued to Branches one week before the Meeting.
- (f) Resolutions shall be placed upon the Agenda in the name of a Branch or affiliated organisation or of the Executive Committee, or of any member of the Executive Committee, or of any of the Vice-Presidents.
- (g) No business which is not on the Agenda may be taken at a Council Meeting, unless urgency is voted on the recommendation of the Standing Orders Committee.

(h) Delegates shall be admitted to Council Meetings on presentation of the official delegate's ticket signed by the Secretary of the Branch which she represents, or by the General Secretary.

B.—Annual Council Meetings.

(a) At the Annual Meeting of the Council, which shall be held in February or March, in addition to the ordinary business the Council shall:—

- (1) Receive and adopt, if approved, the Report and Balance Sheet for the year;
- (2) Elect by ballot the President, Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Secretaries, and twenty-three members of the Executive Committee;
- (3) Elect Vice-Presidents;
- (4) Consider any alterations of the rules that may be proposed.

(b) Nominations for the offices of President, Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Secretaries, and for the Executive Committee Members, may be sent in by Branches, Vice-Presidents, and Members of the Executive Committee, and must reach the Secretary two weeks before the Council Meeting. Resolutions to be placed on the agenda and proposed alterations of the rules must reach the Secretary not later than one month before the Council Meeting.

(c) The consent of the nominees must be obtained in writing before nominations are sent in.

(d) The financial year shall end on 31st of December, and all affiliation fees must be paid before that date. Members' subscriptions shall be due in January each year.

(e) Branches which have not paid their affiliation fees before the end of the financial year will not be entitled to send delegates to Council Meetings.

(f) The Final Agenda and draft Annual Report shall be issued to the Branches one week before the Annual Meeting.

C.—Special Council Meetings.

(a) The Secretary shall give the Branches at least three weeks' notice of a Special Council Meeting, except in case of national emergency. Resolutions to be printed on the Agenda must reach the Secretary at least fourteen days before the Council Meeting.

(b) The Preliminary Agenda shall be issued to Branches at least one week before the Meeting, and a Final Agenda, in-

cluding amendments, shall be issued before the Meeting if time allows.

(c) At special meetings of the Council no other business shall be taken except that specified in the notice calling the Meeting.

(d) Rules may be altered at Special Council Meetings, provided that notice of such alterations be given in the summons to the Council.

D.—Agenda at Council Meetings.

(a) The first business to be taken at a Council Meeting shall be—

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| (1) Appointment of Tellers for the votes in Council; | } At
Annual
Meeting
only. |
| (2) Appointment of Standing Orders Committee; | |
| (3) Appointment of Members of the Council
as Returning Officers and Tellers for the ballot
voting; | |
| (4) Appointment of Auditor; | |
| (5) Adoption of Annual Report and audited
Statement of Accounts. | |

(b) Otherwise the order of business shall be left to the discretion of the Executive Committee, and shall include the following:—

- (1) Report of the Executive Committee;
- (2) Election of President, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Secretaries, Executive Committee, and Vice-Presidents (at Annual Meeting only);
- (3) Correspondence;
- (4) Amendment to Rules and Standing Orders (if any);
- (5) Resolutions, of which due notice has been given to the Secretary and by her to each Branch, and Amendments relevant to the motions before the meeting;
- (6) Other business.

	SUBS.			DONS.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	175	7	8	404	15	9
Dingwall, Miss ...		2	6			
Dixey, Mrs. Neville ...	1	1	0			
Dixon, Miss A. ...	10	0		15	0	
Dixon, Mrs. ...	7	6				
Donaldson, J.P., Mrs. Lewis ...		2	6			
Drake, Mrs. B. ...	2	2	0			
Durell, Mrs. ...	10	0				
Dyer, Miss A. ...	2	6				
Dyer, Mrs. ...	5	0		2	6	
Eadie, Miss ...	4	6		8	0	
Eady, Mrs. ...	1	0				
Ealing Sale (per Miss Chick) ...				18	2	9
Eames, M.B., B.S., Mrs. ...	5	0				
Earp, Miss M. ...	3	0				
East Cheshire Branch				2	8	6
Eckhard, Miss E. V. ...	5	0	0			
Edwards, Mrs. F. M. ...	2	6				
Edwards, Mrs. M. ...	2	6				
Elgey, Mrs. ...	1	0	0			
Elliott, Miss ...	5	0				
Ellis, Miss E. M. ...	1	1	0	1	1	0
Ellis, Mrs. Hubbard ...				1	0	0
Ellis, Mrs. ...	10	0				
Ellis, Miss F. ...	10	0				
Ellis, Miss M. ...	5	0				
Emmott, Mrs. E. B. ...	5	0	0			
Emson, Miss ...	5	0				
Engholm, Mrs. ...	1	0	0			
Evans, Miss Dorothy ...	7	6				
Evans Miss E. L. ...				5	0	
Evans, Mrs. ...	2	6				
Ewen, Mrs. (for 2 years) ...	10	0		2	0	
Eyre, Miss ...	4	0				
Farquharson, Mrs. ...	2	6				
Featherstone, Mrs. ...	5	0				
Feek, Miss F. E. ...	1	0	0			
Fielden, Miss M. ...	2	6				
Fincken, Mrs. ...	1	0	0			
Fisher, Mrs. Corbett ...	1	1	0	1	1	0
Follows, Miss E. A. ...	2	6				
Forbes, The Hon. Mrs. ...	10	0				
Ford, Miss M. E. ...	5	0				
Fox, Miss Hilda ...				5	6	
Fox, Mrs. J. H. ...	1	1	0			
Fox, Miss M. C. ...	1	0	0			
Carried forward	203	18	8	430	7	0

	SUBS.			DONS.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	203	18	8	430	7	0
Foxley, Miss ...	5	0		7	6	
Franklin, The Hon. Mrs. ...	1	1	0			
Franklin, Dr. M. E. ...	5	0	0			
Freeth, Mrs. C. ...	2	6				
Friedenhain, Mrs. ...	1	3	6			
Friedenhain, Mrs. P. ...	1	1	0			
Friends Peace Committee ...				5	0	0
Fry, Miss ...				1	0	0
Fry, Miss A. R. ...	2	2	0	3	11	0
Fry, Miss S. M. ...	1	0	0	1	0	0
Fuller, Miss ...	2	6				
Furse, Dame Katherine ...	10	0		1	0	0
Fyffe, Mrs. ...	1	0	0	3	0	0
Gardiner, Mrs. A. ...				3	0	0
Garrod, Mrs. ...	7	6				
George, Miss M. ...	2	6				
Gibb, Lady ...	2	2	0			
Gibb, Miss E. D. ...	2	6				
Gibberd, Miss ...	2	6				
Gibbings, Miss L. ...	5	0				
Giles, Miss ...	3	0				
Gill, Miss M. H. ...	5	0		4	0	0
Gillett, Mrs. ...				2	0	0
Gillett, Mrs. ...	3	0	0			
Gillett, Mrs. R. ...	1	5	0			
Gittins, Miss M. C. ...	1	1	0	2	2	0
Gooch, Mrs. G. P. ...	1	1	0	2	0	0
Goring, Miss ...	1	1	0			
Gosling, Miss C. F. ...	2	6		2	6	
Gossage, Mrs. ...				3	0	0
Gowa, Miss J. ...	2	6				
Graham, Mrs. ...	2	6				
Green, Miss M. M. ...	5	0				
Greg, Miss E. M. ...	5	0	0	2	0	0
Greg, Miss M. L. ...	1	0	0	1	0	0
Greg, Mrs. W. W. ...	1	3	6	2	0	0
Grinling, Miss ...	2	6				
Grubb, Mrs. E. M. ...	5	0		2	6	
Gugenheim, Mrs. L. ...	1	0	0			
Gulland, Miss ...	10	0		1	0	
Gulland, Miss J. ...	3	6				
Gundry, Mrs. ...	2	6				
Hall, Miss (for 2 years) ...	1	0	0	7	6	
Hamilton, Mrs. A. M. ...	5	0				
Hampstead Garden Suburb & Golders Green Branch ...				35	15	7
Carried forward	239	8	8	502	16	7

	SUBS.			DONS.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	239	8	8	502	16	7
Harburn, Miss ...	10	0				
Harlock, The Misses ...	15	0				
Harrington, Mrs. ...	10	0				
Harris, Mrs. T. ...	10	0				
Harrison, Miss A. ...	10	0				
Hart, Miss L. C. ...	5	0				
Hartley Avenue Women's Guild ...				2	0	
Harvey, Mrs. ...	3	0	0	2	0	0
Hawker, Miss B. E. G. ...	1	0	0			
Hawkin, Miss ...	1	0				
Hawkins, Mrs. ...	10	0				
Hay, Miss ...	2	6				
Heath, Mrs. ...	5	0				
Henderson, Mrs. ...	1	0				
Henderson, Mrs. ...	1	1	0			
Hicks, Miss ...	2	6				
Higgs, Mrs. ...	10	0				
Hills, Mrs. M. ...	10	0				
Hipsley, Mrs. ...	3	6				
Hirst, Mrs. H. M. C. ...	1	0	0			
Hoare, Mrs. C. ...	1	3	6	3	10	0
Hobson, Mrs. F. E. ...				25	0	0
Hodgkin, Mrs. G. L. ...	7	6				
Hodgkin, Mrs. L. ...	5	0				
Holah, Miss F. ...	2	6		2	6	
Holdsworth, Mrs. ...	1	0	0			
Holgate, Miss ...	5	0		2	6	
Holt, Miss ...	12	6				
Horsley, Lady ...	2	2	0	1	0	0
Hoster, Mrs. ...				7	9	
Howard, Miss E. F. ...	5	0				
Howlett, Miss ...	2	6				
Hughes, Mrs. A. ...	12	6				
Hughes, Miss M. ...	5	0				
Hume, Miss E. M. ...	5	0				
Hunt and Williamson, The Misses ...				10	0	
Hunter, Miss A. A. ...	10	0				
Hutchins, Miss B. L. ...	1	0	0	4	0	0
Innes, Mrs. K. E. ...	2	6		10	0	
Jackson, Mrs. Huth ...	2	2	0			
James, Miss A. H. ...	5	0				
James, Mrs. D. ...	5	0				
James, Miss Mary ...	2	6				
Jarvis, Miss F. S. ...	1	1	0			
Jastrow, Miss ...	2	6				
Jenkins, Miss E. V. ...	5	0		5	0	
Jervis, Mrs. Gilbert ...	8	6				
Carried forward	264	7	2	540	6	4

	SUBS.			DONS.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	264	7	2	540	6	4
Jewson, Miss D. ...	2	6				
Joachim, Miss ...	2	6		2	6	
Johnson, Dr. A. ...	5	0		10	0	
Jones, Miss E. ...	1	0	0	3	0	0
Jones, Mrs. E. ...	2	6				
Jones, Miss E. F. ...	2	2	0	1	0	0
Jones, Mrs. Rheinallt ...	2	6				
Judson, Miss E. ...	2	6				
Kelsall, Miss ...	2	6				
Kendall, Mrs. C. ...	5	0				
Kensington Branch ...				5	7	0
Kenway, Mrs. E. L. ...	1	0	0	7	0	0
Ker, Dr. Alice ...	2	6				
Kewley, Miss ...	10	6		7	0	
Kisch, Mrs. C. ...	2	6		7	6	
Knock, Mrs. ...	5	0				
Knowles, Mrs. ...	1	0	0	15	0	0
Lambert, Mrs. ...	2	6				
Larnouins, Mrs. A. L. C. ...	5	0				
Last, Miss E. ...	2	6				
Lawrence, M.P., Mr. F. W. Pethick ...	12	10	0			
Lawrence, Mrs. Pethick ...	12	10	0			
Layton, Mrs. ...	10	0				
Leader, Mr. G. W. ...				1	0	0
Leaf, Miss E. ...	1	0	0	40	2	0
Le Brun, Mrs. P. ...	5	0				
Lees, Mr. (2 years) ...	4	0				
Lees, Mrs. ...	10	0				
Leggatt, Miss A. ...	5	0				
Legge, Miss ...	10	0		1	0	0
Leicester Women's Peace Crusade ...				13	0	0
Leon, Mrs. ...	1	0	0			
Levetus, Miss A. S. ...	4	6				
Little, Mrs. J. R. ...	10	0				
Liddle, Miss ...	2	6				
Liverpool Branch ...				10	0	0
Lock, Miss M. C. ...	5	0				
Lockwood, Mrs. F. ...	1	1	0	1	0	0
Long, Mrs. H. ...	2	6		2	6	
Long, Miss M. K. ...	1	0	0	1	0	0
Lorsignol, Madame B. ...	10	0				
Lowenstein, Mrs. ...	1	10	0			
Lucas, Miss A. A. ...	1	10	0	4	0	0
Lupton, Mrs. A. (2 years) ...	1	2	6	1	8	6
Carried forward	309	6	8	645	13	4

	SUBS.		DONS.			SUBS.		DONS.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.		£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Brought forward	309	6 8	645	13 4	Brought forward	342	18 2	660	5 10
Lupton, Miss P. ...		5 0			Moullin, Mrs. Mansell		12 6		
Lyschinska, Miss ...		2 6			Mulford, Mrs. D. ...		2 6		
Macadam, Miss ...	10	0	10	0	Murray, Lady Mary ...	1	0 0	1	10 0
Macdermid, Miss ...			5	0	Murray, Miss ...		2 6		
Macdonald, Miss D....		5 0			McCombie, Miss M.	10	0	2	2 0
Mack, Miss H. ...		2 6			McDowall, Miss ...		2 6		
MacLagan, Mrs. M.		2 6		5 0	McGregor Ross, Mrs.	1	0 0		5 0
Macnaghten, Miss E.	2	0 0	2	10 0	Naumann, Miss Elsie		7 6		
Macnaghten, Miss L.		2 6			Naylor, Miss M. D. ...		7 6		7 6
Macmillan, Miss C. ...		7 6			Neal, Mrs. ...		5 0 0		2 6
Macnamara, Miss ...		10 0			Nevill, Mrs. W. ...		5 0		
Mactaggart, Mr. ...			1	0 0	Newcombe, Miss ...				5 0
Malcomson, Mrs. ...		10 0			Newman, Miss ...		10 0		
Manders, Mrs. ...		2 6			Newsome, Miss ...		2 6		10 0
Marquardt, Miss F. E.		5 0			Newton, Miss W. M.		2 6		5 0
Marsden, Mrs. M. ...		5 0			Oakeshott, Miss ...		10 0		16 0
Marshall, Mrs. M. A.	2	0 0			O'Brien, Miss E. (2				
Marshall, Miss C. E.	5	0 0			years) ...		5 0		
Mason, Mrs. E. D. ...		2 6		2 6	O'Brien Harris, Mrs.	1	1 0	1	1 0
Matheson, Miss M. J.		6 6			O'Leary, Miss ...		1 1 0		
Matthews, Miss D. ...		10 0		10 0	Oliver, Mrs. Cardwell		7 6		
Mawson, Miss Cameron		18 6		2 2 0	Oppenheimer, Mrs.				
Mayer, Mrs. Robert ...		1 1 0			Macfarlane ...		3 3 0		4 4 0
Maynard, Mrs. & Miss		1 0 0		1 1 0	Parkes, Miss L. ...		10 0		
Megahy, Mrs. S. M.		1 0 0		2 2 6	Parker, Mrs. R. ...		10 0		10 0
Melland, Miss ...		5 0 0			Parley, Mrs. ...		5 0		
Mennell, Miss ...		1 2 6		1 5 0	Parmoor, Lady ...		10 0 0		
Mensch, The Misses ...		5 0			Parry, Mrs. G. A. ...		2 6		
Merttens, Miss J. ...		1 0 0			Parsons, Mrs. ...		1 0		
Merttens, Mrs. M. J.		1 10 0			Payne, Mrs. C. E. ...		1 1 0		
Metherell, Mrs. ...		1 1 0			Peach, Mrs. M. W. ...		5 0		
Michell, Miss A. P.					Peacock, Miss E. ...				1 6
Busch ...		7 6			Pearce, Miss F. ...		1 0		
Milburn, Miss ...		5 0		2 6	Pearson, Miss ...				15 0
Milne, Mrs. ...		10 0			Pease, Miss F. M. ...				1 0 0
Milton, Miss ...		10 0		1 0 0	Peckover, Miss P. H.				2 0 0
Mitchell, Miss M. L.		5 0			Peckover, The Hon.				
Mitchell, Miss D. ...		10 0			Alexandrina ...				10 0 0
Mitchison, Mrs. ...		10 0			Peile, Miss H. ...		10 0 0		3 0 0
Mitton, Miss J. ...				2 0	Pendered, Miss ...		7 6		
Model, Mrs. ...		2 6		2 6	Penrose, The Hon.				
Moir, Miss E. ...		2 6			Mrs. ...		1 0 0		20 0 0
Moll, Miss ...		2 6			Phillips, Miss E. P. ...		5 0		5 0
Montagu, The Hon.					Philp, Miss E. Penrose		2 2 0		3 0 0
Lily ...		1 1 0			Piggott, Mrs. ...		10 0		
Montgomery, Mrs. ...		1 1 0		1 0 0	Playne, Miss C. E. ...		1 1 0		1 11 0
Morel, Mrs. M. ...		2 6		2 6	Pollard, Miss ...		2 6		
Morley, Mrs. H. ...		2 6			Pollard, Mrs. J. ...		2 6		1 0
Moscrip, Miss ...		10 0		10 0	Pollock, The Hon.				
Moser, Miss ...		2 6			Mrs. Dighton ...		1 1 0		
Carried forward	342	18 2	660	5 10	Carried forward	388	17 8	713	17 4

	SUBS.		DONS.			SUBS.		DONS.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.		£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Brought forward	388	17 8	713	17 4	Brought forward	413	17 8	751	1 10
Porteous, Miss M. ...		2 6			Sadler, Miss ...		1 0		
Porter, Mrs. ...		1 0 0			Salter, Mrs. ...		10 0		
Potter, Miss F. ...		2 6			Sanderson, Miss E. ...		10 6		1 0 0
Powell, Mrs. R. ...		7 6			Sanger, Miss S. ...		5 0		
Price, Mrs. ...				10 0	Sanger, Mrs. ...		2 0 0		6 0 0
Pritchard, Mrs. ...				5 0	Saunders, Miss M. ...		5 0		5 0
Proctor, Miss Zoe ...		5 0			Savage, Mrs. D. ...		2 6		
Pryke, Miss I. L. ...		5 0			Schuster, Mrs. ...		1 5 0		2 0 0
Pumphrey, Mrs. S. ...				2 0 0	Schutte, Miss ...		2 6		
Pumphrey, Miss M. E.		1 0 0			Schwab, Mrs. ...		10 0		
Pye, Miss E. M. ...		1 0 0			Scott, Mrs. M. B.				
Pye, Mrs. David ...		2 6			Couder ...		5 0		
Quarmby, Mrs. ...		2 6			Scott, Miss I. P. ...		7 6		3 3 0
Radi, Mr. R. A. ...				1 0 0	Scott, Mrs. ...		2 6		
Rance, Miss ...		2 6		2 6	Scott, Mrs. N. A. ...		2 6		
Rashleigh, Rev. & Mrs.		1 2 6		5 2 6	Selby, Miss K. ...		2 6		
Rawlins, Mrs. Hulley				3 0 0	Selby, Mrs. ...		10 0		
Reckitt, Miss ...				10 0 0	Seligman, Mrs. ...		5 0		3 3 0
Rendall, Miss F. ...		17 6			Sennet, Miss M. ...		7 6		
Renton, Mrs. S. ...		2 6			Seward, Mrs. ...		2 6		
Reute, Mrs. Said ...				1 0 0	Sharp, Miss E. ...		1 1 0		
Reynolds, Miss I. ...		2 6		2 0	Shaw, Mrs. Bernard...		1 0 0		
Richardson, Miss E. W.		10 0			"A Sheffield Friend"				5 0 0
Rickman, Mrs. ...		5 0			Shrimpton, Miss ...		1 0 0		
Rickman, Mrs. ...		10 0			Sidgwick, Miss ...		1 1 0		
Riddell, Miss J. ...		10 0			Silberman, Mrs. H. ...		1 0 0		
Riddell, Miss M. ...		2 6			Sims, Miss T. ...		4 6		
Rissik, Mrs. ...		7 6			Singleton, Mrs. ...				10 0
Roberts, Mrs. ...		5 0			Skeat, Dr. B. M. ...		5 0		2 0
Roberts, Mrs. M. ...		2 6			Skinner, Mrs. J. H. ...		2 6		
Robertson, Mrs. D. ...		5 0		2 6	Sladen, Mrs. A. ...		17 6		
Robertson, Miss J. ...		5 0			Slater, Mrs. V. ...		5 0		1 0
Robertson, Mrs. L. ...		1 1 0		2 2 0	Smith, Mrs. A. S.				
Robinson, Miss C. J.		5 0		10 0	Atherton ...		2 6		
Robson, Dr. H. ...				10 6	Smith, Mrs. Branson		7 6		7 6
Rock, Caron ...		2 6			Smith, Mrs. C. D. ...		2 6		
Rodgers, Miss ...		5 0			Smith, Mrs. J. Freeman		7 6		
Rogers, Mrs. ...				5 0	Smith, Mrs. J. (2				
Ross, Miss ...		7 6			years) ...		7 6		
Roth, Miss Helen ...		1 1 0			Smith, Miss L. Travers		2 6		
Rotherham, Mrs. ...		2 6			Snook, Mrs. B. ...		2 0		
Rowe, Mrs. F. ...		1 0 0		1 0 0	Snowden, Mrs. Phillip		1 1 0		
Rownthwaite, Mrs. ...		5 0			Sorenson, Mrs. ...				10 6
Rowntree, Mrs. T. ...		4 4 0			Spicer, Miss C. ...				2 2 0
Rowntree, Mrs. ...		2 2 0		10 6	Stansfield, Mrs. ...		1 1 0		
Rowntree, Miss S. E.		5 0		1 0 0	Stead, Miss L. ...		1 0 0		
Russell, The Misses ...				3 3 0	Stebbing Women's In-				5 8
Russell, Miss H. C....		2 0 0		1 0 0	stitute ...				
Russell, The Hon.					Stewart, Miss E. ...		1 0 0		
Mrs. Rollo ...		2 2 0		3 19 0	Stevenson, Miss L. ...		5 0		2 6
Carried forward	413	17 8	751	1 10	Stone, Miss ...		5 0		10 0
Carried forward	434	14 8	776	4 0					

	SUBS.			DONS.				SUBS.			DONS.			
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
Brought forward	434	14	8	776	4	0		461	3	2	812	18	10	
Strachan, Miss C. E.		2	6					Walker, Dr. Jane ...	2	0	0			
Strauss, Mrs. P. ...		17	6					Walters, Mrs. ...			10	0	0	
Strauss, Mrs. B. ...		10	0					Ward, Miss H. ...		5	0	10	0	
Struthers, Miss ...		2	6					Wardroper, Mrs. ...		4	1	4	0	
Stuart, Miss C.								Warrington Branch ...				10	0	
Crichton ...	2	2	0	2	0	10		Waterhouse, Mrs. ...	5	0	0			
Sturge, Miss H. ...		5	0	1	0	6		Waters, Miss ...		3	0			
Sutherland, Miss H. ...	1	0	0	1	0	0		Watkins, Mrs. ...		2	6			
Swaisland, Miss ...		7	6					Webb, Mrs. D. ...		5	0			
Swanwick, Mrs. ...	1	1	0					Weeks, Miss A. ...		2	6	5	0	
Tann, The Misses ...		5	0					West, Mrs. E. G. ...		7	6			
Tansley, Miss K. ...	1	2	6					Westoby, Mrs. ...		10	0			
Tapper, Miss B. ...		5	0					Wheeler, Miss Rolt ...		10	0			
Taylor, Mrs. ...		10	0	3	0	0		White, Mrs. ...	1	1	0	1	0	0
Taylor, Mrs. F. ...				5	0			Whitehead, Mrs. North	10	0		10	0	
Taylor, Miss M. A. ...		5	0					Whitworth, Mrs. ...		2	6			
Theobald, The Misses		5	0		5	0		Whyte, Mrs. ...	1	0	0			
Thomas, Miss ...		10	0	7	11	6		Wigmore, Mrs. H. ...		2	6			
Thomas, Miss J. M. ...				10	0			Williams, Dr. E. &						
Thompson, Mrs. ...		2	6					Miss Hardcastle ...			10	10	0	
Thompson, Mrs. Hugh	6	6	0	5	0	0		Williams, Dr. E. ...			10	0		
Thompson, Miss ...		2	6					Williamson, Miss A. ...		7	6			
Thompson, Mrs. G. ...	1	1	0	1	1	0		Willis, Miss E. L. ...		7	6			
Thomson, Mrs. E. H. ...		2	6					Willis, Mrs. G. Cooper	1	0	0			
Thornton, Miss ...		2	6					Willmore, Miss M. ...		5	0			
Tidmarsh, Mrs. ...		10	0					Willsher, Mrs. G. ...		2	6			
Tomlinson, Miss R. ...		12	6					Willson, Miss ...			1	0	0	
Tothill, Miss ...				5	0	0		Wilson, Mrs. E. G. ...		2	6			
Towers, Mrs. E. ...		7	6					Wilson, Mrs. I. ...				10	0	
Towler, Mrs. R. ...					4	0		Wilson, Miss F. ...		2	6			
Trevelyan, Mrs. R. C.	2	0	0	2	0	0		Wilson, Miss M. ...				2	2	0
Tucker, Miss E. ...		2	6					Wilson, Mr. A. C. ...				1	0	0
Turner, Miss E. L. ...		5	0					Wilson, Mrs. A. C. ...	1	0	0			
Turquard, Miss L. ...					2	6		Wilson, Mrs. C. ...		2	6			
Unwin, Mrs. R. ...	1	1	0	5	0	0		Wiltshire, Miss ...		10	0	13	0	
Urie, Mrs. ...		15	0					Wood, Miss K. S. ...		5	0			
Valois, Mrs. ...		2	6					Woodman, Miss D. ...		5	0			
Vellenoweth, Miss ...		10	0					Woods, Mrs. ...		1	0			
Verney, Miss R. ...		2	6					Woods, Miss A. ...		5	0	5	0	
Vesel, Mrs. ...		2	6					Woodward, Mrs. R. ...		2	6	2	6	
Villiers, Miss ...		2	6					Wössner, Miss Anna		2	6			
Villiers, Miss A. ...		10	0	2	12	0		Wragge, Miss P. ...		7	6	1	0	0
Villiers, Miss S. A. ...		5	0					Wray, Miss C. ...	2	4	6			
Voigt, Mrs. ...		2	6					Wright, Mrs. L. ...		2	6			
Wackrill, Miss ...		5	0		2	6		Wright, Miss O. ...	1	1	0			
Waley, The Hon. Mrs.		5	0					Yates, Miss L. H. ...		2	6			
Waley, Mrs. ...	1	0	0					Yoole, Miss ...		2	6			
								Young, Miss R. ...		5	0	2	6	
								Zangwill, Mrs. ...	1	0	0			
								Zimmern, Miss A. ...		5	0			
Carried forward	461	3	2	812	18	10			484	0	3	843	12	10

WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1929.

	RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
To BALANCE, JANUARY 1ST, 1929 ...			524	17 3
„ Subscriptions ...	484	0 3		
„ Donations, General ...	574	15 11		
„ „ Minorities Conference...	81	3 0		
„ „ Prague Congress ...	15	0 0		
„ „ Opium Committee ...	72	13 11		
„ Legacy from The Lady Courtney of Penwith ...	100	0 0		
„ Sale of <i>News Sheets</i> ...	81	18 3		
„ Sale of Literature and Badges ...	104	15 6		
„ Affiliation Fees ...	30	13 3		
„ Proceeds of Meetings ...	30	11 0		
„ Rent Received ...	37	2 6		
„ Interest on Deposit ...	19	0 4		
„ Histories (French and Greek) ...	1	6 7		
	1,633	0 6		
„ Subscriptions to Geneva Headquarters and "Pax" ...			63	13 0
			1,633	0 6
By Rent and Insurance ...	107	17 10		
„ Lighting and Heating ...	18	12 11		
„ Office Expenses ...	26	1 10 ¹ / ₄		
„ Duplicating Machine ...	16	0 0		
„ Wages ...	32	16 6		
„ Office Salaries ...	490	6 0		
„ State Insurances ...	15	16 0		
„ Organisers' Salaries and Expenses ...	266	7 11 ¹ / ₂		
„ Travelling Expenses ...	60	7 5		
„ Stationery ...	69	17 9		
„ Printing (including Annual Report and Reports of Minorities Conference and Opium Conference) ...	165	9 0		
„ History of W.I.L. ...	43	17 0		
„ Advertisements ...	3	4 6		
„ Telephone and Postage ...	122	1 10		
„ Expenses of Meetings ...	23	6 0		
„ Expenses of Prague Congress ...	54	12 0		
„ Literature Purchased ...	32	6 3		
„ British Section's Subscriptions to "Pax" ...	5	17 6		
„ Badges ...	4	6 0		
„ <i>News Sheets</i> ...	63	1 0		
„ Affiliation Fees ...	2	12 6		
„ Delegates' Fees ...	12	6		
„ Audit Fee ...	7	17 6		
„ Press Agency ...	8	8 0		
„ Histories (French and Greek) ...	1	6 7		
	1,643	2 4 ³ / ₄		
Subscriptions to Geneva Headquarters and "Pax" ...			63	13 0
„ Grant to International "Pax" ...			10	0 0
„ BALANCE, DECEMBER 31ST, 1929:—				
Cash at Bank ...	68	18 0		
Deposit Account (Co-operative Permanent Building Society) ...	416	18 4		
Cash in Hand ...	23	6 0 ¹ / ₄		
	509	2 4 ¹ / ₄		
Less Reserve for Sundry Creditors	4	7 0		
	504	15 4 ¹ / ₄		
	1,643	2 4 ³ / ₄		
	1,643	2 4 ³ / ₄		
	2,221	10 9		

INTERNATIONAL HOUSE RENT ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1929.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
By BALANCE, JANUARY 1ST, 1929			242 13 7	By Rent	200	0	0
„ Rents	522	10	0	„ Insurance	7	5	0
„ Interest	14	8	0	„ Rates and Taxes	101	14	7
			536 18 0	„ Repairs...	47	18	0
				„ Miscellaneous Expenses	3	5	8
							360 3 3
				By BALANCE, DECEMBER 31ST, 1929:—			
				„ Cash at Bank	79	10	7
				„ Co-operative Permanent Building Society	314	12	0
				„ Rates and Insurance in advance	25	5	9
							419 8 4
			£779 11 7				£779 11 7

I have examined the Books and Vouchers of the League for the Year 1929, and certify that in my opinion the foregoing statement is properly drawn up, so as to exhibit the position of affairs in accordance with the information given me and as shown by the Books.
 9 Regent Street, S.W.1. 21st February, 1930. (Signed) M. S. CLUGSTON, Certified Accountant, AUDITOR.

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