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**November, 1939, to October, 1940.**

*NOTE.—All Committee Meetings are held at the University of London Club, 21, Gower Street, London, W.C.1.*

				1939
British Empire and Migration . . . . .	11.00	Tuesday	14th	<b>November</b>
Public Health and Housing . . . . .	2.15	Tuesday	14th	"
*Humane Treatment of Animals . . . . .	2.30	Tuesday	14th	"
Arts and Letters . . . . .	4.00	Tuesday	14th	"
†Finance . . . . .	10.00	Wednesday	15th	"
Parliamentary and Legislation . . . . .	11.15	Wednesday	15th	"
Moral Welfare and Public Service (Joint) . . . . .	2.15	Wednesday	15th	"
Temperance . . . . .	4.00	Wednesday	15th	"
International Affairs . . . . .	11.00	Thursday	16th	"
Cinema . . . . .	2.15	Thursday	16th	"
Regional and Branch Representatives . . . . .	4.00	Thursday	16th	"
†EXECUTIVE . . . . .	11.00	Friday	17th	"
				<b>December</b>
I.C.W. . . . .	11.00	Tuesday	12th	"
Women Police and Patrols . . . . .	2.15	Tuesday	12th	"
†Publicity and Broadcasting . . . . .	4.00	Tuesday	12th	"
†Finance . . . . .	10.00	Wednesday	13th	"
Parliamentary and Legislation . . . . .	11.15	Wednesday	13th	"
Education . . . . .	2.15	Wednesday	13th	"
Public Health and Housing . . . . .	4.00	Wednesday	13th	"
Public Service and Magistrates . . . . .	11.00	Thursday	14th	"
Household Service . . . . .	2.15	Thursday	14th	"
Industrial and Insurance . . . . .	4.00	Thursday	14th	"
†EXECUTIVE . . . . .	11.00	Friday	15th	"
				<b>1940</b>
				<b>February</b>
British Empire and Migration . . . . .	11.00	Tuesday	13th	"
Public Health and Housing . . . . .	2.15	Tuesday	13th	"
*Humane Treatment of Animals . . . . .	2.30	Tuesday	13th	"
Arts and Letters . . . . .	4.00	Tuesday	13th	"
†Finance . . . . .	10.00	Wednesday	14th	"
Parliamentary and Legislation . . . . .	11.15	Wednesday	14th	"
Moral Welfare . . . . .	2.15	Wednesday	14th	"
Temperance . . . . .	4.00	Wednesday	14th	"
International Affairs . . . . .	11.00	Thursday	15th	"
Cinema . . . . .	2.15	Thursday	15th	"
Regional and Branch Representatives . . . . .	4.00	Thursday	15th	"
†EXECUTIVE . . . . .	11.00	Friday	16th	"
				<b>March</b>
I.C.W. . . . .	11.00	Tuesday	12th	"
Women Police and Patrols . . . . .	2.15	Tuesday	12th	"
†Publicity and Broadcasting . . . . .	4.00	Tuesday	12th	"
†Finance . . . . .	10.00	Wednesday	13th	"
Parliamentary and Legislation . . . . .	11.15	Wednesday	13th	"
Education . . . . .	2.15	Wednesday	13th	"
Public Service and Magistrates . . . . .	11.00	Thursday	14th	"
Household Service . . . . .	2.15	Thursday	14th	"
Industrial and Insurance . . . . .	4.00	Thursday	14th	"
†EXECUTIVE . . . . .	11.00	Friday	15th	"

				1940
British Empire and Migration . . . . .	11.00	Tuesday	16th	<b>April</b>
Public Health and Housing . . . . .	2.15	Tuesday	16th	"
*Humane Treatment of Animals . . . . .	2.30	Tuesday	16th	"
Arts and Letters . . . . .	4.00	Tuesday	16th	"
†Finance . . . . .	10.00	Wednesday	17th	"
Parliamentary and Legislation . . . . .	11.15	Wednesday	17th	"
Moral Welfare . . . . .	2.15	Wednesday	17th	"
Temperance . . . . .	4.00	Wednesday	17th	"
International Affairs . . . . .	11.00	Thursday	18th	"
Cinema . . . . .	2.15	Thursday	18th	"
Regional and Branch Representatives . . . . .	4.00	Thursday	18th	"
†EXECUTIVE . . . . .	11.00	Friday	19th	"
				<b>May</b>
I.C.W. . . . .	11.00	Tuesday	21st	"
Women Police and Patrols . . . . .	2.15	Tuesday	21st	"
†Publicity and Broadcasting . . . . .	4.00	Tuesday	21st	"
†Finance . . . . .	10.00	Wednesday	22nd	"
Parliamentary and Legislation . . . . .	11.15	Wednesday	22nd	"
Education . . . . .	2.15	Wednesday	22nd	"
Public Service and Magistrates . . . . .	11.00	Thursday	23rd	"
Household Service . . . . .	2.15	Thursday	23rd	"
Industrial and Insurance . . . . .	4.00	Thursday	23rd	"
†EXECUTIVE . . . . .	11.00	Friday	24th	"
				<b>June</b>
British Empire and Migration . . . . .	11.00	Tuesday	18th	"
Public Health and Housing . . . . .	2.15	Tuesday	18th	"
*Humane Treatment of Animals . . . . .	2.30	Tuesday	18th	"
Arts and Letters . . . . .	4.00	Tuesday	18th	"
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Cinema . . . . .	2.15	Thursday	20th	"
Regional and Branch Representatives . . . . .	4.00	Thursday	20th	"
†EXECUTIVE . . . . .	11.00	Friday	21st	"
				<b>July</b>
I.C.W. . . . .	11.00	Tuesday	16th	"
Women Police and Patrols . . . . .	2.15	Tuesday	16th	"
†Publicity and Broadcasting . . . . .	4.00	Tuesday	16th	"
†Finance . . . . .	10.00	Wednesday	17th	"
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Public Service and Magistrates . . . . .	11.00	Thursday	18th	"
Household Service . . . . .	2.15	Thursday	18th	"
Industrial and Insurance . . . . .	4.00	Thursday	18th	"
†EXECUTIVE . . . . .	11.00	Friday	19th	"
				<b>September</b>
†Finance . . . . .	10.15	Wednesday	11th	"
†EXECUTIVE . . . . .	11.00	Friday	13th	"

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*Chairman.*—Mrs. S. H. L. Moyle, 13, Christchurch Road, Norwich.

*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Cyril Pearce, 69, Christchurch Road, Norwich.

*Secretaries.*—Mrs. J. M. Barclay, 464, Unthank Road, Norwich.

Mrs. B. Cozens Hardy, 16, Albemarle Road, Norwich.

NORTH STAFFS. (1918).

*President.*—Mrs. Wheelton Hind, O.B.E., J.P., Roxeth House, Stoke-on-Trent.

*Chairman.*—Miss Coghill, 1, Sidmouth Avenue, Newcastle, Staffs.

*Treasurer.*—Miss Bishop, Oulton House, Stone, Staffs.

*Secretary.*—Miss E. M. Ashwell, The Grove, Penkull, Stoke-on-Trent.

NORTHUMBERLAND, NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE, AND TYNESIDE, (1929).

*Chairman.*—Mrs. L. S. Hunter, 94, Moorside, Fenham, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

*Treasurer.*—Miss E. Atkinson, 71, St. George's Terrace, Jesmond, Newcastle-upon-Tyne 2.

*Secretary.*—Mrs. S. Phillips, 7, Kingsland, Jesmond, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTS. (1895).

*President & Chairman.*—Mrs. A. R. Henderson, 6, Villa Road, Nottingham.

*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Chaloner Mosey, 14, Mapperley Road, Nottingham.

*Secretary.*—Mrs. W. T. Torrance, Carlton, Nottingham.

OLDHAM (1897).

*President.*—Miss Lees, Westholme, Newport Street, Oldham.

*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Brooks, 85, Green Lane, Garden Suburb, Oldham.

*Secretary.*—Mrs. Claydon, 51, Frederick Street, Oldham.

PETERBOROUGH (1896).

*President.*—Mrs. Knyvett, Canonry House, Peterborough.

*Treasurer.*—Miss Shrive, 6, The Pantiles, All Saint's Road, Peterborough.

*Secretary.*—Miss Hartley, Fletton Tower, Peterborough.

*Assistant Secretary.*—Miss Shipley Ellis, Abbeyfields, The Park.

PORTSMOUTH. (1900).

*President.*—Mrs. Ross Turner, Admiral Superintendent's House, H.M. Dockyard, Portsmouth.

*Chairman.*—Miss E. H. Kelly, C.B.E., J.P., 18, St. Andrew's Road, Southsea.

*Treasurer.*—Mrs. J. R. C. Miller, 41, St. Ronan's Road, Southsea.

*Joint Secretaries.*—Miss Rundle and Mrs. Richard Williams, 13, Clarence Parade, Southsea.

RICHMOND (OCTOBER, 1935).

*President.*—

*Chairman.*—

*Treasurer.*—Miss H. Loney, 172, Kew Road, Richmond, Surrey.

*Secretary.*—Miss E. H. Spalding, 3, Holmesdale Road, Kew Gardens.

RUISLIP (1930).

*President.*—Councillor Mrs. Smedley, Avon Grange, Church Avenue, Ruislip, Middlesex.

*Chairman.*—Miss I. Blanch, Uplands, Swakeleys Road, Ickenham, Middlesex.

*Treasurer.*—Miss Holloway, Evenley, Warren Road, Uxbridge.

*Secretary.*—Miss Geden, 2, Cheyne Court, Ruislip.

ST. ALBANS (1918).

*President.*—

*Treasurer.*—Miss M. Humble, Ringwood, Hall Place Gardens, St. Albans.

*Secretary.*—

SALISBURY AND DISTRICT (1915).

*President.*—Mrs. J. L. Lovibond, J.P., Windover House, St. Ann Street, Salisbury.

*Chairman.*—Mrs. Barton, Dean Rectory, Salisbury.

*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Maples, Maple Farm House, E. Grinstead, Salisbury.

*Secretaries.*—*General* : Mrs. H. Jacob, De Vaux House, Salisbury.

*Minute* : Miss Eyre Matcham, New House, Redlynch, Salisbury.

*Press* : Mrs. A. Lawrence, 4, Manor Road, Salisbury.

SHEFFIELD (1909).

*President.*—Mrs. J. H. Doncaster, Wagwood Dore, nr. Sheffield.

*Chairman.*—Mrs. E. Finch, 442, Glossop Road, Sheffield, 11.

*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Scott, 132, Dobbin Hill, Ecclesall, Sheffield, 10.

*Secretary.*—Mrs. E. F. Watling, 21, Sale Hill, Sheffield, 10.

SOUTH DORSET (1917).

*President & Chairman.*—Mrs. Bone, M.A., 24, Kempston Road, Weymouth.

*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Thompson, 3, Johnston Row, Esplanade, Weymouth.

*Secretary.*—Mrs. I. R. Pratt, 22, St. George's Avenue, Weymouth.

SOUTHPORT AND BIRKDALE (1893).

*President & Chairman.*—Mrs. E. Redmayne Jones, The Chase, Rufford, nr. Southport.

*Treasurer.*—Miss H. R. Herbert, 13, Marlborough Road, Southport.

*Secretary.*—Miss E. Griffiths, 54, Liverpool Road, Birkdale, Southport.

SPENBOROUGH (1932).

*President.*—Mrs. Hugh Patchett, Quinton Hall, Cleckheaton.

*Vice-Presidents.*—Mrs. J. Sharp, Elmwood, Cleckheaton.

Mrs. W. Pearson, Fernbank, Cleckheaton.

*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Fred Burnhill, Lyncroft, Cliffe Lane, Cleckheaton, Yorks.

*Secretary.*—Miss Jean A. Anderson, Scite House Cottage, Hightown, Livers-edge, Yorks.

*Lectures Secretary.*—Mrs. W. Pearson, Fernbank, Cleckheaton.

STOCKTON AND THORNABY (1904).

*President.*—Miss Whitwell, J.P., Clockwood House, Yarm-on-Tees, Yorks.

*Chairman.*—Mrs. Zealley, 6, The Green, Norton-on-Tees.

*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Thompson, 70, Hartburn Lane, Stockton-on-Tees.

*Secretary.*—Miss Horner, 10, Van Mildert Terrace, Stockton-on-Tees.

TODMORDEN (1939).

*President.*—Mrs. Pitt Bayly.  
*Vice-President.*—Miss Ida M. Sutcliffe.  
*Treasurer.*—  
*Secretary.*—Mrs. Stebbings Graham, Woodlands, Todmorden.

TORQUAY (1915).

*President & Chairman.*—Miss Tweedy, M.B.E., J.P., Moorcot, Wellswood, Torquay.  
*Treasurer.*—Miss Mallock, 3, Kent's Road, Torquay.  
*Secretary.*—Mrs. Walton, Trees, Bronshill Road, Torquay.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS (1895).

*President & Chairman.*—Alderman Miss R. M. Baker, 25, Ferndale, Tunbridge Wells.  
*Treasurer.*—Miss Bretherton, M.A., 15, Frant Road, Tunbridge Wells.  
*Secretary.*—Miss D. F. Huxtable, 2, Somerville Gardens, Boyne Park, Tunbridge Wells.

UXBRIDGE (1939).

*President & Chairman.*—Mrs. John Miles, The Glebe House, Royal Lane, Hillingdon.  
*Treasurer.*—Mrs. A. Robinson, 75, Park Road, Uxbridge.  
*Secretary.*—Mrs. R. J. Hughes, 36, Cowley Road, Uxbridge.

WATFORD AND DISTRICT (1918).

*President.*—The Countess of Clarendon, 19, Hyde Park Gardens, W.2.  
*Chairman.*—Mrs. Davidson, 3, Mildred Avenue, Watford.  
*Treasurer.*—Miss Dodwell, The Spinney, Church Road, Watford.  
*Secretary.*—Mrs. F. J. Massey, 99, Cassiobury Park Avenue, Watford.

WOLVERHAMPTON AND DISTRICT (1918).

*Chairman.*—Mrs. Dyke, The Limes, Tettenhall, Staffs.  
*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Morrell, Tor Lodge, Compton, nr. Wolverhampton.  
*General Secretary.*—Mrs. Byford-Jones, 18, Parkdale, Wolverhampton.  
*Local Secretary.*—Miss Dixon, Borrowdale, Compton Road, Wolverhampton.

WORTHING (1914).

*President & Chairman.*—  
*Treasurer.*—  
*Secretary.*—Miss Rowland, 77, Balcombe Avenue, Worthing.

YORK (1900).

*President.*—Mrs. Riley, J.P., Highfield, Copmanthorpe, York.  
*Chairman.*—Mrs. W. Shaw, 24, Lilac Avenue, York.  
*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Cadell, Tranent, Heworth, York.  
*Secretary.*—Mrs. W. H. Orchard, 2, Druffield Terrace, York.

SCOTLAND.

ABERDEEN (1883).

*Chairman.*—Lady Alexander, M.A. (Cantab.), J.P., 31, Queens Road, Aberdeen.  
*Treasurer.*—Miss Trail, 81, High Street, Old Aberdeen.  
*Secretary.*—Miss Mabel W. Johnston,

DUNDEE (1904).

*President.*—Miss Kynoch, Perth Road, Dundee.  
*Chairman.*—Miss MacConnochie, 8, Martin Street, Dundee.  
*Treasurer & Secretary.*—Miss Duncan, 2, Beechwood Terrace, Dundee.

EDINBURGH AND DISTRICT (1896).

*Hon. President.*—The Lady Ruth Balfour, M.B., B.S., Balbirnie, Markinch, Fife.  
*Chairman.*—Mrs. J. T. S. Watson, M.A., 43, Fountainhall Road, Edinburgh, 9.  
*Treasurer.*—Miss Jean Cadigan, B.Com., C.A.  
*Secretary.*—Miss A. K. George, N.C.W. Office, 22, Stafford Street, Edinburgh.

GLASGOW (1884).

*President.*—Mrs. Shaw Dunn, M.D., D.Sc., 25, Bute Gardens, Glasgow, W.2.  
*Treasurer.*—Mrs. McCallum, Inveroran, Bearsden, By Glasgow.  
*Secretary.*—Miss Lilius S. Macartney, N.C.W. Office, 114, West Campbell Street, Glasgow, C.2.

GREENOCK (1904).

*President & Chairman.*—Ex-Bailie Isabelle Kerr, J.P., Heywood, Greenock.  
*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Alexander, Garrachhune, Kilmun, Argyllshire.  
*Secretary.*—Mrs. Williamson, Carlogie, Greenock.

NORTH AYRSHIRE (1928).

*President.*—Mrs. Forest, 50, Christie Gardens, Saltcoats.  
*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Seggie, 36, Christie Gardens, Saltcoats.  
*Secretary.*—Mrs. A. Reid, Greville, Saltcoats.

PERTH (1917).

*President & Chairman.*—Miss Margaret Martin, J.P., Rosemount Place, Perth.  
*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Cyril Walmesley, 4, Albert Place, Perth.  
*Secretary.*—Mrs. Theodore Overy, Muirhall Bank, Perth.

STIRLING AND DISTRICT (1918).

*President & Chairman.*—Lady Kay Muir, Blair Drummond by Stirling, Perthshire.  
*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Duff, 8, Pitt Terrace, Stirling.  
*Secretary.*—Mrs. Kerr, 19, Clarendon Place, Stirling.

WALES.

BANGOR (1918).

*President and Chairman.*—Miss Anna Rowlands, B.A., Tawelan, Menai Road, Bangor.  
*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Mainstone, Pengarth, Ffriddoedd Road, Bangor.  
*Secretary.*—Mrs. T. J. Wallace, Astoria, West End, Bangor.

COLWYN BAY (1934).

*President.*—Lady Artemus-Jones, J.P., Gorffwysfa, Llanrwst.  
*Chairman.*—Miss Richmond, Mentone, Conway Road, Colwyn Bay.  
*Treasurer.*—Mrs. John Jones, Rhianva, Fron Road, Colwyn Bay.  
*Secretary.*—Miss B. E. Hildred, Gorsehill, Upper Colwyn Bay.

LLANGOLLEN & DISTRICT (1918).

*President.*—Miss Lloyd Jones, Glanafon.  
*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Sidney C. Richards, Glascoed, Llangollen.  
*Secretary.*—Miss Pugh Jones, Bryndedwydd, Llangollen.

WREXHAM AND DISTRICT (1938).

*Chairman.*—Miss Allington-Hughes, J.P., Bryn-y-groes, Gresford.  
*Treasurer.*—Mrs. Artro Owen, 4, Belmont Road, Wrexham.  
*Secretary.*—Mrs. Erie Evans, Plas-y-Bryn, Wrexham.

## REGIONAL COMMITTEES.

### ENGLAND AND WALES.

#### EASTERN COUNTIES.

*Comprising* Cambridge, King's Lynn, Norwich, and Peterborough Branches.  
*Chairman.*—Mrs. Harper Smith, 435, Unthank Road, Norwich.  
*Treasurer and Secretary.*—Mrs. Hartree, 21, Bentley Road, Cambridge.

#### HOME COUNTIES.

*Comprising* Aylesbury, Bedford, Berkhamsted, Chorley Wood, Ealing, Gerrard's Cross, Hampstead, Harpenden, Harrow, Hornsey, London, Richmond, Ruislip, St. Albans, Uxbridge and Watford Branches.  
*Chairman.*—Miss Cécile Matheson, 19, Elsworthy Road, N.W.3.  
*Treasurer.*—Miss Joan Heywood, 21, Briar Lane, Carshalton, Surrey.  
*Secretary.*—Miss Ines Blanch, Uplands, Swakeleys Road, Ickenham, Middlesex.

#### EAST MIDLAND.

*Comprising* Burton-on-Trent, Chesterfield, Derby, Lincoln, Mansfield, Newark and Southwell, and Nottingham Branches.  
*Chairman.*—Mrs. R. F. Percy, Kynance, Private Road, Sherwood, Nottingham.  
*Treasurer and Secretary.*—Mrs. W. S. Rothera, 25, Magdala Road, Nottingham.

#### WEST MIDLAND.

*Comprising* Bilston, Birmingham, Coventry, Leicester, Malvern, North Staffordshire, and Wolverhampton Branches.  
*Chairman.*—Mrs. Emanuel, 10, Harborne Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham.  
*Treasurer and Secretary.*—Mrs. W. E. Hicks, Paget House, Old Fallings Lane, Wolverhampton.

#### NORTHERN.

*Comprising* Carlisle, Middlesbrough, Northumberland and Newcastle-on-Tyne, Stockton and Thornaby Branches.  
*Chairman.*—Mrs. Wakefield, B.A., Gale, Keswick.  
*Treasurer & Secretary.*—Mrs. Harrison, Dalston, Cumberland.

#### NORTH EASTERN.

*Comprising* Bradford, Bridlington, Halifax, Harrogate, Huddersfield, Hull, Leeds, Sheffield, Spenborough, Todmorden and York Branches.  
*Chairman.*—Lady Lawson-Tancred, J.P., Aldborough Manor, Boroughbridge, Yorks.  
*Vice Chairman.*—Miss Frances Dale, 13, Apsley Crescent, Bradford.  
*Treasurer and Secretary.*—Mrs. Angelo Raine, 129, The Mount, York.

#### NORTH WESTERN.

*Comprising* Colwyn Bay, Liverpool and Birkenhead, Llangollen, Manchester, Oldham, Southport and Birkdale and Wrexham Branches.  
*Chairman.*—Miss Allington-Hughes, J.P., Bryn-y-Groes, \*Gresford, N. Wales.  
*Treasurer.*—Miss Lloyd Jones, Glanafon, Llangollen.  
*Secretary.*—Mrs. Claydon, 51, Frederick Street, Oldham.

#### SOUTH EASTERN.

*Comprising* Brighton and Hove, Bromley, Croydon, Eastbourne, Farnham, Hastings and St. Leonards, Maidstone, Portsmouth, Tunbridge Wells and Worthing Branches.  
*Chairman.*—Miss Milman, Roseland, Hampden Park, Eastbourne.  
*Treasurer & Secretary.*—Miss Norah Green, The Patch, Peacehaven, Sussex.

#### SOUTH WESTERN.

*Comprising* Andover, Bournemouth and East Dorset, Salisbury, and South Dorset Branches.  
*Chairman.*—Mrs. Lovibond, J.P., Windover House, St. Ann Street, Salisbury.  
*Treasurer and Secretary.*—Mrs. Meech, Wabey House, Upwey, Weymouth.

#### WESTERN.

*Comprising* Bath, Bristol, Cheltenham, Gloucester and Torquay Branches.  
*Chairman.*—Miss E. H. Smith, J.P., Richmond House, Clifton Hill, Bristol, 8.  
*Treasurer.*—Miss I. Stirling, 5, The Paragon, Clifton, Bristol, 8.  
*Secretary.*—Miss C. L. Morant, 16, York Gardens, Clifton, Bristol.

## SCOTTISH

### STANDING COMMITTEE.

*Comprising* Aberdeen, Dundee, Edinburgh and District, Glasgow, Greenock, North Ayrshire, Perth, and Stirling and District Branches.  
*Chairman.*—Miss H. M. Blair, 46, Ormidale Terrace, Edinburgh.  
*Treasurer.*—Miss Cadigan, C.A., Commercial Laboratory, High School Yards, Infirmary Street, Edinburgh, 1.  
*Secretary.*—Mrs. J. Martin 22, Great King Street, Edinburgh, 3.  
*Minute Secretary.*—Miss L. S. Macartney, N.C.W. Office, 114, West Campbell Street, Glasgow, C.2.

## BRANCH MEMBERS AND AFFILIATED SOCIETIES.

England, Scotland, and Wales.		Member-ship.	Local Societies.
Andover		72	9
Aylesbury		150	5
Bath		150	7
Bedford		131	—
Berkhamsted		238	9
Bilston		41	—
Birmingham		558	62
Bournemouth and East Dorset		206	14
Bradford		183	21
Bridlington		—	—
Brighton and Hove		100	19
Bristol		335	24
Bromley, Kent		170	26
Burton-on-Trent		112	3
Cambridge		233	28
Newmarket Sub-Branch		40	—
Carlisle		235	10
Cheltenham		153	16
Chesterfield		120	6
Chorley Wood		—	—
Coventry		50	8
Croydon		314	—
Derbyshire		147	5
Ealing		450	8
Eastbourne		215	10
Farnham		96	2
Gerrard's Cross		107	—
Gloucester		109	10
Halifax		104	6
Hampstead		49	3
Harpenden		117	8
Harrogate		211	19
Harrow		129	—
Hastings and St. Leonard's		329	20
Hornsey and District		153	15
Huddersfield		92	14
Hull		265	14
King's Lynn		100	—
Leeds		128	26
Leicester		280	12
Lincoln		216	14
Liverpool and Birkenhead		116	—
London		268	22
Maidstone		214	1
Malvern		120	8
Manchester and Salford		266	60
Mansfield		46	4
Middlesbrough and Cleveland		60	—
Mortlake with East Sheen		—	—
Newark, Southwell and District		104	—
Norfolk and Norwich		423	15
North Staffordshire		118	2
Carried forward		8,623	565

	Member-ship.	Local Societies.
Brought forward	8,623	565
Northumberland, Newcastle, etc.	213	32
Nottingham and Notts.	382	28
Oldham	200	3
Peterborough	105	20
Portsmouth	165	45
Richmond	205	77
Ruislip	200	3
St. Albans	434	19
Salisbury	119	—
Sheffield	251	33
South Dorset	108	1
Southport and Birkdale	120	21
Spensborough	167	14
Stockton and Thornaby	128	2
Todmorden	40	—
Torquay	130	—
Tunbridge Wells	151	7
Uxbridge	40	—
Watford	240	—
Wolverhampton	320	10
Worthing	222	8
York	114	16
<b>Scotland.</b>		
Aberdeen	199	26
Dundee	100	10
Edinburgh	377	55
Glasgow	293	58
Greenock	331	26
North Ayrshire	42	1
Perth	112	14
Stirling and District	226	8
<b>Wales.</b>		
Bangor	119	2
Colwyn Bay	103	2
Llangollen	100	5
Wrexham	120	15
83 Branches having total membership of	* 13,101	1,054

\*The above figures cannot be taken as final as certain branch returns were incomplete.

## LIST OF AFFILIATED SOCIETIES.

	Rep. on Rep. Cncl.
Abortion Law Reform Association, 3rd Floor, 5, Victoria Street, S.W.1 . . . . .	1
Alexandra College, Dublin . . . . .	1
Alexandra College Guild, Dublin . . . . .	2
Alliance of Honour, 112, City Road, E.C.1 . . . . .	2
Anglican Group for the Ordination of Women to the Historic Ministry of the Church, 26, Greycoat Gardens, S.W.1 . . . . .	1
Animals' Welfare, National Council for, 1, Featherstone Buildings, High Holborn, W.C.1 . . . . .	1
Assistant Mistresses in Public Secondary Schools, Incorporated Association of, 29, Gordon Square, W.C.1 . . . . .	2
Association for Moral and Social Hygiene, Livingstone House, Broadway, S.W.1 . . . . .	2
Beckenham Women Citizens' Association, Homewood, Copse Avenue, West Wickham, Kent . . . . .	1
Bedford College for Women, Regent's Park, N.W.1 . . . . .	1
British Camp Fire Girls, 50, Pall Mall, S.W.1 . . . . .	1
British College of Nurses, 39, Portland Place, W.1 . . . . .	1
British Dental Association, 13, Hill Street, Berkeley Square, W.1 . . . . .	1
British Social Hygiene Council, Tavistock House, Tavistock Square, W.C.1 . . . . .	2
British Women's Hospitality Committee, 3, Hay Hill, Berkeley Square, W.1 . . . . .	1
Brotherhood Movement Inc., (Sisterhood Section), 37, Norfolk Street, W.C.2 . . . . .	2
Canning Town Women's Settlement, Settlement House, Cumberland Road, Plaistow, E.13 . . . . .	1
Charity Organisation Society, Denison House, 296, Vauxhall Bridge Road, S.W.1 . . . . .	2
Child Guidance Council, Woburn House, Upper Woburn Place, W.C.1 . . . . .	1
Child Psychology, Institute of, The Children's Centre, Institute of Child Psychology, 6, Pembridge Villas, W.11 . . . . .	1
Chiropodists, Incorporated Society of, 21, Cavendish Square, W.1 . . . . .	1
Church Army (Women's Social Work Dept.), 55, Bryanston Street, W.1 . . . . .	4
Church of England Moral Welfare Council, 36, Victoria St., S.W.1 . . . . .	2
Church of England Temperance Society (Women's Union), 40, Marsham Street, S.W.1 . . . . .	2
Church of Scotland Women's Guild, 121, George Street, Edinburgh . . . . .	2
College Hall (University of London), Malet Street, W.C.1 . . . . .	1
Colonial and Continental Church Society (Ladies' Association), 9, Sargeant's Inn, Fleet Street, E.C.4 . . . . .	1
Conservative and Unionist Associations, National Union of, Central Women's Advisory Committee, Palace Chambers, S.W.1 . . . . .	2
Conservative Women's Reform Association, 10, Crooked Usage, Finchley, N.3 . . . . .	1
County and County Borough Hospital Matrons' Association, St. Andrew's Hospital, Devons Road, Bow, E.3 . . . . .	1
Day Nurseries, National Society of, 117, Piccadilly, W.1 . . . . .	1
Devon Council of Women, Felixwell, St. Thomas, Exeter . . . . .	1
Divine Compassion, Order of, St. Agnes House, Windsor Terrace, Hampstead . . . . .	1
Electrical Association for Women, 20, Lower Regent Street, W.1 . . . . .	2
Employment of Women, Central Bureau for the, 54, Russell Square, W.C.1 . . . . .	1
Epileptics, National Society for, Denison House, Vauxhall Bridge Road, S.W.1 . . . . .	1
Equal Citizenship, National Council for, Flat 5, 72, Horseferry Road, S.W.1 . . . . .	2
Eugenics Society, 69, Eccleston Square, S.W.1 . . . . .	1
Exeter Diocesan Deaconess Institution, The Chantry, Exeter . . . . .	1
Factory Girls' Country Holiday Fund, 75, Lambs Conduit Street, W.C.1 . . . . .	1

Food Education Society, 29, Gordon Square, W.C.1 . . . . .	1
Girls' Clubs, National Council of, Hamilton House, Bidborough Street, W.C.1 . . . . .	4
Girls' Friendly Society (Central Council) Townsend House, Grey Coat Place, S.W.1 . . . . .	4
Girls' Friendly Society (Scotland), 19, Rutland Square, Edinburgh . . . . .	1
Girl Guides Association, 17-19, Buckingham Palace Road, S.W.1 . . . . .	4
Girls' Guildry, 4, Burnban Terrace, Glasgow, N. W. . . . .	2
Girls' Life Brigade, Inc., 56, Old Bailey, E.C.4 . . . . .	1
Greyladies' College for Women Church Workers, Dartmouth Road, Greenwich, S.E.10 . . . . .	1
Head Mistresses, Association of, 29, Gordon Square, W.C.1 . . . . .	2
Home and School Council of Great Britain, 15, Endsleigh Street, W.C.1 . . . . .	1
House of Education Teachers' and Old Students' Association, 42, St. Petersburg Place, W.2 . . . . .	1
Howard League for Penal Reform, Parliament Mansions, Victoria Street, S.W.1 . . . . .	2
Independent Schools Association, Incorporated, St. Hilda's School, Moseley, Birmingham . . . . .	1
Industrial Christian Fellowship, 4, The Sanctuary, Westminster, S.W.1 . . . . .	2
Industrial Psychology, National Institute of, (Women's Committee) Aldwych House, W.C.2 . . . . .	1
International League for the Protection of Horses, 4 Bloomsbury Sq., W.C.1 . . . . .	1
Invalid Children's Aid Association, 117, Piccadilly, W.1 . . . . .	2
Jewish Association for the Protection of Girls, Women and Children, 45, Great Prescott Street, Aldgate, E.1 . . . . .	2
Jewish Women, Union of, Woburn House, 4th Floor, Upper Woburn Place, W.C.1 . . . . .	1
Liberal National Council (Women's Division), 3, Central Buildings, S.W.1 . . . . .	1
Ling Physical Education Association, Hamilton House, Bidborough Street, W.C.1 . . . . .	1
Mabys Association for the Care of Young Girls, Denison House, 296, Vauxhall Bridge Road, S.W.1 . . . . .	1
Massage and Medical Gymnastics, Chartered Society of, Tavistock House (North), Tavistock Square, W.C.1 . . . . .	2
Maternity and Child Welfare, National Council for, Carnegie House, 117, Piccadilly, W.1 . . . . .	2
Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland, Beechey Cottage, Vale of Health, N.W.3 . . . . .	1
Mayfair Union, 164, Ashley Gardens, S.W.1 . . . . .	1
Mental After-Care Association of the Recovered Insane, Room 354, Grand Buildings, Trafalgar Square, W.C.2 . . . . .	1
Mental Hygiene, National Council for, 76-77, Chandos House, Palmer Street, S.W.1 . . . . .	1
Mental Welfare, Central Association for, 24, Buckingham Palace Road, S.W.1 . . . . .	2
Midwives' Institute and Trained Nurses Club, 57, Lower Belgrave Street, S.W.1 . . . . .	1
Ministry of Women, Society for the, Floor 5, 103, Kingsway, W.C.2 . . . . .	2
Mothercraft Training Society, Cromwell House, Highgate, N.6 . . . . .	1
National Adult School Union, (Women's Dept.), 30, Bloomsbury Street, W.C.1 . . . . .	2
National British Women's Total Abstinence Union, Rosalind Carlisle House, 104, Gower Street, W.C.1 . . . . .	4
National Children Adoption Association, 71, Knightsbridge, S.W.1 . . . . .	1
National Free Church Women's Council, 27, Tavistock Square, W.C.1 . . . . .	2
National Smoke Abatement Society, Chandos House, 64, Buckingham Gate, S.W.1 . . . . .	1
National Sunday School Union, Sherstone, Blyth Road, Bromley, Kent . . . . .	2
National Vigilance Association, 3-4, Old Pye Street, Westminster, S.W.1 . . . . .	1
National Spinsters Pensions Association, 21, Scholemoor Lane, Lidget Green, Bradford . . . . .	1

National Women Citizens' Associations, 155, Denmark Hill, S.E.5 . . . . .	3
Newport Women Citizens' Association, 39, Westgate Chambers, Newport, Mon. . . . .	1
Nursery School Association of Great Britain, 8, Endsleigh Gardens, W.C.1. . . . .	1
Nurses, National Council of, 19, Queen's Gate, S.W.7. . . . .	4
Nursing, Royal College of, Inc., Henrietta Place, Cavendish Square, W.1. . . . .	4
Open Door Council, 97c, Church Street, Kensington, W.8. . . . .	2
Our Dumb Friends' League, Grosvenor Gardens House, Victoria, S.W.1. . . . .	1
Over Thirty Association, 224A, Shaftesbury Avenue, W.C.2. . . . .	1
Oxford Diocesan Council for Moral Welfare, c/o Diocesan Church House, 88, St. Aldate's, Oxford. . . . .	1
Parents' National Educational Union, 26, Victoria Street, S.W.1 . . . . .	2
Pedestrians' Association, Graham House, 3, Tudor Street, E.C.4 . . . . .	2
People's League of Health, 12, Stratford Place, W.1. . . . .	1
Performing and Captive Animals' Defence League, 17, Buckingham Street, Adelphi, W.C.2 . . . . .	1
Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Royal Society for, 105, Jermyn Street, S.W.1 . . . . .	2
Prevention of Cruelty to Children, National Society for the, Victory House, Leicester Square, W.C.2 . . . . .	2
Public Morality Council, 37, Norfolk Street, Strand, W.C.2 . . . . .	2
Ranyard Mission, Ranyard House, 25, Russell Square, W.C.1 . . . . .	1
Reigate and Redhill Women Citizens' Association, Green Loaning, The Chase, Reigate, Surrey . . . . .	1
Representative Managers of London Elementary Schools, 19, Onslow Gardens, N.10 . . . . .	1
Salisbury Diocesan Association for Moral and Spiritual Welfare, Bishopstone Rectory, Salisbury . . . . .	1
Salvation Army, (Women's International Department) International Headquarters, 101, Queen Victoria Street, E.C.4 . . . . .	4
Save the Children Fund, 40, Gordon Street, Gordon Square, W.C.1 . . . . .	1
Scottish Council of Women Citizens' Associations, Bothgowan, Falkirk. . . . .	1
Scottish Matrons' Association, City Hospital, Comiston Road, Edinburgh . . . . .	1
Social Guild (Nottingham) 7, Castle Street, Nottingham . . . . .	1
Southwark Diocesan Association for Moral Welfare, 125, Kennington Road, S.E.11 . . . . .	1
Streatham Women's Local Government and Citizens' Association, 20, Christchurch Road, S.W.2 . . . . .	2
Student Christian Movement, Annandale, North End Road, Golders Green, N.W.11 . . . . .	2
Sutton Coldfield Women Citizens' Association, Coppice End, Chester Road Sutton Coldfield . . . . .	1
Teachers, National Union of, Hamilton House, Mabledon Place, W.C.1 . . . . .	3
Teachers of Domestic Subjects, Association of, 29-30, Gordon Square, W.C.1 . . . . .	2
Teddington and the Hamptons Women Citizens' Association, 40, Gloucester Road, Teddington . . . . .	1
Temperance Legislation League (Women's Section), Parliament Mansions, Victoria Street, S.W.1 . . . . .	1
Training of Women, Society for Promoting the, 251, Brompton Road, S.W.3 . . . . .	1
University Women, British Federation of, Crosby Hall, Cheyne Walk, S.W.3 . . . . .	3
University Women's Camps for School Girls, Federation of, 35, Wellington Street, Strand, W.C.2. . . . .	1
University of London Animal Welfare Society, 29, Gordon Square, W.C.1 . . . . .	1
Unmarried Mother and Her Child, National Council for the, Carnegie House, 117, Piccadilly, W.1 . . . . .	1
Wage Earning Children, Committee on, 112, Old Brompton Road, S.W.7 . . . . .	1
Westfield College, Finchley Road, N.W.3 . . . . .	1
West London Mission, Kingsway Hall, W.C.2 . . . . .	1
Winchester Women Citizens' Association, 15, Park Road, Winchester . . . . .	1
Wives' Fellowship, Hurstpierpoint College, Hassocks, Sussex . . . . .	1
Women Housing Managers, Society of, 13, Suffolk Street, Pall Mall, S.W.1 . . . . .	2

Women Pharmacists, National Association of, Dispensary, Lewisham Hospital, S.E.13 . . . . .	1
Women Public Health Officers' Association, 7, Victoria Street, S.W.1 . . . . .	1
Women's Employment Federation, 31, Marsham Street, S.W.1 . . . . .	2
Women's Engineering Society, 20, Lower Regent Street, Piccadilly Circus, W.1 . . . . .	1
Women's Farm and Garden Association, Byng Place, Torrington Square, W.C.1. . . . .	1
Women's Freedom League, 144, High Holborn, W.C.1 . . . . .	2
Women's Gas Council, 1, Grosvenor Place, S.W.1 . . . . .	2
Women's League of Health and Beauty, The Mortimer Halls, 43, Great Portland Street, W.1. . . . .	1
Women's Liberal Federation, 42, Parliament Street, S.W.1 . . . . .	2
Women's Service, London and National Society for, 29, Marsham Street, S.W.1 . . . . .	2
Yorkshire Ladies' Council of Education, 18, Blenheim Terrace, Woodhouse Lane, Leeds . . . . .	1
Young Women's Christian Association (British National Council), Y.W.C.A. Central Building, 4th Floor, Great Russell Street, W.C.1 . . . . .	4
Young Women's Christian Association of Scotland, 14, Melville Street, Edinburgh . . . . .	1

Total: 137 Affiliated Societies.



# AMENDED CONSTITUTION.

(OCTOBER, 1937.)

## ARTICLE I.

### NAME AND PREAMBLE.

1. This Council shall be called "THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF GREAT BRITAIN."
2. This Council is established in the interests of no one particular social, political or religious organisation. It has no power over the organisations which enter into affiliation with it.

## ARTICLE II.

### OBJECTS.

1. To promote sympathy of thought and purpose among the women of Great Britain.
2. To promote the social, civil, moral and religious welfare of the community.
3. To co-ordinate, both nationally and locally, organisations in harmony with these purposes.
4. To promote such conditions of life as will assure to every child an opportunity for full and free development.
5. To work for the removal of all disabilities of women, whether legal, economic or social.
6. To collect and re-distribute information of service to the community.
7. To form a link with the National Councils of Women in other countries through the International Council of Women.

## ARTICLE III.

### METHODS OF WORK.

The methods of work shall include :

1. Forming of Branches. (cf. Article IV, 1.)
2. Affiliating all organisations whose work is in harmony with the objects of the National Council. (cf. Article IV, 3.)
3. Forming standing Sectional Committees and Special Committees as may be required. (cf. Articles IX, X, and XVII.)
4. Convening conferences and meetings and conducting enquiries.
5. Submitting to the Government and to Parliament recommendations for the amendment of the law and its administration.
6. Representing the need for national and local reforms to the proper authorities.

## ARTICLE IV.

### MEMBERSHIP.

The members shall be women who are :

1. Members of the Branches who shall be deemed Subscribing Members.
2. Headquarters Subscribers who shall be deemed Subscribing Members.
3. Members of the Affiliated Societies.

All members are eligible to hold office as Honorary Officers of the Council, and as members of the Executive Committee, provided that they shall have subscribed to the funds of the National Council of Women for at least one year.

All members are eligible to hold office as Honorary Officers of Sectional Committees and as representatives of those Committees to the Representative Council meeting, provided that they are subscribers to the funds of the Council, or will become so on their appointment.

## (1) BRANCHES.

(a) The Branches consist of affiliated local societies and organisations and of individual members. They promote the work and objects of the National Council as local circumstances enable them to do.

(b) Branches shall pay an annual subscription to Headquarters of £5, and 25 per cent. of their ordinary membership subscriptions. The £5 shall not be compulsory until the third year after the formation of the Branch and the Central Executive Committee shall have power to remit the payment of £5 should the circumstances of a Branch require special consideration at any time.

Those Branches of the National Council of Women which have not paid their annual fee of £5 for two years shall have their representation on the Representative Council reduced, and notice of this shall be given at the close of the first year.

## (2) HEADQUARTERS SUBSCRIBERS.

(i) The Headquarters subscribers of the National Council of Women are women who subscribe not less than 5/- annually to the Central Funds.

(ii) Subscribers of one guinea or more shall receive the official magazine free.

(iii) A copy of the Annual Report and Balance Sheet shall be sent to all Headquarters subscribers.

(iv) Headquarters subscribers residing outside the area covered by ordinary membership of a Branch shall have the right to Honorary membership of their nearest branch.

## (3) AFFILIATED SOCIETIES.

(a) Affiliated Societies shall be such as are nationally organised and are accepted by the Executive Committee of the Council by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting at the meeting at which the application is considered, the constitution of such societies to be in conformity with that of the National Council of Women.

(b) Each Affiliated Society is entitled to appoint one representative on the Representative Council but this representation may be increased, upon application being made by the affiliating society to a number not exceeding six at the discretion of the Executive Committee, which shall revise the list annually.

(c) Affiliated Societies shall pay an annual subscription to the Central Funds of not less than £1 1s. 0d. (as from 1912). Should they be entitled to appoint more than four members of Council an additional sum of 5/- is due on account of each additional member so appointed to the Representative Council. Any Society which has not paid its subscription before the Annual Council Meeting shall after due notice cease to be affiliated.

(d) Affiliated Societies shall each receive through their secretaries notice of all meetings of the Representative Council, a free copy of the HANDBOOK and of WOMEN IN COUNCIL.

## ARTICLE V.

### THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL.

1. The Governing Body of the National Council of Women shall be called the Representative Council.

2. The Representative Council shall consist of :

(a) The Executive Committee. (Article XIII, 3).

(b) The Honorary Vice-Presidents.

(c) Representatives of the Branches. (Article XIII, 1).

(d) Representatives of the Affiliated Societies. (Article XIII, 2.)

(e) Representatives of the Sectional Committees. (Article XIII, 4.)

**ARTICLE VI.**  
**HONORARY OFFICERS.**

1. The Officers of the National Council shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, and a Parliamentary Secretary; they shall be elected by postal ballot by the Representative Council, and shall retire annually but be eligible for re-election.

The term of office of President or Vice-President shall not in any case exceed three years without an interval of one or more years.

2. The President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer and Parliamentary Secretary shall be *ex-officio* members of all Sectional and other Committees.

3. The President shall preside over the meetings of the Representative Council and the Executive Committee. Should she be unable to attend, one of the Vice-Presidents shall take her place, and act on behalf of the President whenever necessary.

4. The Treasurer shall preside over the meetings of the Finance Committee and in co-operation with it shall organise the collection and supervise the expenditure of the funds of the Council.

5. The Parliamentary Secretary, in co-operation with the Parliamentary and Legislation Committee, shall conduct the parliamentary business. She shall not act in a similar capacity for any other organisation.

6. The Advisory Committee shall consist of the Officers of the Council and Chairmen of Sectional Committees and the Convener of the Scottish Standing Committee.

**ARTICLE VII.**  
**HONORARY VICE-PRESIDENTS.**

Past Presidents shall be Honorary Vice-Presidents, and shall serve as *ex-officio* Members of the Executive Committee provided they attend at least two meetings during the Council's year.

The founders of the National Union of Women Workers, the President and ex-Presidents of the International Council of Women, and any other women elected by the Representative Council shall be also honorary Vice-Presidents. These Vice-Presidents must be members of the National Council of Women at the time of their appointment.

**ARTICLE VIII.**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.**

1. The Executive Committee shall carry out the policy and transact the business of the Council.

2. The Executive Committee shall consist of:

(a) The President, Honorary Vice-Presidents (cf. Article VII), and the Officers.

(b) Twenty-four members nominated by Branches of the Council and Members of the Executive Committee, and elected by them by a postal ballot the result to be announced at the annual meeting; of these twenty-four at least four shall be resident in Scotland and one in Wales. Members shall remain in office for two years: twelve shall retire annually but be eligible for re-election provided that they shall have attended at least four meetings in each year. The required number of attendances to be registered at the September meeting.

The Executive Committee may at its discretion grant special leave of absence; this, if necessary, being granted at the September meeting.

(c) (i) There shall be in operation a pool for travelling fares to facilitate the attendance of one delegate from each branch so entitled at one meeting of the Executive in each council year.

(ii) Such branches as are not yet entitled to appoint a representative on

the Executive shall be invited by the President to send a visitor, and their fare shall be paid out of the Travelling Pool.

(iii) Each branch shall pay into the Pool for one representative—30s.

(d) One member elected by each Branch having a direct membership of 100 and over.

(e) One member elected by each Regional Committee of the Branches.

(f) One member elected by the Scottish Standing Committee.

A proxy may be elected by any Branch, Regional Committee and the Scottish Standing Committee to hold office for the same period as the elected representative with power to attend and vote on receiving notification from the representative of her unavoidable absence.

(g) Sixteen members nominated by the Affiliated Societies, and elected by a postal ballot by the Affiliated Societies, the result to be announced at the Annual Meeting. Members remain in office for one year and are eligible for re-election, provided they have attended at least four meetings in the year. The required number of attendances to be registered at the September meeting.

The Executive may, at its discretion, grant special leave of absence; this, if necessary, being granted at the September meeting.

(h) The Chairmen, and the Honorary Secretaries of the Sectional and Special Committees *ex-officio* provided that they have held office for not less than one year.

Ex-officio members shall not stand for election to the Executive Committee.

(i) The Honorary Secretary for Regional Committees.

(j) Two members co-opted to represent the local Committee of the place where the Annual Representative Council Meeting is to be held.

(k) Women Members of Parliament who, during their tenure of office, may be elected as Honorary Members of Executive.

3. The newly elected Executive Committee shall hold office for one year from the October following its election.

**ARTICLE IX.**  
**FINANCE.**

1. The Honorary Treasurer in co-operation with the Finance Committee shall transact the financial business and administer the finances of the Council, subject to the approval of the Executive.

2. The Finance Committee shall consist of:

(a) The Officers.

(b) Six representatives elected by the Executive.

(c) Four representatives elected by the Regional and Branch Representatives Sectional Committee.

(d) One representative of the Scottish Standing Committee.

3. The Committee shall have power to co-opt not more than two members.

4. Cheques shall be signed by the Treasurer, or in her absence by the President.

5. Members of the Finance Committee shall hold office for one year from the date of their election, which shall take place in the following manner:—

(a) The six representatives of the Executive Committee shall be elected at the September meeting of the Executive Committee.

(b) The four members elected by the Regional and Branch Representatives Sectional Committee and the representative of the Scottish Standing Committee shall have their election confirmed at the September meeting of the Executive Committee.

6. The financial year of the National Council of Women shall date from August 1st to July 31st.

7. The Finance Committee shall have power to appoint an Honorary Financial Adviser subject to the approval of the Executive.

## ARTICLE X.

### CONSTITUTION OF SECTIONAL COMMITTEES

Sectional Committees to further special branches of work, shall be set up either at the decision of the Executive Committee or when requested by six Affiliated Societies and agreed by the Executive Committee. They shall hold office for one year until their reappointment by the new Executive Committee.

In the formation of a new Sectional Committee the Executive Committee shall appoint a provisional chairman.

1. **Constitution.** Each Sectional Committee shall consist of:

(a) One representative from each nationally organised Society affiliated to the N.C.W. which by reason of its objects is concerned with the subject with which the Sectional Committee deals.

(b) One representative from each Branch and Regional Committee of the National Council of Women.

(c) One representative from each of such Sectional Committees as desire representation.

(d) The honorary officers of the National Council of Women.

(e) Not more than eight members co-opted by the Committee, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

(f) Each Sectional Committee shall elect yearly from among its own members a Chairman and an Honorary Secretary who shall hold office for one year from the October following their election.

(g) The elected members of the Executive Committee and the chairmen and honorary secretaries of Sectional Committees who are members of the Executive shall have the right to attend meetings of Sectional Committees without power to vote.

(h) The International Council of Women Sectional Committee shall have all its *ex-officio* Chairman the President for the time being of the National Council of Women.

The International Council of Women Sectional Committee shall have as *ex-officio* members the representatives of the National Council of Women of Great Britain upon the Standing Committees of the International Council of Women and any officer of the International Council of Women resident in Great Britain and the delegates and proxies elected to the International Council of Women Triennial Meeting.

(i) The Public Service Committee shall in addition to its appointed members consist of women engaged in public work. The Education and Housing Sectional Committees shall, in addition to the appointed members, consist of women members of Education and Housing Committees of Local Authorities.

2. **Public Action.** A Sectional Committee may take public action in its own name if it has obtained the consent of the Executive Committee. In cases of urgency, where the Sectional Committee has the support of two-thirds of the members present and voting upon a motion of which notice has been given, it may take public action if it has obtained the consent of the President.

## ARTICLE XI.

### REGIONAL COMMITTEES

1. Regional Committees shall exist to promote solidarity by keeping Branches within a prescribed area in close touch with each other and with the work at Headquarters.

To survey areas, and endeavour to form and strengthen the Branches, and thus to further the work of the National Council of Women.

2. Each Regional Committee shall have the right to elect a member to serve on the Executive Committee. Such representative shall hold office for one year but be eligible for re-election.

3. The Chairman and Honorary Secretary of each Regional Committee, and their duly appointed proxies, shall serve on the Regional and Branch Representatives Sectional Committee.

4. The Honorary Secretary for Regional Committees shall be *ex-officio* a member of the Executive, the Regional and Branch Representatives Sectional and the Regional Committees with power to vote.

5. The Hon. Secretary for Regional Committees shall be nominated and elected by members of the Regional and Branch Representatives Sectional Committee.

## ARTICLE XII.

### SCOTTISH STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Scottish Standing Committee exists

to co-ordinate the work of the Scottish Branches, and of the Scottish nationally organised Associated Societies;

to bring to the notice of the National Council matters which affect Scotland.

to make representation on matters of Scottish import to the Government offices and other national bodies in Scotland.

to consider how business originated in the National Council meets Scottish needs, and how it can be applied to Scottish conditions and Scots Law, and

to transact all business appertaining to a Regional Committee (cf. Article XI).

## ARTICLE XIII.

### BASIS OF REPRESENTATION UPON THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL.

1. Branches shall be represented in the proportion of one representative for every five of their local affiliated Societies, and of one representative for the first twenty-five and one representative for every succeeding fifty of their subscribing members.

2. Affiliated Societies shall be represented in proportion to their national importance and membership. Each Affiliated Society is entitled to one representative on the Representative Council, but this number may be increased upon application at the discretion of the Executive Committee, which shall revise the list annually. No Society shall have more than six representatives.

3. The members of the Executive Committee shall be *ex-officio* members of the Representative Council.

4. Sectional and Special Committees shall each be represented by two of their members, who shall be subscribing members of the National Council.

The period for which representatives are appointed shall be from one Annual Council Meeting to the next. In the event of any of the representatives resigning during the year, the societies may appoint others in their place, but no representatives can be accepted unless their appointment is notified to the Secretary of the Council not less than a fortnight before the meeting of the Representative Council.

## ARTICLE XIV.

### NOMINATIONS.

1. Branches of the Council and members of the Executive Committee have the right to nominate candidates for election as Officers and/or as members of the Executive Committee (24 seats). No nationally elected member shall serve on the Executive Committee in more than one capacity. Upon any elected member of the Executive becoming an Honorary Officer or otherwise an *ex-officio* member of the Committee the next candidate in order of ballot shall be declared elected.

No one shall be eligible for election who has not been a Subscribing Member of the National Council for at least one year. In the case of officers, and of members of the Executive Committee who are due to retire under Article VIII.2 (b) and (g) the General Secretary shall ascertain whether or not they are willing to serve for a further period and shall circulate the information with the nomination papers.

In the case of new nominees, written consent of the nominee shall be obtained by the nominators and supplied to the General Secretary. New nominees must have the support of three nominators.

Nomination papers giving the attendance of Executive Committee members during their two years of office shall be sent to the Secretaries of Branches, and to members of the Executive at least two months before the Annual Representative Council Meeting, and shall be returned within five weeks of their receipt to the General Secretary.

2. The election of officers shall be by a postal ballot among the Branches of the Council, the Affiliated Societies and the members of the Executive Committee.

The election of the 24 members of the Executive Committee shall be by a postal ballot among the Branches of the Council and the members of the Executive Committee, the Branches in each respect to have such number of votes as the number of members of the Representative Council to which they are entitled.

3. The Affiliated Societies have the right to nominate candidates for election as Honorary Officers of the Council and also candidates for election to the 16 seats on the Executive Committee allocated to representatives of Affiliated Societies.

4. The election of the 16 representatives of the Affiliated Societies shall be by a postal ballot among the Affiliated Societies, the result to be announced at the Annual Meeting. Each Affiliated Society shall have the right to the number of votes to correspond with the number of members of the Representative Council to which it is entitled.

5. The General Secretary shall forward to each Secretary of a Branch and to each member of the Executive Committee with the ballot paper one month prior to the Annual Meeting a complete list of the names and addresses of all nominees for election to the Executive Committee with the names of three nominators in the case of new nominees. This list shall also be sent for information only to each Secretary of an Affiliated Society.

6. The Branch shall exercise its right to nominate and ballot either through its Executive or through a General Meeting.

In the case of the ballot each Branch shall have such number of votes as the number of members of the Representative Council to which it is entitled.

## ARTICLE XV. MEETINGS

### (1) THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL.

(a) The Representative Council shall hold an Annual Meeting at a time and place to be arranged by the Executive Committee to receive reports, transact business and to receive the result of the postal ballot for the Executive Committee.

(b) A Special Meeting of the Representative Council may be summoned by the Executive Committee, and shall be summoned by the President on the requisition of eight Branches and eight Affiliated Societies.

(c) One-third of the Registered Members of the Council shall form a quorum, such members are those whose names have been listed at a fixed date at the Headquarters Office.

### (2) THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

(a) The Executive Committee shall meet at least 10 (ten) times each year, not more than two months to elapse without a meeting.

(b) Twenty-one shall form a quorum.

(c) No resolution from the Executive shall be forwarded to a Government Department unless there are at least 40 (forty) members present when the vote is taken.

### (3) FINANCE COMMITTEE.

(a) The Finance Committee shall meet at least 10 (ten) times each year, not more than two months to elapse without a meeting.

(b) Five members shall form a quorum.

### (4) SECTIONAL COMMITTEES.

(a) The Sectional Committees shall meet at least 3 (three) times a year, before the meetings of the Executive Committee.

(b) Each Committee shall fix its own quorum, which shall not be less than seven.

## ARTICLE XVI. RESOLUTIONS.

1. Resolutions passed by the Representative Council shall decide the policy of the Council until reversed or modified at a further meeting of the Council. Any members of Council shall have the right to require that the voting strength for and against be appended to the resolutions for all purposes of publication and use, e.g., in the public press and in communications to public departments and authorities.

2. Resolutions for the Representative Council shall be sent to the Secretary at a date to be fixed by the Executive Committee and circulated on the Preliminary List to each Branch, Affiliated Society, the Scottish Standing Committee and the Executive, which shall select from the list the ten resolutions they prefer. They shall notify the General Secretary of the N.C.W. of the ten resolutions thus chosen.

The ten resolutions receiving the highest total number of votes from Branches, Societies, the Scottish Standing Committee and the Executive shall be printed on the Preliminary Agenda Paper.

3. The following shall have the power to forward resolutions for inclusion in the Preliminary List.

- (i) The Executive Committee.
- (ii) The Branches.
- (iii) The Affiliated Societies.
- (iv) The Scottish Standing Committee.

Only one resolution may be sent in by any one Branch, Society, or by the Scottish Standing Committee.

4. The Executive Committee shall have power to place resolutions upon the agenda in addition to the ten selected.

5. Each Member of the Representative Council, each Secretary of a Branch, Affiliated Society, the Scottish Standing Committee, and of each Sectional Committee, shall receive not less than five weeks before a meeting of the Representative Council, a copy of the Preliminary Agenda, provided that in the case of Special Meetings the Executive Committee, if there be urgency, may reduce the notice to not less than ten days.

6. A Branch, Affiliated Society or the Scottish Standing Committee desiring to place in its name on the Council's Final Agenda any amendment to the resolutions, shall send a copy of such amendment to the Secretary in time to be received by her not less than four weeks before the Council Meeting. All such amendments shall be placed on the Council's Agenda. The Executive Committee shall have power to place amendments on the Final Agenda.

7. The **Final Agenda** shall be circulated to each member of the Representative Council, Secretary of a Branch, Affiliated Society and the Scottish Standing Committee, not less than fourteen days before the meeting of the Representative Council.

8. Urgency business must be sanctioned by the Executive Committee and must have the support of two-thirds of the members present at the Committee Meeting and voting. "Urgency" is interpreted as implying some important matter which has arisen since the date by which resolutions for the Council's agenda had to be received at the office, and which could not therefore have been dealt with in the ordinary way.

9. No matter shall be discussed at any meeting of the Representative Council which has not been included upon the agenda, unless specially sanctioned as urgency business.

10. A resolution to be carried by the Representative Council, must be passed by two-thirds of the members present and voting.

11. Branches and Affiliated Societies shall not be considered responsible for the opinions of the Representative Council as expressed by resolution, unless and until they have themselves affirmed at a meeting the resolution passed by the Council. When resolutions passed by the Representative Council are published, a statement of the non-participation of any Branch or Society must be inserted.

#### ARTICLE XVII.

##### SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

Special Committees shall be set up by the Executive Committee as required.

#### ARTICLE XVIII.

The Executive Committee is empowered to give indemnity to any member or members in respect of any act done or liability assumed on behalf of the National Council of Women of Great Britain.

#### ARTICLE XIX.

##### ALTERATION OF THE CONSTITUTION.

This constitution shall only be altered at the Annual Meeting of the Representative Council by an amendment to be carried by two-thirds of the members present and voting. Notice of any proposed alteration shall be sent in writing to the Executive Committee at such date previous to the Council Meeting as may be determined by the Executive Committee, and shall be printed and circulated to the members of the Representative Council.

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### STANDING ORDERS.

*(Taken from the Constitution).*

#### I. STANDING ORDERS FOR THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL.

1. The Representative Council shall not transact business unless one-third of the Registered members of the Representative Council are present.

2. Members of the Representative Council and Secretaries of Branches, Affiliated Societies and Sectional Committees shall receive notices, agenda and all papers relating to the business of the Representative Council.

3. Meetings of the Representative Council shall be open to the press unless the Council shall otherwise resolve.

4. Members desiring to speak shall send up their names, speak from the platform, and address the Chair. Short questions may be asked or points of order raised from the body of the meeting.

5. The ruling of the Chair, on a point of order, on the advisability of a personal explanation, or on the time limit, shall be final and shall not be open to discussion.

6. Amendments to resolutions may be moved at the meeting, provided that they do not determine questions outside the subject matter of the resolutions and that they arise out of the discussions at the Council and could not therefore have been previously circulated to the Branches, as specified in Sections 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Article XVI.

7. An amendment may be moved :

(1) To leave out words.

(2) To leave out words and substitute or add others.

(3) To insert or add words.

8. Every amendment shall be in writing, signed by the mover, and handed to the Chair.

9. No member shall, without permission from the Chair, address the Council more than once on any resolution or amendment ; the mover of an original motion may, however, reply, but she shall confine herself to answering the previous speakers and shall not introduce any new matter into the debate. After the reply, the question shall be put forthwith. The right of reply shall not extend to the mover of an amendment, which having been carried, has become the substantive resolution.

10. Any member desiring that discussion of a subject shall cease shall move : 'That the question be now put.' This shall be seconded without discussion and put to the meeting by the Chairman. If carried, the resolution under discussion will then immediately be put to the meeting, the Chairman may ask leave of the Council for the mover to be allowed the right to reply.

11. Any member of the Representative Council desiring that the discussion be adjourned shall have power to move that the Council proceed to the next business. This proposal to be effective must be carried by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting.

12. Any member, whether she has spoken on the matter or not, may rise to a point of order, to ask a question, or in explanation ; such explanation shall be confined to some material part of her former speech, which may have been misunderstood. A member so rising shall be entitled to be heard forthwith.

13. Any member of the Representative Council shall have power to move at the Council Meeting that the order of the resolutions be altered.

14. A resolution or amendment may be withdrawn by the mover with the consent of the seconder and of the meeting, which shall be signified without debate ; and it shall not be competent for any member to speak upon it after the mover has asked permission for its withdrawal unless such permission shall have been refused.

15. A member who has formally seconded an amendment can speak to it at a later stage.

16. Whenever an amendment upon an original motion has been moved and seconded, no second or subsequent amendment shall be moved until the first amendment shall have been disposed of, but any speaker to the amendment may give notice of a further amendment which she will move when the other shall have been disposed of. If an amendment be carried, the motion as amended shall become the substantive resolution, upon which any further amendment shall be moved.

17. A resolution to be carried by the Representative Council must be passed by two-thirds of the members present and voting.

18. The vote shall in the first place be taken by a show of voting cards or by members standing. A minority may demand a count and tellers shall be appointed at the meeting for the purpose.

## II. STANDING ORDERS FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

1. The meetings of the Executive Committee shall open with the Lord's Prayer.
2. The Chairman shall not vote as a member of the Executive Committee but shall have a casting vote.
3. Minutes of the proceedings of every meeting shall be taken by the Secretary.
4. Members when speaking shall address the Chair.
5. The ruling of the Chair on a point of order, or on the advisability of a personal explanation, shall be final.
6. A resolution or amendment moved at the meeting shall be in writing signed by the mover, and handed to the Chair.
7. A resolution or amendment may be withdrawn by the mover with the consent of the seconder and of the meeting, which shall be signified without debate; and it shall not be competent for any member to speak upon it after the mover has asked permission for its withdrawal, unless such permission shall have been refused.
8. Whenever an amendment upon an original motion has been moved and seconded, no second or subsequent amendment shall be moved until the first amendment shall have been disposed of, but any speaker to the amendment may give notice of a further amendment which she will move when the other has been disposed of. If an amendment be carried, the motion as amended shall become the substantive resolution, upon which any further amendment shall be moved.
9. A member wishing to have a subject placed upon the agenda must give at least 18 days' notice to the Secretary.
10. The Executive Committee shall arrange for meetings of the Representative Council. The Committee may arrange for submitting to the Council any urgency business or resolution, provided that two-thirds of the members of the Executive Committee present and voting support the motion that such business or resolution is urgent.
11. Notices of the meetings of the Executive Committee shall be forwarded to the Hon. Secretaries of the Sectional and other Committees. Those Hon. Secretaries who have held office for one year rank as full Members of Executive, while those who have held office for less than one year have the right to attend the meetings and to speak, but not to vote.
12. A resolution agreed to by the Executive Committee shall not be rescinded or altered by them, unless some members of the Executive Committee shall have given notice to the Secretary 18 days before the meeting of the Executive Committee of a motion to rescind or alter such resolution, which notice shall be forthwith entered on the agenda by the Secretary.
13. In taking public action with regard to subjects upon which the Representative Council has not defined its policy and upon which opinion is strongly divided, the Executive Committee shall only take action if notice of the proposal has been placed upon the agenda, which shall be circulated a fortnight before the meeting, and if such action has been approved by two-thirds of the members present and voting.
14. Copies in type of resolutions which Sectional Committees desire to bring before the Executive shall also be given to each member of the Executive Committee at the meeting.
15. A resolution for the suspension of the Standing Orders shall require a two-thirds majority of those present and voting.

16. These Standing Orders can only be amended by two-thirds majority of those present and voting at a meeting of the Executive Committee, if notice of such amendment has appeared on the circulated agenda.

17. The Executive may make bye-laws for its own guidance.

## III. STANDING ORDERS FOR SECTIONAL COMMITTEES.

**Reappointment of Sectional Committees.**—The members of each Sectional Committee shall be eligible for reappointment by the new Executive Committee.

The Hon. Secretary of the Committee shall forward to the Secretary of the N.C.W. a complete list of the names and addresses of the members standing for re-election and of the new nominees for submission to the new Executive Committee at its first Meeting.

**Election of Officers.**—Each Sectional Committee shall elect its Chairman from among its own members; she shall represent the Committee on the Executive.

A Chairman who has not attended at least two meetings during the year shall be disqualified for nomination for the ensuing year.

Nominations for the Chairman, whose consent to stand must first have been obtained by the nominator, shall be sent to the Hon. Secretary of the Committee not less than fourteen days before the Meeting of the Committee which immediately precedes the 21st May, or the posting of the nomination papers for the election of the Executive Committee. The Hon. Secretary shall place the names of the nominees upon the agenda paper, which shall be sent out to the members of the Committee. In the event of there being more than one nominee, the election shall be by ballot.

Each Sectional Committee shall at the same meeting appoint its own Hon. Secretary and other officers, who shall be Subscribing Members of the N.C.W.

The 40 elected members of the Executive shall have the right to attend meetings of the Sectional Committees without power to vote.

Each Sectional Committee may, at the discretion of the Chairman, invite the attendance of experts on any given subject, and of visitors.

**Meeting.**—Each Sectional Committee shall meet at least three times a year. The Honorary Secretary shall give at least seven days' notice of the Meetings, specifying the business to be transacted thereat. A copy of the Agenda to be sent to the Secretary of the N.C.W.

The Chairman and Hon. Secretary of each Sectional Committee shall have power, when necessary, to summon an Urgency Meeting. They shall state the business for which such a meeting is called, and no other business shall be considered at that meeting.

**Procedure.**—Each Sectional Committee shall determine its method of procedure and fix its own quorum, which shall not be less than seven.

The Hon. Secretary of each Sectional Committee shall keep the minutes of the meetings, and forward a copy to the N.C.W. for filing purposes.

A Sectional Committee desiring to form a special sub-committee shall obtain the consent of the Executive Committee.

**Reports.**—Each Sectional Committee shall present a Report of its proceedings to the Executive Committee. A copy of this Report shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the N.C.W. and filed at the office.

Each Sectional Committee shall present an Annual Report to the National Council of Women before the Annual Meeting. A copy of this report shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the N.C.W. for publication. The reception of such report shall not pledge the National Council to support any policy which may be advocated therein.

**Connection with Branches.**—A Sectional Committee shall not ask any Branch to take action in regard to any legislative measure without the consent of the Executive Committee.

In communicating with Branches, the Committee shall clearly state that such communication is sent by the Sectional Committee, and not by the Executive Committee.

**Representation of Sectional Committees.**—Each Sectional Committee shall appoint two representatives, who are Subscribing members, to serve upon the Representative Council.

The Chairman of each Sectional Committee and the Hon. Secretary, after having served for one year, are *ex-officio* Members of the Executive Committee,

*Ex-officio* Members shall not stand for election to the Executive Committee.

**Finance.**—The ordinary expenses of each Sectional Committee, i.e., postage, stationery, and any necessary printing, shall be defrayed out of the funds of the National Council of Women—£5 being the maximum sum per annum which can be expended. The Hon. Secretary of the Committee shall forward her statement of accounts to the Office half-yearly.

## BRANCHES, THEIR POWERS AND DUTIES.

1. Branches are composed of individual subscribing members and of representatives of local Societies and organisations, the work of which is in harmony with the objects of the Council. They carry out the work of the Council in their own locality. Each Branch elects its own President, Secretary, and other officers.

2. Branches formulate their own rules, but must be prepared to assist the work and objects of the N.C.W. as local circumstances enable them to do.

3. Branches shall pay an annual subscription to the Central Fund of £5 and 25 per cent. of their ordinary membership subscriptions collected from individuals and societies.

4. Branches of 100 members and upwards, among whom shall be representatives of the various activities and organisations in the locality, shall have the right to elect their President, Secretary, or other member of their Committee, to serve on the Executive Committee of the N.C.W.

A Proxy may be elected by the Branch, to hold office for the same period as the elected representative, with power to attend the Executive Committee and vote on receiving notification from the representative of her unavoidable absence.

5. Branches shall have the right to appoint a representative to serve on each Sectional Committee, such appointment to be made not later than the month of July. In the event of the representative being unable to attend, a proxy may be appointed to attend in her place.

6. Branches shall be represented upon the Representative Council in the proportion of one for every five of their local Societies, and one for the first twenty-five and one for every succeeding fifty of their subscribing members. Should a member elected to serve on the Council resign during the year another may be elected in her place, but no representative shall be accepted unless her appointment has been notified to the Secretary of the National Council at least a fortnight before the Council Meeting.

7. A Branch may send in to the Executive Committee one resolution for the Representative Council. Such resolution shall be circulated to the Branches and Societies, the Scottish Standing Committee and the Executive, and the ten resolutions receiving the highest number of votes shall be placed on the agenda.

8. Branches shall not be considered responsible for the opinion of the Council as expressed by resolutions, unless and until they have themselves affirmed the resolution passed by the Council at a meeting of the Branch.

9. A Branch shall not approach a Government Department without first obtaining the consent of the Executive Committee.

10. Branches shall be notified through their Secretaries of all Meetings of the Representative Council.

11. Branches shall send short reports of their work for insertion in "Women in Council" from time to time, and their annual report when issued to the General Secretary of the N.C.W.

## REGIONAL COMMITTEES OF THE BRANCHES.

**Objects.**—To promote solidarity by keeping Branches in close touch with each other and with the work at Headquarters.

To survey areas, and endeavour to form and strengthen the Branches, and thus to further the work of the National Council of Women.

**Constitution of Regional Committees.**—Each Regional Committee shall consist of three voting members to represent each Branch in its area, one of whom shall be an Hon. Officer of the Branch.

Proxies, with power to vote, shall be appointed, who shall attend in the event of the unavoidable absence of any of the representatives.

The representatives shall hold office for one year and shall be eligible for re-election by their respective Branches.

Members of the Headquarters Executive, elected at the Annual Meeting of the Council, who live in the area of a Regional Committee, shall be *ex-officio* members of that Committee.

Each Regional Committee shall at its Annual Meeting elect a Chairman and an Hon. Secretary. These officers shall be appointed in addition to the Branch Representatives.

Each Regional Committee shall have the right to elect a member to represent it on the Headquarters Executive Committee. Such representative shall hold office for one year, but be eligible for re-election.

The Hon. Secretary for Regional Committees shall be *ex-officio* a member of all Regional Committees.

No Branch shall be closed down before it has communicated with its Regional Committee, which shall notify Headquarters.

**Meetings of Regional Committees.**—Each Regional Committee shall hold at least two meetings during the year.

Special Meetings of the Regional Committee may be called by the Chairman or at the request of two of the Branches forming the Committee.

The Minutes of each Regional Committee shall be circulated to its Branches, copies being sent to the Hon. Secretary for Regional Committees, and to the Secretary of the N.C.W.

**Finance.**—Each Branch shall pay to the Regional Committee a sum to be decided upon by that Committee, to defray the expenses of printing, postage, etc.

**Connection with Regional and Branch Representatives Sectional Committee.**—The President acts as Chairman of this Committee, with the help of the Vice-Presidents.

The Regional and Branch Representatives Sectional Committee shall act as liaison committee for the Regional Committees.

The Chairman and Hon. Secretary of each Regional Committee, or their duly appointed proxies, shall serve on the Regional and Branch Representatives Sectional Committee.

The Hon. Secretary for Regional Committees shall be *ex-officio* a member of the Regional and Branch Representatives Sectional Committee, with power to vote.

## AFFILIATED SOCIETIES, THEIR RELATION TO THE NATIONAL COUNCIL.

1. Each Affiliated Society is entitled to appoint one representative on the Representative Council, but this representation may be increased upon application being made by the Affiliating Society to a number not exceeding six at the discretion of the Executive Committee, which shall revise the list annually.

Should a member elected to serve on the Council resign during the year another may be elected in her place, but no representative shall be accepted unless her appointment has been notified to the Secretary of the National Council at least a fortnight before the Council Meeting.

An Affiliated Society has the right to appoint a representative to serve on the Sectional Committee dealing with its special work.

In the event of the representative being unable to attend a proxy may be appointed to attend in her place.

2. Affiliated Societies shall pay an annual subscription to the Central Funds of not less than £1. 1s. (as from 1912). Should they be entitled to appoint more than four Members of Council, an additional sum of 5s. is due on behalf of each additional member so appointed to the Representative Council. Any Society which has not paid its subscription before the Annual Meeting of the National Council shall, after due notice, cease to be affiliated.

3. An Affiliated Society may send to the Executive Committee one resolution for the Representative Council. Such resolution shall be circulated to the Branches, Societies, the Executive and the Scottish Standing Committee, and the ten resolutions receiving the highest number of votes shall be placed on the agenda.

4. Affiliated Societies incur no responsibility on account of any action taken either by the National Council of Women or by any other Affiliated Society, unless they have affirmed a resolution passed by the Council at a Meeting of the Society.

5. Affiliated Societies shall each receive through their Secretaries notice of all Meetings of the Representative Council and a free copy of the Handbook and of "Women in Council."

6. Affiliated Societies shall be entitled to display and sell their literature on one of the bookstalls at the Annual Meeting.

## 44th ANNUAL REPORT, 1939.

REVIEWING a year of unrelieved tension for the whole nation it is noteworthy that almost all reports from Branches indicate a high level of achievement; it is clear that the vastly wider opportunities for service have been met with eagerness and with energy.

The gravity of the times has been reflected at Headquarters in exhaustive discussion of the pressing problems of the day. The Executive Committee has been represented by one of the Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Patrick Ness, on the Executive of Women's Voluntary Services for Civil Defence, as well as by the Dowager Lady Nunburnholme on the Advisory Council; their comprehensive reports have kept the N.C.W. in close touch with women's share in the organisation of the nation for civil defence.

It is impossible to give an adequate account of the Council's contribution to the nation's need, for it would include a catalogue of work in almost all the Branches. Frequently it has been the N.C.W. which has taken the lead in forming committees to undertake the responsibilities of local emergency services. In some areas members have trained for service in their own units, either in First Aid, Nursing or Hospital Work, or general W.V.S. service. Several Branches have taken a large part in staffing the local W.V.S. office, and many N.C.W. members hold responsible posts.

The vast difficulties of the refugee problem have been constantly before the committees, and an Ad Hoc Committee on Refugees was set up to clarify the Council's policy. Mrs. Arthur Watts, Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, has represented the N.C.W. on the Refugee Public Opinion Council. The general sympathy of the Council has been translated into practical help for refugees in very many of the Branches. The full Branch reports make most heartening reading, and one would like to be able to quote many of the instances where a Branch has equipped a hostel, undertaken to educate children, organised local meetings and committees, offered hospitality, or raised substantial sums for various funds.

### In Memoriam.

The year has been greatly saddened by the loss of outstanding women whose names had long been inseparable from the N.C.W. Ishbel, Marchioness of Aberdeen and Temair was a figure known and beloved in many countries. The May number of "Women in Council" published a sympathetic appreciation by Miss Christitch



of her long and inspiring life. Dame Maria Ogilvie Gordon was another remarkable personality also known and respected far beyond the limits of this Council, for her scientific achievements and her work for the welfare of women and children. Dame Maria was President of the N.C.W. during the difficult years of the war of 1914-1918, and until her death maintained a keen interest in many activities of the Council.

The Lady Laura Ridding and Miss Bertha Mason were both Hon. Vice-Presidents who will be greatly missed; Lady Laura was President in 1910-11 and Miss Mason's wide knowledge of matters of local government was of very special value to the Council during many years. The Council has shared with the I.C.W. the loss of one of its Hon. Vice-Presidents, Madame Avril de Sainte-Croix. The deaths have also occurred of Dr. Jane Walker, the well-known pioneer woman doctor, Miss Brodie-Hall, who had been a member of the Executive for many years, and the following who had all been Branch Presidents: Mrs. Fraser Annand, Miss Chudleigh, Mrs. Dan Kerr, Mrs. John Harris, Mrs. A. Lawrence, Mrs. Maynard Page and Lady Salvesen.

**Officers and Executive Committee.** The President, Mrs. A. F. W. Johnson, has given freely of her time and energies; she has made widespread tours of the Branches and Regional Committees, and has spoken on the Council's work to a large number of members, as well as representing the Council on the League of Nations Union (Women's Advisory Council) and at many public meetings. The other Hon. Officers have also been indefatigable in attendance at Committees and in visiting Branches in different parts of the country.

Congratulations are offered to Miss Florence Horsbrugh, M.P., on her appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Health, and to Miss Elsie Zimmern on her appointment as Vice-President of the Associated Country Women of the World, and to the following who have been awarded New Year or Birthday Honours:—

Mrs. Gordon Carter.  
Miss Lucie Savill.  
Lady Mather Jackson.

**The Executive Committee** has met ten times to date (end of July) and the average attendance has been 71.

Visitors welcomed to the Committee included:—  
Mrs. Cameron Smith, N.C.W.—New Zealand.  
Mrs. Humphrey Clegg, N.C.W.—Victoria, Australia.

Mrs. Ernestine von Fürth.  
Miss Rienits, N.C.W.—New South Wales.  
Dr. Summers, N.C.W.—West Australia.

**Representative Council Meeting, London.** The experiment of a week-end conference was tried in London from 14th to 16th October, 1938, under the Chairmanship of the Lady Ruth Balfour. Owing, however, to the political crisis and to the I.C.W. Golden Jubilee Conference held in Edinburgh so shortly before, this conference could hardly be regarded as a normal one. It was attended by 475 representatives and visitors. The usual social activities were, however, much curtailed. The London Branch assisted Headquarters with the organisation of hospitality, and a profit of £86 was contributed to headquarters funds. There was one extremely interesting public meeting on foreign affairs, addressed by Mr. Harold Nicolson, C.M.G., M.P., and Mr. Maxwell Fyfe, K.C., M.P. Delegates attended a service in Westminster Abbey.

Of the resolutions passed several arose from the international situation and occasioned keen discussion. The question of relief for refugees and stateless persons was still being discussed almost a year later. The resolution concerning the adoption abroad of British children has since been incorporated in the National Children Adoption Act. The question of therapeutic abortion aroused controversy, and following the publication of the official report of the Inter-Departmental Committee on Abortion, the question is on the Agenda to be discussed at the Annual (Cheltenham) Conference.

**Relations with Other Bodies.** Through the appointment of delegates, observers or representatives the Council has co-operated with the following organisations:—

British Commonwealth League, Conference—Representative.  
British Medical Association, Conference—Representative.  
Cinema Christian Council, Conference.  
League of National Life, Conference—Observer.  
League of Nations Union, Women's Advisory Council—Representative.  
Missionary Settlement for University Women (Bombay), Luncheon—Representative.  
National Council of Social Service—Representative.  
National Council for Mental Hygiene, Conference—Representative.  
National Peace Council, Conference—Representative.  
Nationality of Married Women Pass the Bill Committee, Conference—Representatives.

National Safety First Association—Representatives.  
 Open Door Council, Conference—Representatives.  
 People's League of Health—Representative.  
 Refugee Public Opinion Council—Representative.  
 St. Joan's Social and Political Alliance—Representatives.  
 Society for the Oversea Settlement of British Women—  
 Representative.  
 Women's Advisory Housing Council—Representative.  
 W.V.S. for Civil Defence—Representatives on Advisory  
 Council and Executive.

**Associated Country Women of the World.** During the A.C.W.W. Conference in London the N.C.W. had the pleasure of entertaining, at a luncheon, about 50 delegates from overseas. Hospitality was offered to others, and more than one of the Branches entertained parties of delegates.

**Deputations.** Dr. Genevieve Rewcastle represented the N.C.W. on a deputation from the People's League of Health to the Ministry of Health on the question of clean milk.

The President, Mrs. Johnson, represented the Council on a deputation to the Lord Privy Seal on 1st August on rates of pay and compensation in Civil Defence work.

#### OFFICE.

After the I.C.W. Conference in Edinburgh last July, the assistant engaged for the extra work in connection with the Conference was dispensed with, and the ordinary staff was also reduced at the end of November. This year there have been 279 visitors to the office (not including trade representatives), and well over 2,000 press cuttings have been received.

		Letters in	
September	1938	756	as against 590 in 1937
October	"	941	" " 570 "
November	"	944	" " 646 "
December	"	567	" " 435 "
January	1939	742	" " 530 in 1938
February	"	720	" " 508 "
March	"	686	" " 775 "
April	"	598	" " 573 "
May	"	788	" " 877 "
June	"	852	" " 1,062 "
July	"	1,165	" " 658 "
August	"	422	" " 387 "

#### Letters out.

September	1938	515	as against 550 in 1937.
October	"	1,014	" " 525 "
November	"	862	" " 634 "
December	"	506	" " 392 "
January	1939	635	" " 470 in 1938
February	"	545	" " 467 "
March	"	550	" " 541 "
April	"	552	" " 619 "
May	"	603	" " 690 "
June	"	737	" " 1,024 "
July	"	691	" " 813 "
August	"	490	" " 270 "

These figures do not include the duplication of minutes, agenda, reports, circular letters, etc. The staff has as usual undertaken the secretarial work of Sectional Committees which have been without Hon. Secretaries.

Mrs. Watts left the office at the end of December, her place as General Secretary being taken by Mrs. Cowan. Miss Bailey resigned early in the year and was replaced by Miss Cook.

**Affiliated Societies.** We warmly welcome two newly affiliated societies, the Abortion Law Reform Association and also the Women's Farm and Garden Association, which is doing most useful work in connection with land training for National Service.

It has been a matter for real regret that the Mothers' Union has withdrawn from affiliation, after many years of valued co-operation. The Teachers' Training and Registration Society has ceased to exist, as has the Federation of Girls' Clubs, owing to its amalgamation with other Girls' Club Unions in London to form the London Union of Girls' Clubs. It is regretted that the Coulsdon and District Women Citizens' Association has withdrawn from affiliation.

The Council has been in close touch during the year with most of its affiliated societies, which now number 138, and it is hoped to strengthen these friendly relations still further by a wider representation from the societies both on the Executive Committee and the sectional committees.

**Branches.** Despite the claims of an increasing number of women's organisations it is most encouraging that the Branch membership continues to be satisfactory, and we are glad to welcome two new Branches. Uxbridge was inaugurated in March, thanks to the efforts of the Home Counties Regional Committee. Under the auspices of the North Eastern Regional Committee Todmorden made a promising start slightly later, bringing the number of Branches up to 85. The formation of new Branches is under con-

sideration in several districts, and some most useful preparatory work will be followed up at a more opportune time.

#### **Publications.**

The Handbook 1938-39 was published in October. "Women in Council" has appeared nine times.

A Summary of the Report of the Inter-Departmental Committee on Abortion was printed in July, and is obtainable price 2d. per copy, or 1/6d. a dozen, post free.

#### **Commemoration of Women's Suffrage.**

To commemorate the 21st anniversary of suffrage for women, a luncheon was arranged in London, at which Lady Astor, as the first woman M.P., Miss Philippa Fawcett and Mrs. Oliver Strachey were the speakers.

### **WORK OF COMMITTEES.**

#### **Publicity and Broadcasting Committee.**

*Chairman* : The PRESIDENT.

*Joint Secretaries* : The GENERAL SECRETARY and the PRESS SECRETARY.

From the London Conference onwards the number of press cuttings received has greatly increased, pointing to the fact that the Council's activities receive wider recognition in the national and provincial press. These cuttings have been filed and analysed, showing the Council's main pre-occupations during the year, and the success of material released by the Press Secretary. At the same time contact has been made and established with prominent public bodies.

A message suggested by the Manchester Branch was broadcast on the Eve of Armistice Day, and owing to the inspiration of the Bedford Branch a Christmas message of goodwill from the N.C.W. was broadcast on Christmas night.

The circulation of "Women in Council" continues to improve slowly, but three branches still fail to give it support. In this connection it has been found helpful for branches to appoint magazine secretaries. In March Messrs. Radclyffe's contract was cancelled, and it was decided to produce the journal in a more modern form. Under the new arrangement the Press Secretary is responsible for obtaining the necessary advertisements.

The Council's leaflets were reviewed and a revised leaflet for the information of Branches was drafted.

This year, through the Publicity and Broadcasting Committee, efforts have been made to link the branches more closely with headquarters, and also to interest them in the journal and the Council's

publicity generally. The Press Secretary, therefore, visited six branches and spoke on the Council's publicity programme. This side of the work is growing, and affords considerable scope for development. Many branches report the friendly and helpful co-operation of the local press.

Two new members have been co-opted, Miss Sprott, of the Public Relations Division of the British Broadcasting Corporation, and Miss Rickard, Hon. Secretary of the Regional Committees. The Committee has met three times and, its value having been proved in the last two years, will in future meet regularly once in two months during Committee week.

**Ad Hoc Committee on Broadcasting.** This Committee met in December to discuss with the representatives of other women's organisations women's point of view in regard to broadcasting programmes. Mr. Aubrey Herbert, B.B.C. Education Officer for the Home Counties, spoke on group listening.

**Sub-Committee on Abortion.** Consisting of the Hon. Officers and representatives of the Moral Welfare, Public Health and Public Service Committees, this Sub-Committee was appointed to consider the Report of the Inter-Departmental Committee on Abortion, and to draw up a resolution for submission to the Executive Committee, for consideration at the Conference. After two meetings the resolution was forwarded and a summary of the Report was drafted and printed for the information of members of the Council.

**Ad Hoc Committee on Refugees.** This small committee was formed in April to deal with the refugee problem, as it affected the Council, and to consider the policy of the Refugee Public Opinion Council.

**I.C.W. Joint Sub-Committee.** The final meeting of this Sub-Committee was held in December in order to complete the accounts of the Edinburgh Conference.

**Ad Hoc Committee on the Status of Women.** This Committee met in October 1938 and May 1939 under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Hartree. A statement was prepared in answer to a questionnaire from the I.C.W. asking for information as to discrepancies between the written law and its application in this country. Exhaustive enquiry resulted in the expression of the Committee's opinion that the administration of the law in England was according to the law, except in certain practice relating to prostitutes. Further information is being collected. A resolution was formulated urging the Government to urge at Geneva the appointment of a further committee of experts competent to deal with the question of the status of women of primitive races.

#### **Relations with Affiliated Societies Sub-Committee.**

This small committee met twice, considering questions affecting the representation of affiliated societies on the Executive Committee and on the Representative Council. A scheme was drawn up for a different method of representation on the N.C.W. Executive, and it was recommended that twenty-four members should be drawn from the societies instead of sixteen. Two societies were granted increased representation on the Council.

**Conference Sub-Committee.** This committee carried out the preliminary arrangements for the Representative Council Meeting, Cheltenham.

#### **SECTIONAL COMMITTEES.**

Owing to her work as Chairman of the Scottish Committee of W.V.S., the Lady Ruth Balfour was obliged to resign the Chairmanship of the Public Health and Child Welfare Committee and Dr. Rewcastle kindly acted as Chairman until the appointment of Dr. Stella Churchill, who presided for the first time at the June meeting.

In December 1938 a meeting of officers of Sectional Committees discussed the possible amalgamation of certain committees, and schemes for making them financially self-supporting. After consideration by all the committees in question it was decided that the Public Health and Child Welfare Committee should be amalgamated with the Housing Committee, the subject of Child Welfare being dealt with in its different aspects by the Committees most closely concerned. The new Committee, to be called Public Health and Housing, will meet under the chairmanship of Dr. Stella Churchill, with two Vice-Chairmen, Miss Galton, representing Housing, and Dr. Rewcastle representing Public Health matters, with Miss A. M. S. Wilson and Dr. Clements as Hon. Secretaries.

A scheme was prepared for discussion at the Cheltenham Conference, suggesting that the Headquarters Office should be responsible for duplicating Agenda and Minutes of the Sectional Committees and that a membership fee of 2/6., inclusive of minutes, should be compulsory for each member.

The Education Committee has lost the valued services of Miss Anthony and Miss Kitchin owing to retirement, and welcomes Miss M. G. Cowan, O.B.E., M.A., as the new chairman, and Mrs. C. A. Ramsden, Ph.D., as Hon. Secretary.

Brief notes indicating practical work of special interest done by the Branches will be found at the end of the Sectional Committee reports.

#### **Arts and Letters Sectional Committee.**

*Chairman* : MRS. ST. LOE STRACHEY, O.B.E., J.P.

*Consultant Vice-Chairman* : MRS. LOVAT FRASER.

*Hon. Secretary* : MISS MARY SHAW.

The Committee met three times during the year with an average attendance of 26.

In November reports were given, by Mrs. Gordon and Miss Helen Ward, of the work of the Letters Committee and the Arts Committee at the I.C.W. Conference. There Miss Ward had proposed that a series of lantern slides of the work of women artists should be made, which could be shown in any country. It was finally agreed that British women artists, sculptors, architects, etc., should be asked by Miss Lewthwaite Dewar (I.C.W. representative) to send photographs of their work—which would be kept in a portfolio, and could be borrowed by any Branch or Society to use with an epidiascope, to illustrate a lecture on contemporary art in Great Britain. Later it might be lent to foreign countries.

In February the suggestion of amalgamation with the Education Committee was discussed; nearly all members present spoke in favour of retaining their own committee and it was agreed that it should continue unaltered.

It had been found impossible to send pictures by British women artists to the International Exhibition in New York, owing to lack of funds, but a list of names of 20 distinguished British women authors, with their recent publications, was sent to the U.S.A. Chairman of Letters—for the Bibliotheque Femina.

In November a paper on "The English Ballet" by Mrs. Lovat Fraser was read, and in June a delightful address on "The New Publicity" was given by Miss Helen Simpson.

Book Lists and Music criticisms have been much appreciated at each meeting.

#### **BRANCH NOTES :**

The Literary Circle at **Mortlake** continues to flourish.

#### **British Empire and Migration Sectional Committee.**

*Chairman* : LADY BOWRING, C.B.E.

*Hon. Secretary* : MISS ELSIE M. ZIMMERN.

The British Empire and Migration Sectional Committee has held four meetings in the course of the year, with an average attendance of 33 members and visitors. The terms of reference of the Committee were revised and are printed on page 12 of the Handbook.

The Committee gave consideration to the resolutions passed by the International Council of Women at Edinburgh dealing with girls visiting foreign countries to study the language on mutual

terms, with the position of refugees and stateless persons and with the conditions under which migration is organised either by the state or by voluntary organisations. The Committee has kept in close touch with the work of the *Au Pair* Association and with the National Union of Students, both of which organisations are doing the practical work of placing "*au pair* students" in families, where in return for board, lodging and practice in speaking English they help with the children and give instruction in their own language.

Since its inception the Committee has interested itself in the fate of the Mui Tsai in Hong Kong and Malay and now it is following closely the working out of the registration of adopted daughters under the new ordinances in both places. Lady Assistant Protectors of Chinese have been appointed, who are doing very good work. Homes are needed for young girls, mostly under fifteen years of age, who have been rescued from undesirable surroundings.

The Parliamentary Secretary's report has been a feature at each meeting of the Committee and the members have much appreciated having the various answers in Parliament on Colonial questions brought to their notice; these have been circulated with the minutes for the benefit of those members who had not been able to attend the meetings.

During the year addresses have been given on the Migration policy for refugees, by Mrs. Ormerod of the Co-ordinating Committee, on Impressions of the West Indies, by the Dowager Lady Nunburnholme, and on the work of Canadian Women's Institutes by Mrs. McGregor, President of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada, who was on a visit to this country as a delegate to the Fourth International Conference of the Associated Country Women of the World.

The Committee was represented at a meeting called by St. Joan's Social and Political Alliance to discuss the question of Forced Marriages of African girls and also at the Annual Meeting and Conference of the British Commonwealth League, when the "Changing Status of Women" was considered from many points of view.

Miss Picton-Turberville's fund for Mui Tsai has received support in several of the Branches.

#### **Cinema Sectional Committee.**

*Chairman* : Miss E. M. Fox.

*Vice-Chairman* : Mrs. W. A. Potts.

*Hon. Secretary* : Miss A. P. Duncan.

The membership of this Committee is 126. At four meetings the average attendance has been 42, 49 members taking the minutes.

At the November meeting Mrs. William Fyfe, as the British Representative on the I.C.W. Cinema Committee, reported that

after ten hours' discussion at the meetings of that committee in Edinburgh in July 1938, it was agreed that the main points which concerned all countries were :—

- (a) The raising of the moral standard.
- (b) Education of public opinion.
- (c) Use of sub-standard films.
- (d) Films for children.

The "Plan of Action" adopted for the next triennial period includes the recommendation that "The development of the use in sub-standard films be specially considered."

At each meeting a special subject, introduced by an expert, was considered and discussed :—

November : *Problems affecting Films in the British Dominions.*  
Speaker : Mr. G. T. Hankins, formerly H.M.I.

February : *Sub-Standard Films.* Speaker : Mr. F. A. Hoare,  
Chairman of the Sub-Standard Cinematograph Association.

As a result of the discussion, the Committee recommended to the Executive that the following resolution should be sent to the Home Office :—

"That this organisation deplures any control of the production or exhibition of sub-standard cinematograph films and urges the Government to leave the industry to develop without any hampering restrictions."

April : *Methods of Judging Films.* Speaker : Mr. Howard Tyrer, Secretary of the Public Morality Council, who considered that "The general tendency should be the ultimate factor in arriving at a judgment, rather than the incident or detail."

June : *The Adolescent and the Cinema.* Speaker : Mr. William Farr, representing the British Film Institute, who mentioned that a special questionnaire was being issued for adolescents of the 14-18 age group, and was being distributed through schools, factories, youth organisations, and unemployment centres in order to get information from all types.

The Committee has sustained a great loss by the death of Dame Maria Ogilvie Gordon, who was the first Chairman.

#### **Education Sectional Committee.**

*Chairman* : Miss S. G. Anthony, B.A.

*Vice-Chairman* : Miss Morant.

*Hon. Secretary* : Miss Christine Kitchin.

The Education Committee met four times during the year, with an average attendance of 30 members.

On 14th December, 1938 there was a very interesting talk on the "Cambridgeshire Village College Scheme" by Mr. Morris, Education Secretary for the County of Cambridge.

At the meeting on 15th March, 1939 the Spens Report was considered, and Mr. Simpson, a member of the Consultative Committee of the Board of Education, spoke on "Certain Aspects of the Spens Report," referring especially to Grammar School Education up to the age of 16.

At both the May and July meetings the urgent question of the education of refugee children was discussed, and Mr. MacColl, Member of the L.C.C. Education Committee, and Educational Adviser of the Movement for the Care of Refugee Children, spoke of the work under Local Education Authorities, while Mrs. Franklin Kohn spoke of "Six years experience in placing refugee children in public and private boarding schools."

All branches and affiliated societies who had representatives on the N.C.W. Education Committee were asked to send in papers giving their views on the I.C.W. Recommendations for Study for 1938-41. There was a good response and an *Ad Hoc* Committee was set up to consider the papers, and during the next Session a report would be drawn up to send to the I.C.W.

The Committee regretfully accepted the resignation of both Miss Anthony and Miss Kitchin, but were glad to welcome Miss Cowan, O.B.E., M.A., and Mrs. C. A. Ramsden, Ph.D., as the new Chairman and Hon. Secretary respectively. Miss Morant kindly agreed to carry on her work as Vice-Chairman for another year.

#### BRANCH NOTES :

**Bristol Branch** has recently formed an Education Section to study the working of the educational system with special reference to local conditions and problems. The members are visiting schools including those on new housing estates.

**Bedford** has been largely occupied in educating local opinion in the scope and value of Child Guidance, and has a Child Guidance Sub-Committee, aiming at the formation of a clinic.

#### Household Service Sectional Committee.

Chairman : MISS B. M. RANDLE.

Vice-Chairman : MISS ETTY POTTER.

Hon. Secretary : MISS BORTON BROWN.

The Committee has met five times with an average attendance of 39.

A Household Service League Luncheon was held in the Green Hall of the Y.W.C.A., Great Russell Street, at the conclusion of the Annual Representative Council Meeting in London, and was attended by nearly 200 delegates. The speaker was Miss Beatrice Bezzant, newly appointed organiser of the National Union of Domestic Workers.

The work of the Committee during the past year has included the preparation of a draft leaflet compiled from extracts from the National Council of Women Leaflets on Law and Custom and National Health Insurance and from the Report of the *Ad Hoc* Committee on Household Employment. This has been translated into German for the benefit of refugees entering this country with little knowledge of its language or customs, to take up employment in domestic service. The draft leaflet was handed to the Domestic Bureau of the Central Office for refugees for incorporation in their pamphlet "Some suggestions for employers and employees."

The Ealing Group of the Household Service League has closed down after five years of useful work and has sent the balance of its funds to Headquarters.

Speakers who have given addresses to the Committee during the past year are :—

Miss Janet Bond, Principal Canned Foods Advisory Bureau, on the work of the Bureau.

Miss E. Willans, M.B.E., on the 7th International Congress at Washington in September, 1938, Home Section papers and discussions, and the tours in connection with the Congress.

Miss E. Kolmer, Secretary, Committee of Austrians in England, on refugees in domestic work.

Miss Constantine, Aliens Branch, Ministry of Labour, on the regulations for the admission of foreign nationals for domestic employment in this country. (See June number of "Women in Council").

Miss Cullen, Child Guidance Council, on Boarding out, and the training of house and foster mothers in Homes for destitute children.

Mrs. Charles Wintour, Hon. Organiser of the Service Fellowship Association, on the Training of unemployed men for work in all branches of domestic service.

It is proposed to organise in the autumn a conference on "The Domestic Problem in the Home," when the Societies represented on the Household Service Committee will act in co-operation with the British Commonwealth League.

#### BRANCH NOTES :

**Birmingham** has a Household Service Committee.

**Hastings and St. Leonards** also has a sub-Committee to deal with household service problems, and has taken action locally.

**Edinburgh** (Joint Committee of E.W.C.A. and N.C.W.) arranged a nutrition week at the Craigentiny Community Centre, lectures and demonstrations twice daily by experts arousing a great deal of interest.

### Housing Sectional Committee.

*Chairman* : MISS M. C. GALTON.

*Vice-Chairman* : COUNCILLOR MRS. STEVENSON, J.P.

*Hon. Secretary* : MISS A. M. S. WILSON.

The membership of this Committee is 109, and there has been an average attendance of 38 at the four meetings held this session.

A report was given to members of the meetings held at Edinburgh of the Housing Committee of the I.C.W., when all members of the N.C.W. were asked to press for the inclusion of Nursery Schools and Play Centres for all young children, and recreation centres for older children in all large housing schemes.

Members were also urged to work for the election of more women to Housing Authorities, and the appointment of more women as managers of housing estates.

There have been discussions on "Furnishing Schemes," when the speaker, Miss Enfield, advocated some alternative to the usual hire purchase method of obtaining furniture by the people who were being moved from slum clearance areas to new estates; and on air raid shelters, when the speaker described the shelters provided by the Government, through Local Authorities, for the tenants of cottages, and the proposed strengthening of tenement houses.

Interesting addresses have been given by:—

Miss Florence Barrow and Mr. C. B. Taylor, on Housing in Birmingham, with special reference to the Birmingham Copec House Improvement Society. This talk was followed by some very interesting lantern slides.

Miss Thompson, Manager of the Southall Borough Council Houses, who spoke of the future of women in Municipal Housing, and emphasised the need for trained women to act as managers, and not merely as welfare workers.

Mr. Leslie, on the Kensal House Estate. He described the attractive flats and also spoke of the social work being done amongst the tenants.

Mr. Banwell, Town Clerk of Lincoln, who spoke on Housing as a Social Service, and the many advantages to the Tenants where Community Organisations are encouraged.

Mr. F. Milton Harvey, on Housing from an Architect's point of view.

The Housing Sectional Committee unanimously agreed to the recommendation of the Executive that it should be amalgamated with the Public Health Committee next year, feeling that both Committees were working for the same object, namely the better health and the improvement of conditions under which so many of the nation were called to live.

### BRANCH NOTES :

The **Cambridge Branch** has continued its interest in the Housing Association and its flats for professional women.

**Ealing W.C.A. and N.C.W.** has started a scheme to provide one-roomed flatlets for elderly working women, and a house has been bought with the aid of a loan from the Borough Council and reconditioned to make 12 flats. So many applications have been received that it is hoped to start a second house.

**Edinburgh** (Joint E.W.C.A. and N.C.W.) made arrangements for showing the Octavia Hill Centenary Exhibition which was touring the country.

### Humane Treatment of Animals Sectional Committee.

*Chairman* : MRS. R. F. RATRAY, B.A., J.P.

*Vice-Chairman* : MISS C. MATHESON.

*Hon. Secretary* : MISS CHALLEN, B.A.

The Committee has held four meetings during the year, and has considered a large and varied number of problems. It has continued its work of investigation into the conditions of private zoos run for profit; this work was the outcome of a resolution proposed by Hastings Branch calling for the suppression of such zoos, which was carried unanimously at the Representative Council Meeting at Bournemouth in 1937. The R.S.P.C.A. has also completed a very thorough investigation into the same matter.

Mr. D. Young of the Department of Zoology, University College, attended the November meeting of the Committee and gave an illuminating address on the deplorable conditions under which tortoises are imported. At the request of the Committee, therefore, the Executive Committee sent a resolution to the Chamber of Shipping calling for more humane conditions of transport. Further negotiations have been left in the hands of U.F.A.W. in conjunction with the R.S.P.C.A.

The Committee has been fully alive to the dangers to which animals would be exposed in time of war; the R.S.P.C.A. leaflet entitled "Animal Protection in Air Raids" has been circulated to the Branches.

Various matters referred to in the press and elsewhere have been discussed by the Committee and information has been sought and received from the appropriate quarters; e.g., the over-stocking of cows (from the Ministry of Agriculture); the Hunting of the Giant Panda (from the Society for the Preservation of the Fauna of the Empire); and organised dog fights (from the National Canine Defence League). On the whole the reports of the several bodies on these matters have been re-assuring.

The Wild Birds (Ducks and Geese) Protection Bill has passed into law and two other Bills have made considerable progress. One is the Riding Establishments Registration and Inspection Bill promoted by the International League for the Protection of Horses. The other is the Prevention of Damage by Rabbits Bill, which is promoted by U.F.A.W. with the co-operation of the Ministry of Agriculture. Other Bills which have been before Parliament this session are—The Performing Animals (Regulation) Act (Amendment) Bill (now withdrawn); The Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) Act (Amendment) Bill; and the Docking and Nicking of Horses (Prohibition) Bill.

Mrs. K. Ramsbottom has been elected Vice-Chairman for 1939-40.

#### BRANCH NOTES :

**Hastings and St. Leonards Branch** organised a successful campaign against a proposed pier zoo.

#### Industrial and Insurance Sectional Committee.

*Chairman* : MRS. HARTREE.

*Hon. Secretary* : MISS NANSI LLOYD-DAVIES.

In September the Provisions of the Young Persons (Employment) Bill were reviewed.

Mrs. Abbott reported on the meeting of the I.C.W. Trades and Professions Committee at the I.C.W. Golden Jubilee Conference in July, and gave the text of the two resolutions passed, one dealing with extension of social legislation and inspection to cover agricultural employment, and the other with protection of domestic workers. Mrs. Abbott also made a statement as to the need for a new enquiry into "the position of women as wage earners, and their conditions as workers, in comparison with the wages and conditions of men workers." There was also a precis by the Chairman on the Amulree Report on Holidays with Pay.

At a joint meeting with the Public Health and Child Welfare Committee in December 1938 an address was given by Mr. Bishop Harman, L.D., F.R.C.S. on a scheme put forward by the B.M.A. on a General Medical Service for the nation, by which it was hoped to fill many of the existing gaps and remove many anomalies in our health services.

The Report of the Unemployment Statutory Committee as to holidays and suspensions in relation to Unemployment Insurance was summarised by the Chairman.

In March Miss Cowan addressed the meeting on Employment of Young Persons in Coal Mines, with particular reference to those under the age of 16, and a resolution with regard to the pro-

hibition of employment of boys under 16 below ground, safety regulations, and medical supervision, was sent forward to the Executive Committee. A letter was sent to the Mines Dept. as a result. A reply later received stated that consideration was now being given to the steps necessary to implement the detailed recommendation of the Royal Commission on Safety in Coal Mines, including those relating to the employment of boys below ground, medical inspection, training in the principles of safety and adequate supervision while at work.

The unequal rates of payments for women in A.R.P. services were discussed, as were also the problem of Unemployed Young Persons, the Unemployment Insurance Bill, and the Report of the Unemployment Statutory Committee.

The May meeting of the Committee was mainly taken up with a comprehensive report of the Chairman on the Report of the Committee on Pensions for Married Women. This Report dealt in detail with the claim put forward by the Spinsters Pensions Association for Pensions for spinsters at 55.

#### BRANCH NOTES :

**Burton-on-Trent** has approached the Borough and County Education Committees with regard to employment of boys in mines.

**Wolverhampton** has studied industrial conditions and visited the Wedgewood China Factory.

#### Sectional Committee on International Affairs and for the Promotion of Peace.

*Chairman* : DAME ELIZABETH CADBURY, M.A., J.P.

*Vice-Chairmen* : THE HON. MRS. FRANKLIN, THE HON. MRS. HOME PEEL.

*Hon. Secretary* : MRS. IAN McMASTER, M.A.

The Committee continues to be a centre of vital interest, reflecting the general pre-occupation with foreign affairs, and sharing the new resolution to find some permanent solution. This year has seen the beginning of Great Britain's determination, in close alliance with France, to build up a Peace Front which, if rightly directed, may lead to a new world order. But it is a gigantic task, and the main work lies before us, as was apparent from the subjects studied by the Committee.

At the first meeting, in November, Mrs. Ormerod, Hon. Secretary for the Co-ordinating Committee for Refugees, spoke on the present position of refugees, which, since September, has become a problem of world importance. Inevitably it is a subject that has formed part of every subsequent meeting. Almost every member, and many Branches have been working in their individual capacities.



In April a long and interesting account of life in Prague was given by a refugee who had lived there until after 15th March. Miss Freda Whyte analysed the German demand for Colonies. An expert on the colonial question, she made the subject singularly clear. In February two German pastors, members of the Confessional Church spoke on "The Religious Conflict in Germany." "Women in Council" later printed the summary of their speech and wide interest has been aroused.

The Committee is grateful to Mrs. Dorothy Roden Buxton, who not only suggested the lecturers, but has since kept us informed of new developments.

In April, Mr. Ian McMaster spoke on the history of Poland; a little known historical background was vividly employed to clear up many difficulties. In June, Sir John Pratt, K.B.E., C.M.G., one of our greatest experts in the Far East gave a clear and authoritative account of the situation there. Lady Hosie spoke especially of women's part in the new China. With almost uncanny precision the subjects chosen have coincided with the centres of crisis.

Correspondence has been very large and close touch kept with other Societies, and the year has seen marked unity in aims. The Committee, as part of the whole N.C.W. and through the Executive, helped in the work of the National Petition organised by the National Peace Council asking for a new International Peace Conference, on the lines suggested by President Roosevelt. It followed the text of the urgency resolution passed by an overwhelming majority at the October Conference in London.

Mr. D. G. Kimber came to describe to the Committee the aims of the newly formed "Federal Union." Many members have shared in the work of attending and reporting conferences and meetings as representatives, the President Mrs. A. F. W. Johnson and Mrs. Hartree those of the L.N.U., and of the I.C.W. Peace Committee, Dame Elizabeth Cadbury, Miss Stone, Mrs. Churchill Virgine those of the National Peace Council, the Hon. Secretary the Women's Peace Crusade. Miss Huntsman keeps the Committee in touch with the work of the International Arbitration League, and there are many more.

Mrs. Watts, Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, has contributed summaries of discussions in the House relevant to the Committee's work, an exceedingly difficult task.

In the deaths of Lady Aberdeen and of Dame Maria Ogilvie Gordon the Committee has lost two distinguished and keenly interested members.

Happily Dame Elizabeth, in spite of her serious accident in January, with a courage to which we are accustomed and admire, has presided at all the meetings save one.

#### BRANCH NOTE :

**Birmingham** has a most energetic International Section which takes a special subject for a year's study and has lectures on many aspects of international affairs, reporting very free discussion. It raised £130 for Chinese medical relief.

**Bristol** also has an international section which has studied India this year.

#### International Council of Women Sectional Committee.

*Chairman* : The PRESIDENT, MRS. A. F. W. JOHNSON.

*Hon. Secretary* : MISS INES BLANCH.

The Committee has met five times during the past year.

The resolutions passed at the I.C.W. Conference at Edinburgh were carefully considered and recommendations were made to the Executive on appropriate action to be taken by the sectional committees and branches.

Two very full discussions have been held on the I.C.W. President's Memorandum, and the proposed re-organisation and grouping of Standing Committees.

**Hospitality Committee.** It was recommended that a central panel of five or six members be appointed, who would be willing to entertain I.C.W. members visiting London; and also that one representative from each branch should be responsible for any arrangements which had to be made in her district.

**Reports of I.C.W. Standing Committees.** In order to increase the value and interest of the committee, it was decided to include at each meeting at least one report of a Standing Committee. Reports have been given as follows :—

Press .. .. .	Mrs. Arthur Watts.
Peace and Arbitration ..	Mrs. W. A. Cadbury, J.P.
Fine and Applied Arts ..	Miss de C. Lewthwaite Dewar.
Cinema .. .. .	Mrs. William Fyfe, J.P.

An interesting account was also given at one of the meetings by Miss Matheson of I.C.W. Headquarters activities.

**Young People and the I.C.W.** There have been several discussions on the question of interesting young people in the work of the I.C.W. It was suggested that nationally organised youth movements with international connections should be approached with a view to asking them if they would be willing to co-operate in a conference. The British Representatives on the I.C.W. Standing Committees met to consider whether these proposals could be carried out, and recommended that an opportunity should be made at the Cheltenham Conference to interest young people in the I.C.W., with the possibility of holding a conference later.

**Tea for Triennial Contributors to the I.C.W.** A most successful tea for Triennial Contributors was held at the Women's Sports and Automobile Club, when the Dowager Lady Nunburnholme gave an inspiring address on the work of the I.C.W. It is hoped to have such meetings regularly.

**Associated Country Women of the World Luncheon.** On the recommendation of the Committee a luncheon was given by the N.C.W. to about 50 delegates to the Conference of the Associated Country Women of the World.

The Committee has sustained a very great loss by the death of Dame Maria Ogilvie Gordon, who acted as joint convener with the President until this year, and always took the keenest interest in the work of the I.C.W., of which she had been a leading officer for so many years.

**BRANCH NOTES :**

Donations were sent to I.C.W. funds by several branches.

**Moral Welfare Sectional Committee.**

*Chairman :* THE DOWAGER LADY NUNBURNHOLME, J.P.

*Vice-Chairman :* MISS ALISON NEILANS.

*Hon. Secretary :* MISS D. M. RETCHFORD.

The Moral Welfare Committee met four times during the year, with an average attendance of 40 members.

The Committee gave careful consideration to the following subjects :—

(1) *Informatory Liaison with Scotland Yard.* After considerable correspondence, Sir Norman Kendal (then Assistant Commissioner, now Deputy Commissioner of Metropolitan Police), finally intimated that Scotland Yard felt that any such form of liaison was undesirable and impracticable. This decision caused keen disappointment to the Committee, which feels that such refusal is most regrettable. In the meantime, Mr. S. W. Harris, of the Home Office, kindly promised to meet two or three members of the Committee at any time on questions concerning the Social Questions Committee of the League of Nations.

(2) *Forced Marriages of African Girls.* St. Joan's Social and Political Alliance asked for support in connection with a meeting on this subject. The main points of the resolution to be submitted had already been included in a memorandum sent to the Chairman of the Mandates Commission of the League of Nations in 1934 by the Liaison Committee of Women's International Organisations, and the Moral Welfare Committee therefore recommended that the National Council of Women should support the meeting and resolution.

(3) *Abortion Laws.* At the November meeting, the Committee expressed its opinion that the resolution passed at the Annual Council Meeting in October 1938 required clearer definition. In the view of a large majority of the members, the words "The need for the legalisation of abortion under adequate safeguards" could be interpreted in different ways, making it hard to understand the precise policy to which the Council was committed. Eventually a resolution was passed stating that the Committee intended to take the earliest opportunity, after receiving the report of the Inter-Departmental Committee on Abortion, to bring forward an amendment expressing in more lucid terms the precise meaning of the resolution. After further consideration at the April meeting, it was agreed that a special resolution should be put forward by the Executive for the Council meeting in October, after the issue of the Inter-Departmental Report.

**International Council of Women.** Information with regard to League of Nations Conventions was given by the British representative (Miss Retchford) on the Equal Moral Standard Committee in reply to a request from the Convener. Special stress was laid on the excellent work accomplished by various societies in this country in the education of young people in good morals and good citizenship.

*Addresses :* The Committee was addressed by—

Dr. Letitia Fairfield, C.B.E. on social, medical and moral problems in emergency and war conditions ;

Miss Dorothy Manchee (Lady Almoner, St. Mary's Hospital) on Social Service in the Venereal Disease Clinics ;

Sir Thomas Drummond Shiels on Recreation for our Larger Army ; and

At the April meeting, representatives of eight societies spoke on the education of young people in good citizenship.

**BRANCH NOTES :**

**Birmingham** has a Social and Moral Welfare Committee doing useful work.

**Parliamentary and Legislation Sectional Committee.**

*Chairman :* MRS. A. F. W. JOHNSON.

*Vice-Chairman :* MISS PHILIPPA STRACHEY.

*Hon. Secretary :* MISS DONALD.

During the year 1938-39, the Parliamentary and Legislation Committee met six times, in addition to a joint meeting, in December, with the Public Service and Magistrates Committee, to hear Mr. Harold Scott's address on the *Criminal Justice Bill*. The average attendance was 34 members.

On 8th February, the Standing Committee met to consider two Bills, the *Bastardy Blood Tests Bill* and the *Child Adoption Bill*. It was agreed not to support the former Bill, research not yet having gone far enough, and there was interesting correspondence with the Scandinavian countries where blood tests are taken in dealing with affiliation cases.

Amendments to the *Child Adoption Bill*, which had been sent to Miss Horsbrugh, M.P., by the National Council for the Unmarried Mother and Her Child, were endorsed by this Committee, and she was promised support on these lines. This Bill has now passed into law.

In April, there was an interesting debate on *Corporal Punishment*, Miss C. Craven, J.P., of the Howard League for Penal Reform, speaking in favour of the abolition of flogging, and Mrs. Tate, M.P., taking the opposite side. Keen interest was shown in the subject, as was evident by the number of pertinent questions asked at the close. The President pointed out that the Council had formulated no policy with regard to this subject.

At the July meeting, Mr. T. C. Foley, Secretary of the Pedestrians' Association, gave a helpful address on the Causes and Prevention of *Road Accidents*, giving a resumé of the Report of the Select Committee of the House of Lords.

Among other questions that have occupied the attention of the Committee during the year are—the exclusion of women from membership of any British Stock Exchange; plans for evacuation in case of emergency; and rates of pay for A.R.P. volunteers.

With so many questions of vital interest before Parliament, the Parliamentary Report has continued to grow in importance and size, and the discussions on points raised showed how much the arduous work of the Hon. Parliamentary Secretary was appreciated.

Members voted against the suggestion that the Parliamentary Committee should be abolished and work carried on by the Standing Committee.

#### BRANCH NOTES :

**Lincoln** has a parliamentary sub-committee, **Manchester** a parliamentary group. Several Branches have approached their local M.P.'s asking for support of various Bills including the Public Places (Order and Decency) Bill, the Criminal Justice Bill, the Adoption of Children Bill, and the Nationality of Married Women Bill.

#### Public Health and Child Welfare Sectional Committee.

*Chairman* : THE LADY RUTH BALFOUR, M.B., B.S.  
DR. STELLA CHURCHILL (from June 1939).

*Vice-Chairman* : DR. GENEVIEVE REWCASTLE.

*Hon. Secretary* : DR. MEREDITH CLEMENTS.

Five meetings of the Committee have been held during the year, one being a joint meeting with the Industrial and Insurance Sectional Committee in December 1938.

At the November meeting Lady Ruth Balfour gave an exhaustive report of the findings of the questionnaire on Nutrition. Nutrition also engaged the attention of the members at the February meeting, when Dame Janet Campbell spoke on that subject in its relation to the work of the International Council of Women.

Following a resolution by Colwyn Bay regarding the price of milk, Branches were approached for evidence and as the result of a questionnaire useful information was obtained.

At the meeting in April, Dr. Rewcastle reported on the Conference held by the People's League of Health, when a resolution urging the Government to give practical effect to the enforcement of the pasteurisation of milk as a safeguard against the incidence of tuberculosis, was passed. Dr. Rewcastle represented the N.C.W. on a deputation on this subject from the People's League of Health which was received by the Ministry of Health.

Councillor Mrs. Hilyer gave an interesting demonstration by means of lantern slides of Hydroponics. The Ministry of Agriculture are now recommending her booklet and Kew Gardens authorities have been asked to take up the question.

A resolution sent in by the Surrey Women Citizens' Association in Conference, on the training of midwives in the administration of anaesthetics during child birth, was supported by the Committee on condition that the nature of the anaesthetic, *i.e.*, "gas and air," were named.

The result of the enquiry on non-therapeutic abortion, sent out by the Research Committee of the Joint Committee of Midwifery, was brought to the notice of the Public Health Committee by Lady Rhys Williams, the Hon. Secretary of the above Council. A summary was read to the Committee, and it was proposed that an *Ad Hoc* Committee be formed to consider the policy of the N.C.W. in relation to the recommendations of the Inter-Departmental Committee on Abortion and to formulate a resolution for the Annual Conference.

The questionnaire to the Branches, reported last year, regarding the effect on the health of the public of patent medicines and appliances, brought in 27 replies. Of these 12 gave definite evidence that patent medicines were often injurious and delayed skilled treatment. Two affiliated societies, the National Society for Day Nurseries and the National Women Citizens' Associations were prepared to support legislation to regulate the control of proprietary medicines. A summary was sent to Mr. Charles Hecht, Secretary of the Parliamentary Committee on Food and Health, who, with the Vice-Chairman, Captain Elliston, M.P., expressed great interest in the replies sent. The Committee was addressed

by both Mr. Hecht and Captain Elliston, who urgently appealed for the support of the N.C.W. in efforts to secure legislation against the indiscriminate sale of proprietary medicines and appliances.

#### BRANCH NOTES :

**Burton-on-Trent** has approached the Medical Officer of Health on matters of social hygiene.

**Bristol** has inaugurated a Public Health section which young women are particularly encouraged to join. Its aim is to do practical social work especially in regard to malnutrition.

Several branches co-operated with headquarters in making enquiries about the number of epileptic children of school age.

**St. Albans Branch** visited the Pioneer Health Centre at Peckham. **Ealing, Gloucester** and **King's Lynn** have organised the distribution of milk to needy schoolchildren during the holidays.

**Hull Branch** provided voluntary workers at the Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics.

**Harrogate** collected money for a campaign against rheumatism, and gave substantial help towards the building of the new maternity block at the local hospital. **Carlisle** helped with a week's exhibition organised for the British Empire Leprosy Relief Association.

**Manchester** held a Conference on Milk in co-operation with the local Women Citizens' Association.

**Cheltenham** helped the local Tuberculosis Care Committee and Child Guidance Clinic.

#### Public Service and Magistrates Sectional Committee.

*Chairman* : MISS E. H. KELLY, C.B.E., J.P.

*Vice-Chairman* : MRS. J. M. PHILLIPS, J.P., C.C., and MRS. H. HOLMAN, J.P.

*Secretary* : MISS FORSTER.

The Committee held six meetings including a joint meeting with the Parliamentary and Legislation Committee, and there was a very good attendance at all the meetings. Four new members joined the Committee during the year.

Addresses were given by :—

The Dowager Lady Amptill, C.I., G.B.E., J.P. on the Report of the Departmental Committee on Corporal Punishment.

Mr. Harold Scott, Chairman of the Prison Commission, on the Criminal Justice Bill.

Dr. G. Roche Lynch, O.B.E., M.B., B.S., D.P.H., F.I.C., Senior Official Analyst to the Home Office and Director

of the Department of Criminal Pathology, St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, on the Bastardy Blood Tests Bill.

Miss Cicely Craven, J.P., Secretary of the Howard League for Penal Reform, and Mrs. Tate, M.P., spoke respectively for and against the abolition of corporal punishment.

Mr. G. A. N. Lowndes, M.C., B.Litt., of the Evacuation Department of the Ministry of Health, on evacuation, reception and billeting. Mr. Lowndes gave a very comprehensive outline of the Government plans and was able to clear up many points regarding the detailed working out of the evacuation scheme as it affected those helping in the local organisation.

Mr. John Watson, J.P., Chairman of the Southwark Juvenile Court and author of "Meet the Prisoner," on Juvenile Offenders and After Care, describing how he dealt with these offenders in his own court.

Among other subjects which the Committee considered were sexual offences against young girls, the report of the Inter-Departmental Committee on Abortion, legal aid for poor persons. On the recommendation of the Committee, a resolution was forwarded to the Government urging that free legal aid granted to poor persons in criminal cases should be extended to include both parties in applications under the Separation and Maintenance Acts and under the Bastardy Acts.

#### BRANCH NOTES :

**Birmingham** Citizenship Section has organised very successful luncheons with the idea of keeping members in touch with the work of local government.

**Hull** provided workers for voluntary probation visiting. **Liverpool** was one of the chief promoters of the newly formed Women's Local Government Association, the object of which is to educate women in local politics and to work for the election of more women councillors.

**Maidstone**, after a long struggle, now sees women on the Town Council for the first time.

#### Regional and Branch Representatives Sectional Committee.

*Chairman* : THE PRESIDENT, MRS. A. F. W. JOHNSON.

*Hon. Secretary for the Regional Committees* : MISS N. I. RICKARD.

*Secretary* : THE GENERAL SECRETARY.

In addition to the usual meetings for Regional and Branch reports and other business held in November, February and June, a special meeting during the London Conference in October dis-

cussed the possibility of appointing an organising secretary to help with the formation of new Branches and the re-organisation when necessary of old ones—but the idea of a paid organiser was dropped for the present. Miss Rickard, the Hon. Secretary for the Regional Committees, has given invaluable help in a number of districts, and is always ready to visit Regional Committees or Branches to advise on matters of organisation.

Following the suggestions from the North Eastern Regional Committee a Sub-Committee was formed to consider the possibility of enlarging the powers of the Regional Committees, and recommended that Regional Committees should have the right to nominate candidates for election as Officers and members of the Executive, and also to send in a resolution for the Preliminary List for the Representative Council Meeting, and amendments to the ten selected resolutions. These recommendations will be considered at the Conference at Cheltenham.

There have also been useful discussions on such topics as Branch annual meetings, women special constables, recruiting for Women Police, "Women in Council."

Representatives of the Committee met in April at Leeds, the organisation of a very successful meeting being in the hands of the North Eastern Regional Committee and the Leeds Branch. The Committee in the morning, attended by a number of visitors from neighbouring Branches, was followed by a luncheon, and a larger meeting in the afternoon was addressed by the President, after which Mrs. W. A. Cadbury, J.P., talked on refugee work in Birmingham.

At the last meeting of the year, in June, the vexed question of the financial contributions made by Branches to Headquarters was again under discussion. It is hoped that a more equitable scheme may be evolved after further consideration.

The average attendance has been 41.

#### **Temperance Sectional Committee.**

*Chairman* : MISS CECILE MATHESON.

*Vice-Chairman* : MRS. GOODYEAR.

*Hon. Secretary* : MISS NOEL NYE.

The Committee met three times during the year. In November a presentation was made to Mrs. Goodyear from the members, on the occasion of her retirement from the office of Chairman.

Two resolutions connected with temperance were adopted at the Conference in London. In proposing the Executive resolution dealing with clubs, Mrs. Goodyear said she had an easy task, as she had merely to ask the Conference to re-affirm the policy expressed in 1935 at Leicester. The resolution on Child Fitness sent up by the National Free Church Women's Council was also passed unanimously.

Mr. F. C. Linfield, Hon. Secretary of the Native Races and the Liquor Traffic United Committee, addressed the committee on the subject of "The Native Races and the Liquor Traffic."

In February, Mrs. Goodyear reported that the Home Secretary had received a deputation from the Christian Churches on the matter of Club Legislation. Mr. Geoffrey Lloyd, Under-Secretary, said he would report to Sir Samuel Hoare.

Miss Hilda Dillon addressed the Committee on "The Temperance Collegiate Association" giving a sketch of the history of the association and some traceable results. In June the Rev. T. G. Dunning, M.A., Secretary of the Baptist Union Temperance Committee, gave an interesting address on "Youth's Aversion to Pledged Abstinence."

A resolution on alcohol and road accidents was chosen for discussion at the Cheltenham conference.

#### **BRANCH NOTES :**

Members of the Eastbourne Branch attended the Brewster Sessions to protest against the extension of licences.

#### **Women Police and Patrols Sectional Committee.**

*Chairman* : MISS E. TANCRED.

*Hon. Secretary* : MISS M. COWLIN, J.P.

The report of the Women Police Committee for the past year is, as usual, a record of renewed, if apparently unavailing, efforts on the part of the N.C.W. to secure the appointment of Women Police to work in all County and Borough Forces in England and Wales.

The Report of H.M. Inspectors of Constabulary for England and Wales for 1938 shows that there are four more women police working in the Provinces than in the previous year; but that there are still 52 out of 60 County Forces and 83 out of 121 Borough Forces with no policewomen.

Scotland has now 36 policewomen, 4 more having been appointed last year. While no comment on their work is contained in the Report for England and Wales, H.M. Inspector for Scotland pays a high tribute to their value, which tribute was broadcast in full on the Scottish National.

The establishment of camps and munition works in country areas has shown the need for supervision and patrol work in these districts. The need for this and for preparedness for all kinds of emergency work in public places in case of air raids necessitated a consideration of the policy of the National Council with regard to the re-organisation or otherwise of voluntary patrols for whom the Council was responsible in the late war. Since 1914, the fact that

women doing any form of Police Service in public should work directly under the Police Authorities has been accepted as a principle by the National Council. In view of this, the Home Secretary was approached by the President and asked that the enlistment of Women Special Constables in connection with the National Register might be considered. The Home Secretary replied that Police Authorities had been authorised to use volunteers for motor driving, clerical and canteen duties. A similar reply had been received from the Secretary of State for Scotland. It was felt that this recognition was most inadequate and did not give women the status or duties of Special Constables.

In reply to a question from Miss Rathbone on 22nd June re the appointment of women as Special Constables the Home Secretary replied that the possibility of employing women on emergency work would not necessitate the possession of police powers and the appointment of women as special constables was not contemplated.

The need for the supervision of camps is urgent. The National Federation of Women's Institutes has expressed willingness to co-operate and County Federations have been asked to take up the matter.

The Criminal Justice Bill was published in November, 1938. Clause 40(7) provided that every woman or girl detained in custody must be supervised by "a woman." Clause 72 stated further that detention and supervision to constitute legal custody must be undertaken by a constable. Sir Thomas Moore, at the request of the N.C.W., agreed to move an amendment to Clause 40(7), adding the word "constable" after "supervision by a woman." He further agreed to propose the insertion of a new clause asking that where a woman or girl was in the custody of the police she should be in the custody of a woman. Unfortunately, the amendment had to be withdrawn.

A new and very attractive booklet on the conditions of service, etc., in the Metropolitan Police Force has been published.

The Hon. Secretary of the Women Police Committee is anxious to have names of women wishing to take up police work to add, if candidates prove suitable, to the N.C.W. Register. One of the candidates on this Register has just been appointed to the Oldham Police Force, and is to receive a preliminary training with the Birmingham Police Force.

In February the British National Committee on the Suppression of Traffic in Women and Children accepted for circulation abroad a statement by Miss Tancred giving particulars of Women Police in Great Britain. (See "Women in Council," June 1939.)

In March the President and Miss Tancred interviewed the Chief Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police and promised that the National Council would assist in the recruiting of suitable women. The Commissioner stated that any recruits trained in the

Metropolitan Force could be transferred to their own Forces, should appointments be made in those for which they wished to apply.

Public opinion in favour of women police is undoubtedly growing. The opposition to their appointment comes almost entirely from Chief Constables who have never employed them. We hope that, in the interests of a true democracy, our own Branches and all affiliated societies will continue undeterred by this opposition, and leave no stone unturned until a trained policewoman is available for the work connected with women and children which occurs in every force.

#### BRANCH NOTES :

**Bradford** sent a deputation to the Watch Committee to urge the appointment of additional women police and a public meeting was held. **Carlisle** petitioned the local Watch Committee, but women police have so far been refused.

**Burton-on-Trent, Derbyshire, Middlesbrough, Oldham and North Staffs** have all been busy urging the appointment of women police.

**Glasgow** Branch successfully agitated for additional women police at the Empire Exhibition in 1938. Several Branches have been trying to secure the appointment of women special constables for work in the vicinity of camps.

#### REPORT OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEES AND OF THE WORK OF THE BRANCHES, 1938-39.

This report covers twelve months ending 31st July, 1939.

During the year the Southern Regional Committee ceased to exist, as there had been two Branches only in that region. Farnham and Portsmouth are therefore now included in the South Eastern Regional Committee. The value of the other Regional Committees has been shown in a record of steady work and in the circulation of much useful information in the conferences arranged. Considerable interest has been aroused by suggested alterations in the Constitution which would enlarge the powers of Regional Committees.

#### Eastern Counties Regional Committee.

*Chairman* : MRS. HARPER SMITH.

*Secretary* : MRS. HARTREE.

The Committee has met twice during the year ; in November at Cambridge and in June at King's Lynn. At each meeting reports of the work of the Branches are given, which produce valuable discussion and are of help to the representatives of the other Branches

present. In November the resolutions passed at the London Conference were considered and suggestions made for taking action thereon. The meeting in June coincided with the receipt of the preliminary list of resolutions for the Cheltenham Conference, and members were therefore able to discuss them before their consideration in the Branches.

Miss Rickard, Hon. Secretary for the Regional Committees, attended the meeting at King's Lynn, and gave a short review of the work of the Regional Committees.

At the meeting in Cambridge a Branch meeting was held and Dr. Walker, Hon. Medical Secretary of the newly formed Cambridge Public Medical Service, gave an account of the provisions of the Service, which follow the lines of the scheme laid down by the British Medical Association.

At the luncheon at King's Lynn, Mrs. Donzé, Hon. Secretary of the Nationality of Married Women Committee, spoke on "British Wives of Aliens ; their Disabilities," and laid stress on the great importance, particularly at the present time, of the Bill for which a campaign was being organised both in the country and in Parliament.

#### **Home Counties Regional Committee.**

*Chairman :* MISS CECILE MATHESON.

*Hon. Secretary :* MISS INES BLANCH.

Three meetings of the Committee have been held, in November at 21, Gower Street, in February at Porchester Terrace by kind invitation of the Hon. Mrs. Franklin, and in May at Berkhamsted when the Berkhamsted Branch kindly organised a most interesting visit to Ashridge, the Bonar Law Memorial College.

In addition, a special meeting of branch representatives was held in March at 19, Elsworthy Road by kind invitation of Miss Matheson, to discuss questions of finance, powers of regional committees, etc.

Branch reports were given at most of the meetings. It has been a year of great activity, as besides their usual social service, most branches have co-operated in the work for refugees and are assisting in the plans for national defence.

#### **East Midland Regional Committee.**

*Chairman :* MRS. R. F. PERCY.

*Secretary :* MRS. W. S. ROTHERA.

The East Midland Regional Committee has had four meetings during the year. A meeting at the house of the Chairman to discuss the preliminary resolutions was well attended.

Newark and Southwell entertained the Committee at a one-day conference in November. The usual procedure was followed, a business meeting in the morning when each branch gave its report, and many interesting matters were discussed, lunch with the branch, and then a speaker in the afternoon. Chesterfield was the hostess branch in February. This was well attended and very successful, and opened the door to fuller discussion of the status of the part-time daily worker. This subject was dealt with in detail at the day conference at Derby in June, when Miss Storey of the Ministry of Labour (Nottingham) dealt with all the facts that were wanted. The annual meeting took place that day, and it gave great pleasure to all the branches that the National President, Mrs. A. F. W. Johnson, was present. Lunch with the branch followed at which Mrs. Johnson gave an inspiring talk. A delightful afternoon was spent at Suffield, and during tea Miss Rickard, Hon. Secretary for the Regional Committees, spoke quite informally about Regional work in general.

The year has certainly been one of useful work, and the co-operation and willingness of each branch to help the other is very real and a great asset to the work in general.

#### **West Midland Regional Committee.**

*Chairman :* MRS. J. G. EMANUEL.

*Secretary :* MRS. W. E. HICKS.

The West Midland Regional Committee has followed the usual procedure of holding two business meetings in Birmingham and a One-Day Conference at one of the Branches. All meetings have been well attended.

Following reports given by Mrs. Potts and Mrs. Barnes on the "Marriage Council" which had been formed in Birmingham, members were invited to make enquiries in their own districts as to—

- (1) The number of separation orders granted to young married couples and
- (2) If anything (or what) was being done to give advice to young couples about to marry.

There have been interesting discussions on the subject. A copy of the pamphlet issued by the Marriage Council has been sent to every member of the Committee. Mrs. Hicks and Mrs. Cardinal Taylor were appointed to the special Regional Committee.

The One-Day Conference was held in Coventry and the subject was "Community Centres and Associations." This Conference, which was fully reported in "Women in Council" proved extremely interesting and the attendance most gratifying.

### **Northern Regional Committee.**

*Chairman* : MRS. ALDERSON, M.A., J.P.

*Secretary* : MISS TRUTTMAN.

The Northern Regional Committee consists of four Branches, with little possibility of expansion. It can report no great achievement in the last year, but has met three times. These committees have been invaluable in consolidating and clarifying opinion, and lines of action on various problems.

The Region concentrates on the question of Women Police, but has made little progress in the face of great conservatism.

There has been co-operation in the matter of speakers, to the mutual advantage of the Branches concerned.

For the next three years, Carlisle has agreed to convene the Committee, with Mrs. Wakefield as Chairman.

### **North Eastern Regional Committee.**

*Chairman* : LADY LAWSON TANCREDE, J.P.

*Secretary* : MRS. ANGELO RAINE.

This Committee has met four times during the year, and in addition two special meetings have been held.

The first committee discussed the preliminary list of Conference resolutions and for the first time formed two special sub-committees—(1) Women Police, and (2) Pooling of Speakers.

The Committee met again at York in October to receive reports from sub-committees. Two lecture tours had been arranged—Miss Robinson on Child Guidance, and Miss Cowan on the I.C.W. Conference at Edinburgh.

The Committee sent a resolution to Headquarters, dealing with amendments to the Constitution regarding the powers of Regional Committees.

At Huddersfield in January a morning meeting for business and Branch Reports was followed by a lunch and a meeting in the afternoon addressed by Lady Lawson Tancred on the National Register, as well as by the Medical Officer for Huddersfield, Dr. Gibson, on Maternity and Child Welfare.

The last meeting held in Bradford for election of officers, Branch reports and conference business, was followed by a luncheon and in the afternoon the Bradford Branch had arranged a delightful outing by bus to Bolling Hall and Bolling Hall High School for Girls, where the party was entertained to tea by the Headmistress.

The Regional and Branch Representatives Sectional Committee met in Leeds on 27th April at 11.30 a.m. Luncheon was followed by a meeting addressed by the President, Mrs. A. F. W. Johnson. These meetings organised by a small sub-committee formed of Leeds Branch and N.E. Regional representatives were most helpful and enjoyable.

At a meeting held in Todmorden, presided over by the Mayor of Todmorden, the speakers were Lady Lawson-Tancred and Mrs. Hartree, an Hon. Vice-President of the N.C.W. to whom the committee owe very special thanks for coming from such a distance. At this meeting a new Branch of the N.C.W. was formed with 40 members, a President, Vice-President, Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer.

All the Committees have been well attended by representatives from the Branches in this region and the exchange of ideas and information given proves the great use of Regional Committees.

Most Branches work in some way to help the unemployed.

### **North Western Regional Committee.**

*Chairman* : THE LADY CAWLEY.

*Secretary* : MRS. CLAYDON.

This Committee has met three times during the last year, in November at Manchester, in May at Southport and in June at Llangollen, by invitation of those branches.

At Southport the Regional Committee was helped and inspired by a visit from the President, Mrs. A. F. W. Johnson. The question of the time given to Headquarters business at Branch meetings and the circulation of the N.C.W. magazine, "Women in Council" were emphasised and discussed.

The North Western Regional Committee much regrets that the Lady Cawley has felt obliged to resign from the committee of which she has been Chairman since 1931. The Regional Committee has been greatly indebted to her for her leadership and generosity, and wish to record their deep appreciation of her services. At Llangollen, Miss Allington Hughes, J.P., was elected Chairman in her stead.

### **South Eastern Regional Committee.**

*Chairman* : MISS MILMAN.

*Secretary* : MISS NORAH E. GREEN.

This Committee now consists of representatives from ten Branches, Farnham and Portsmouth Branches having recently joined it, while Mortlake with East Sheen Branch has resigned.

Miss Milman has been re-elected as Chairman, while Miss Norah Green on her resignation as Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, has been appointed as Vice-Chairman. Councillor Miss Huxtable of Tunbridge Wells has been elected as Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

The Committee has met three times during the year. The June meeting was held in Eastbourne by invitation of the Branch, which entertained the Committee to luncheon, when the President gave a most informative speech on the recent work of the N.C.W.



The members were afterwards driven out to see the Open Air School on the South Downs. The other meetings continue to be held at 63, Catherine Place, Buckingham Gate, by kind permission of Mrs. Wilson Potter, her entertainment of the members at tea giving a much appreciated opportunity for social intercourse. The Committee is also indebted to Mrs. Wilson Potter for effecting a saving to the funds by getting the necessary typing done.

The Committee is a Triennial Contributor to the I.C.W.

#### South Western Regional Committee.

*Chairman* : MRS. J. L. LOVIBOND, J.P.

*Secretary* : MRS. MEECH.

The Committee has met four times, representatives from Branches attending each meeting and giving a report of activities.

The outstanding event of the year was the visit of the President, Mrs. A. F. W. Johnson, to the Branches. This visit was very much appreciated and it was felt that it greatly increased the interest of the members. The Committee has learned with satisfaction that this year more members of the Branches have been able to attend the Sectional Committees in London.

A resolution was sent from the April meeting to the Dorset Standing Joint Committee urging that women special constables should be appointed for patrol duty near camps.

#### Western Regional Committee.

*Chairman* : MISS E. H. SMITH, J.P.

*Secretary* : MISS C. L. MORANT.

The Western Regional Committee has had four meetings during the year when the various Branches have told of their activities. Lady Ruth Balfour came to Bristol in February to speak on the Empire Crusade against rheumatism. All Branches in the Region were visited, and a large open meeting was held in the University Hall. Lady Ruth also spoke to some of the Branches on the arrangements made at the Edinburgh Conference.

In July Miss Rickard spoke most helpfully to the Committee on the work of Regional Committees. It has been arranged that at each Committee meeting two or three different members should be invited from each Branch in turn, in order to make the work of the Branches more widely known. All Branches are helping in A.R.P. work, and doing valuable work for refugees.

#### Scottish Standing Committee.

*Chairman* : MISS H. M. BLAIR.

*Secretary* : MRS. DAVID PATERSON.

The Committee met in **Glasgow, Edinburgh, Perth** and

**Aberdeen.** The Sub-Committees on Cinema, Health, Finance, Marriage and Divorce, and Police have also met as required. Mrs. Shaw Dunn, M.D., D.Sc., Chairman of the Health Committee, undertook to obtain the views of several leading experts on the Bastardy (Blood Tests) Bill and the result of her enquiry was sent to the appropriate Committee. The Police Committee keeps in close touch with the Sectional Committee and Branches have been asked to stimulate recruiting for Women Police. The Scottish Standing Committee has been active in pressing for the formation of a Branch of women special constables for use in a national emergency. The Scottish Office has drawn the Chief Constables' attention to the value of these services should the need arise.

All Branches have been taking part in A.R.P. work in their localities and the Scottish Standing Committee has been represented on Women's Voluntary Services for Civil Defence.

The decorative Panel by Miss Sadie McLellan, lent to the Empire Exhibition in Glasgow by the N.C.W. has been given to the Hall of the women students of St. Andrew's University.

The Scottish Standing Committee has to record its deep sorrow at the losses sustained during the year in the deaths of its President, Ishbel, Marchioness of Aberdeen and Temair, G.B.E., LL.D., J.P., and also of Mrs. Kerr, Mrs. Mudie and Miss Christine Turnbull.

#### BRANCH WORK.

##### General.

Lack of space unfortunately prevents any account of the lecture and discussion meetings which play such an important part in the activities of the Branches. As elsewhere indicated the Branches have undertaken a formidable amount of work as their share in national defence organisation, and in work for refugees, but obviously there has been no neglect of the normal claims of peace time social service.

It is satisfactory to report friendly co-operation with other societies, and the following are a few examples :—

**Bedford** annually organises a United Women's religious service ; **Bristol** held a joint meeting with the Soroptimists and the Federation of University Women, the subject being "Residential Flats for Girls." **Birmingham** co-operated with the Clergy Wives Club in a meeting about conditions in the nursing profession. **Maidstone** opened their session with a church service to which other women's organisations were invited.

Headquarters Office is indebted to many Branches for loyal co-operation in collecting information on nutrition, conditions in nursing and domestic service, public mortuaries, hours of employment for young people, housecraft in schools, after-care of epileptics, etc. Most Branches have responded promptly when asked to

approach their local M.P.'s on various questions, and, with very few exceptions, returns and reports have been sent punctually. This is very much appreciated in the office.

One feature of growing popularity has been the development of luncheon and tea clubs. More than one Branch finds it convenient to have alternate afternoon and evening meetings in order to suit women of widely varying occupations.

Numbers have notably increased in the following Branches—Cheltenham, Greenock, Leeds, Northumberland and Newcastle, Spensborough, Wrexham. The growing number of printed Branch reports, carefully compiled and pleasing in appearance, is very noticeable this year.

#### EXAMPLES OF GENERAL SOCIAL WORK.

**Aberdeen** Branch was instrumental in keeping open several of the local church halls for young people to meet socially after every service.

**Andover** collected money and clothing for a Women's Club in a Distressed Area, and **Bath** helped unemployed miners in Durham.

**Berkhamsted.** The Girls' Club continues to fill a great need and pays its way. A Working Party meets weekly and sends regular parcels to the Rhondda Valley.

**Bilston** has contributed generously to the Bilston Children's Holiday Camp, Spanish Refugees, S. Staffs and Cannock Close Council of Social Women's Holiday Fund.

**Bromley and District** from its annual sale of goods made by Blind Workers, sent £142 to the National Society for the Blind.

**Burton-on-Trent** has a member elected on the Public Assistance Committee and the Militia Objections Board.

**Colwyn Bay** co-operated with school teachers in investigating cases of needy schoolchildren and raised a fund for providing boots and shoes.

At **Ealing** a very busy needlework guild meets monthly.

**Eastbourne** helped to organise a clothes depot which assisted 300 of the unemployed.

**Edinburgh** continued to take part in the work of teaching invalid children in their homes. The Branch is helping to raise a fund to provide flags for H.M.S. Edinburgh for special occasions. Edinburgh joint W.C.A. and N.C.W. has agreed to be responsible for the future management of the Social Service Library.

**Farnham** invited senior girls from the Farnham Girls'

Grammar School to tea and to hear a speaker on the nursing profession.

**Gerrards Cross and Chalfont St. Peter** held a stall at the local hospital fete and, through the League of Flower Givers, sends flowers to town once a week to be distributed by the Church Army.

**Harrogate** has continued to help the Girls' Club it was largely instrumental in forming.

**Harrow** has a record of much practical social work, completely re-equipping the Nursery School with overalls and helping their funds, working for old people and other necessitous cases and organising various charitable collections.

**Hastings and St. Leonards** co-operated with other societies against the granting of a Betting Licence to a proposed Greyhound Racing track in St. Leonards and subsequently the Watch Committee refused to grant the licence.

**Leeds** reports successful efforts to further safety on the roads.

**Leicester** gave help at a Leprosy Exhibition.

**Lincoln** contributed to Miss Picton-Turbervill's Fund for rescued Child Slaves in China.

**Mortlake and East Sheen** members give practical examples of social work, such as reading to hospital patients, visiting lonely old people, and at mental institutions, from which parties of patients have also been entertained.

**North Staffs** largely supports the Y.W.C.A. Hostel.

A **Nottingham** member has been leader of a community centre.

**Oldham** reports a useful year's work done by their Women's Hostel.

**Perth** co-operated with the Sorooptimists to raise funds for a Nursery School, and contributed to Miss Picton-Turbervill's Fund.

**Ruislip** sent garments once again to the Over-Thirty Association and other organisations.

**Southport and Birkdale** were responsible for a successful session at the Disabled Soldiers and Sailors Exhibition.

**Spensborough** again made a collection for an infirmary.

**Stirling** continued to take active practical interest in three societies founded by it, Thistle Property Trust Ltd., After-Care of Invalid Children and the Goodwill Club.

**York** gave support to the Community Council of York.

# RESOLUTIONS

PASSED AT THE

REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL MEETING,

LONDON,

14th—16th October, 1938.

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## International Situation.

(a) The National Council of Women, in Conference assembled, desires to place on record its profound agreement with the pronouncement made by President Roosevelt in his message to Herr Hitler on 26th September :—

“That no problem is so difficult nor so pressing for solution that it cannot be justly solved by resort to reason, rather than by resort to force.”

and its recognition of the great personal efforts of the Prime Minister to this end.

Further, it fervently hopes that H.M. Government will endorse President Roosevelt's plea that a wide International Conference should be called to consider all outstanding problems endangering the peace of the world.

Carried, 12 dissentients.

(b) In response to an appeal made to this Council by the women of Czechoslovakia, the National Council of Women urges His Majesty's Government to instruct their representative on the International Commission to do everything possible to ensure the fair and safe transfer of populations.

Carried unanimously.

(c) While recognising that the immediate danger of war has been averted, the National Council of Women considers that the States Members should take steps towards the revision and reconstruction of the League of Nations, in the light of its successes and failures during the last twenty years.

Further, the N.C.W. urges that in this reconstruction the Covenant should be separated from the Peace Treaties.

Carried unanimously.

## 1. Offices Regulation.

The National Council of Women calls the attention of His Majesty's Government to the fact that the Public Health Acts fail to secure suitable conditions for those working in offices ; and urges that the regulation of hours and conditions of work in offices, particularly with regard to the sanitary accommodation, cleanliness, light and ventilation should be administered by the Home Office, and that legislation for this purpose should be introduced.

Carried, 1 dissentient.

## 2. Clubs.

That the National Council of Women shares the concern of responsible authorities throughout the country regarding the continued delay in the introduction of the promised Government Bill to deal with the Club problem, and regrets that the Government could not after all introduce the Bill during this Session.

The Council, though aware of the extreme pressure of business, now urges H.M. Government to give an immediate assurance that the Clubs Bill will have a prominent position in the programme for the next Session of Parliament. It further urges the necessity of ensuring that the provisions of the Bill conform to the recommendations of the recent Royal Commission on Licensing.

Carried *nem. con.*

## 3. Mental Health and Local Authorities.

That the National Council of Women considers that Local Authorities should be strongly urged under the provisions of the Mental Treatment Act, 1930, to appoint a Mental Health Committee to co-ordinate all the Mental Health Services in their areas in order to prevent gaps and overlapping, and especially to extend the facilities for :—

1. Child Guidance, in association with the Local Education Committee, and

2. The early and preventive treatment of nervous breakdown and incipient mental disorder.

Carried unanimously.

#### 4. Women Police Surgeons.

The National Council of Women urges the Home Secretary to issue a Circular to all Police Authorities in England and Wales recommending the appointment of a Woman Police Surgeon for the examination of women and children especially having regard to the numerous cases of sexual assault which occur.

Carried unanimously.

#### \*5. Abortion Laws.

The National Council of Women welcomes the action of the Government in setting up an Inter-departmental Committee to enquire into the prevalence of abortion and the law dealing with criminal abortion.

In view of the fact that the present wide disregard of this law causes incalculable harm to women who resort to illegal and dangerous methods of abortion, this Council begs to draw the attention of the Minister of Health to :—

1. The need for the legalisation of abortion under adequate safeguards ;

2. The need for the provision by Public Health Authorities of contraceptive information to all married women who desire it.

Carried : 236 for, 12 against.

\* The Mothers' Union has written dissociating itself from this resolution.

#### 6. Epileptics, Community Care of.

That the National Council of Women, recognising that no organisation exists for the after-care of the epileptic, is of opinion that such service should be provided, which should have as its chief concern the welfare of the adolescent boy and girl discharged from Residential Special Schools and Colonies for Epileptics ;

and further that, as epileptics are not included in the categories of physically and mentally handicapped persons entitled to the

assistance of Local Authorities, this Conference considers that the Government should be urged to recognise that, in view of the difficulty of finding and retaining work for epileptics, their community care is as essential a duty of Local Authorities as are their maintenance and education in Residential Special Schools and Colonies.

Carried *nem. con.*

#### 7. Hospital Pay Beds for all.

The National Council of Women begs to urge that immediate steps be taken to increase pay beds in large hospitals for the treatment of all classes irrespective of income.

Carried, 8 against.

#### 8. Van Zeeland Report.

That the National Council of Women cordially welcomes the Van Zeeland report as offering a most valuable approach to the solution of international problems which are causing widespread unrest and may lead to war ; and urgently requests His Majesty's Government to invite other nations to co-operate in seeking a peaceful solution of these problems along the lines indicated in the report ; and, with this end in view, to set up without delay expert preparatory commissions to deal with the various questions involved.

Carried : 9 against.

#### 9. Refugees and Stateless Persons.

The National Council of Women deeply moved by the distress of the refugees and stateless persons for whom assistance, the right to work and possibilities of rehabilitation should be assured and considering that the problems can only be solved internationally, expresses the wish that the humanitarian work carried on by the Nansen Committee and similar organisations be continued in some suitable form, under the auspices of the League of Nations.

Alive to the difficulties which the presence of immigrants creates in other nations, the National Council of Women :—

Supports the resolution adopted by the Evian Conference on July 14th, 1938 (which asks that involuntary emigrants be allowed to take with them their property and possessions) and urges that negotiations should be initiated on these lines ; and that the Conventions concerning the International Statute of Refugees of October 1933 and of February 1938 be ratified and implemented.

Further, the Council begs His Majesty's Government immediately to explore the possibilities of receiving Refugees within the Empire in consultation with the Governments of the Dominions.

Carried *nem. con.*

#### 10. Physical Fitness.

The National Council of Women supports the work of the National Fitness Council which, under the Physical Training and Recreation Act of 1937, aims at the encouragement of voluntary physical training and recreation and the establishment of centres for social activities.

But the National Council of Women urges that wherever centres for recreational training are set up, due regard should be paid to the adequate training of all instructors and to the conditions under which training is carried on; to the suitability of any particular system of training to the individuals concerned; and to the factors controlling the development of the aesthetic, moral and spiritual as well as the physical powers of the individual.

To this end the National Council of Women would urge upon all Regional Fitness Councils and upon all Local Authorities the importance of the following factors in a physical fitness campaign:—

1. Adequate medical supervision of physical training.
2. Suitability of systems of training, those for women and girls being specially considered with a view to promoting easy childbirth.
3. The healthy development of the young child through ante-natal supervision of the mother and subsequent attendance of the child at Welfare Centres and Nursery Schools.
4. A knowledge of the basis of positive health, provision for character training and guidance in sex behaviour.
5. A balanced and sufficient diet including instruction on this and on the effect of alcohol on the body.
6. Sufficient rest and sleep.
7. A maximum of natural sunlight and of fresh air day and night
8. Hygienic clothing and cleanliness.
9. The encouragement of practical and artistic hobbies at these recreational centres.

Carried unanimously.

#### 11. Adoption Abroad of British Children.

This Conference, recognising the particular necessity for the protection of Children taken out of the country, urges the British

Government to give effect to the following recommendation of the Departmental Committee on Adoption Societies and Agencies:

"It should be an offence for an adoption society or any other body or person to arrange for a British child (a) to be taken out of the country for adoption by foreign nationals, or (b) to be taken out of the country for adoption by British subjects, without a licence from the Chief Magistrate of the Metropolitan Police Courts or any Magistrate of the Metropolitan Police Courts appointed by Order in Council for the purpose."

Carried, 1 against.

#### 12. Domestic Science, Instruction in.

The National Council of Women welcomes the fact that the examining Boards in England and Wales have included Domestic Science in the subjects for the examination for the School Leaving Certificate, and urges that in all schools for girls and boys, instruction in housecraft, which is at present included under the term 'Domestic Science' should at some suitable time during their school life be a compulsory part of the curriculum.

199 for, 81 against.

#### 13. Child Fitness.

Whereas the Children and Young Persons Act, 1933, whilst excluding children from the bar itself, does not exclude them from rooms, passages and gardens connected with licensed premises, it is known that children from a few weeks old to those of school age are often on the premises until and after closing time. Realising how detrimental this is to the moral and physical fitness of the children of our nation and having in mind the drive for National Fitness being made by His Majesty's Government, the National Council of Women urges that the law be altered concerning this evil and legislation be secured to exclude all children from the vicinity of licensed drinking bars after seven p.m.

Carried *nem. con.*

14. The National Council of Women urges that representations should be made to the Government and to all public authorities pointing out the obvious importance of ensuring that the staffs of all public services should normally include an adequate proportion of those not liable for other service in posts of direction and in a consultative capacity so that in time of emergency any necessary withdrawal of members of those staffs would not cause undue dislocation of the services.

With this in view an immediate policy should be adopted of recruiting, training and promoting competent women to fill a number of such posts in the ordinary course, it being necessary in the interests of men and women alike that pay and conditions should be the same for both sexes. In order to ensure that women found to be suitable should be encouraged to retain the posts for which they have been fitted by training and experience the rule that women should retire on marriage should be abrogated.

And further that every effort should be made to call the attention of all private employers of labour to the fact that the interest of the country as well as of their own business calls for a similar policy.

Carried, 16 against.



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## THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN. ORIGIN.

The National Council has sprung from small beginnings, as have many organisations which fulfil a need. In 1876 Miss Ellice Hopkins, during her strenuous efforts to educate public opinion on questions of morals, began, for the purposes of preventive and rescue work, to found Ladies' Associations for the Care of Friendless Girls. In 1889 a Conference of the Yorkshire Associations was held at Barnsley—the idea having been possibly taken from a very successful Conference, presided over by Lady Aberdeen the year before at Aberdeen. This Conference was arranged by Miss Gray and Miss Janes, until 1914 the organising secretary of the N.C.W., to whose untiring work and self-devotion the Council owes in great part its existence. Birmingham ladies, among whom were Mrs. Phillip, Mrs. Hallows and Miss E. H. Cadbury, who were present at Barnsley, warmly took up the idea of such a meeting, and in 1890 the Birmingham Union of Women Workers, with Miss Stacey as its Secretary, held a well attended and most interesting Conference, when papers on various subjects connected with work amongst women and girls were read.

Meetings of the same sort followed in Liverpool, under Mrs. Alfred Booth, and in Bristol, Glasgow, and Leeds, under the presidency of Adeline, Duchess of Bedford. These were arranged by the local Unions of Women Workers. At some of these Conferences schemes for a more organised and formal body were suggested, notably by Miss Hubbard, whose staunch support did much for the Conferences. At the Nottingham Conference, held in October, 1895, the National Union of Women Workers (now known as the National Council of Women) was formally constituted, with Mrs. Creighton as its first President.

Miss Norah Green was appointed Secretary in January, 1904, and continued to hold office until her retirement as General Secretary in January, 1934.

## CONFERENCE & REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL MEETINGS.

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\*Adeline, Duchess of Bedford, was President of the Central Conference Council from 1892 to 1894, but the Conferences were presided over by residents previous to 1895. No Conferences were held in 1899 and 1901.

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Loney, Miss ..	1	1	0
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Lovibond, Mrs., J.P. ..	1	0	0
Ludlow, Lady ..	2	2	0
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Macdonald, Miss L. ..	1	1	0
Macdonald, Miss M. A. ..	10	6	
Macdougall, Miss ..	5	0	
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Maclagan, Miss D. ..	12	6	
Macmillan, the late Miss Chry- stal, B.Sc., M.A. ..	5	0	
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Mathew, Miss C. J. ..	5	0	
Maughan, Miss ..	5	0	
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Runciman, Hon. Mrs. Walter ..	1	1	0
Russell, Hon. Mrs. Hamilton ..	5	0	
Sant Elia, Contessa di (1938-39) ..	1	0	0
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Swaffield, Miss ..	5	0	
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Tozer, Miss F. L. ..	10	0	
Thornton, Mrs. ..	5	0	
Trent, Lady ..	1	0	0
Turner, Mrs. ..	10	0	
Turner, Miss ..	5	0	
Turrill, Mrs. ..	5	0	
Unknown ..	5	0	
Valpy, Mrs. (1938-39) ..	3	3	0
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White, Mrs. ..	5	0	
Whitwell, Miss, J.P. ..	1	1	0
Willis, Mrs. ..	5	0	
Wilson, Dr. Helen ..	10	0	
Wilson, the late Miss T. F. ..	5	0	
Woodgate, Mrs. ..	5	0	
Wolseley-Lewis, Miss ..	5	0	
Worsley, Miss M. T. ..	10	0	
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Yate-Lee, Miss ..	1	0	0
Yates, Miss E. M. ..	10	6	
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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
ENGLAND.						
Andover .. .. .	10	0	5	0	0	
Aylesbury .. .. .	2	7	6	5	0	0
Bath (1938-39) .. .	2	15	9	10	0	0
Bedford (£5—1938-39)	3	9	5	10	0	0
Berkhamsted .. .	—	—	5	0	0	
Bilston (1938-39) .. .	3	1	6	10	0	0
Birmingham .. .	7	15	6	5	0	0
Bournemouth .. .	6	6	11	5	0	0
Bradford .. .. .	5	17	6	5	0	0
Bridlington .. .	4	5	0	5	0	0
Brighton .. .. .	2	13	9	—	—	
Bristol .. .. .	6	6	0	5	0	0
Bromley .. .. .	2	10	0	5	0	0
Burton .. .. .	1	7	6	5	0	0
Cambridge .. .	—	—	—	—	—	
Carlisle .. .. .	2	19	0	5	0	0
Cheltenham .. .	3	0	0	5	0	0
Chesterfield .. .	3	5	8	5	0	0
Chorley Wood .. .	2	18	0	5	0	0
Coventry .. .. .	14	6	—	5	0	0
Croydon .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	
Derbyshire .. .	2	1	6	5	0	0
Ealing .. .. .	4	7	6	5	0	0
Eastbourne (1938-39 subs.)	12	5	0	5	0	0
Farnham .. .. .	1	2	0	5	0	0
Gerrards Cross .. .	1	5	6	5	0	0
Gloucester .. .	2	3	0	5	0	0
Halifax .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	
Hampstead .. .	—	—	—	—	—	
Harpندن .. .. .	3	2	6	5	0	0
Haslemere (balance of funds) .. .	1	9	4	—	—	
Harrogate .. .. .	1	12	6	5	0	0
Harrow .. .. .	2	0	0	5	0	0
Hastings .. .. .	4	1	0	5	0	0
Hornsey .. .. .	5	12	2	5	0	0
Huddersfield .. .	1	5	0	5	0	0
Hull .. .. .	8	1	3	5	0	0
King's Lynn .. .	1	5	0	5	0	0
Leeds .. .. .	2	10	0	5	0	0
Leicester .. .. .	8	0	0	5	0	0
Lincoln .. .. .	7	0	0	5	0	0
Liverpool .. .. .	3	12	6	5	0	0
London .. .. .	12	2	4	5	0	0
Maidstone (1938-39 subs.) .. .. .	5	4	0	5	0	0
Malvern .. .. .	1	10	0	5	0	0
Manchester .. .	3	6	6	5	0	0
Mansfield .. .		5	9	5	0	0
Middlesbrough .. .	2	1	3	5	0	0
Mortlake .. .. .	2	0	0	5	0	0
Newark .. .. .	2	16	11	5	0	0
Norfolk and Norwich	12	14	0	5	0	0
North Staffs. .. .	1	8	6	5	0	0
Northumberland .. .	7	11	3	5	0	0
Nottingham .. .	22	6	6	5	0	0
Oldham .. .. .	2	10	0	5	0	0
Peterborough .. .	2	15	0	5	0	0
Portsmouth .. .	2	0	6	5	0	0
Richmond .. .	5	19	0	5	0	0
Ruislip .. .. .	1	10	0	5	0	0
St. Albans .. .	12	4	2	5	0	0
Salisbury .. .. .	2	18	0	5	0	0
Sheffield .. .. .	11	16	3	5	0	0
South Dorset .. .	—	—	—	5	0	0
Southport and Birk- dale .. .. .	3	13	6	5	0	0
Spenborough .. .	2	0	0	5	0	0
Stockton .. .. .	3	10	0	5	0	0
Torquay (£5—1938-39) .. .	1	14	9	10	0	0
Tunbridge Wells .. .	5	2	9	5	0	0
Watford .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	
Wolverhampton .. .	4	0	0	5	0	0
Worthing .. .. .	1	0	0	5	0	0
York .. .. .	3	4	4	5	0	0
SCOTLAND.						
Aberdeen .. .. .	6	6	3	5	0	0
Dundee .. .. .	2	10	0	5	0	0
Edinburgh .. .	11	15	7	5	0	0
Glasgow .. .. .	5	0	0	5	0	0
Greenock .. .. .	4	2	9	5	0	0
North Ayrshire .. .	9	0	—	5	0	0
Perth .. .. .	2	10	0	5	0	0
Stirling .. .. .	2	0	0	5	0	0
WALES.						
Bangor .. .. .	1	12	11	5	0	0
Colwyn Bay .. .	1	5	6	5	0	0
Llangollen .. .	2	10	0	5	0	0
Wrexham .. .. .	1	10	0	—	—	
	<u>£315</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>£400</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Note: Branch Membership numbers will be found on pages 56 and 57.

I.—AFFILIATED SOCIETIES.

	Subscrip- tions.		
	£	s.	d.
Abortion Law Reform Association .. .. .	1	1	0
Alexandra College Guild (1935-38) .. .	6	0	0
Alexandra College, Dublin .. .	10	0	0
Alliance of Honour .. .	1	1	0
Anglican Group for the Ordination of Women .. .	1	1	0
Animal Welfare, National Council for .. .	1	1	0
Assistant Mistresses in Public Schools, Incorp. Association of .. .	1	1	0
Association for Moral and Social Hygiene .. .	1	1	0
Beckenham Women Citizens' Association .. .	10	6	0
Bedford College for Women .. .	1	1	0
British College of Nurses .. .	1	1	0
British Dental Association .. .	1	1	0
British Social Hygiene Council .. .	1	1	0
Brotherhood Movement Incorporated (Sisterhood Section) .. .	1	1	0
Canning Town Women's Settlement .. .	1	1	0
Charity Organisation Society .. .	1	1	0
Child Guidance Council .. .	1	1	0
Chiropodists, Incorporated Society of .. .	1	1	0
Church Army .. .	1	1	0
Church of England Advisory Board for Moral Welfare Work .. .	1	1	0
Church of England Temperance Society (Women's Union) .. .	1	1	0
Church of Scotland Women's Guild .. .	1	1	0
College Hall .. .	10	0	0
College of Nursing, Incorp. .. .	1	1	0
Colonial and Continental Church Society (Ladies' Association) .. .	10	0	0
Conservative and Unionist Associations, National Union of .. .	1	1	0
Conservative Women's Reform Association .. .	1	1	0
Coulsdon and Purley W.C.A. .. .	1	1	0
County and County Borough Hospital Matrons' Association .. .	1	1	0
Day Nurseries, National Society of .. .	1	1	0
Electrical Association for Women (1938-39) .. .	2	2	0
Epileptics, National Society for .. .	1	1	0
Equal Citizenship, National Council for .. .	1	1	0
Eugenics Society (1939-40) .. .	2	2	0
Exeter Diocesan Deaconesses .. .	10	0	0
Factory Girls' Country Holiday Fund .. .	1	1	0
Food Education Society .. .	1	1	0
Girls' Clubs, National Council of .. .	1	1	0
Girls' Friendly Society (Central Council) .. .	1	1	0
Girls' Friendly Society (Scotland) .. .	10	0	0
Girls' Guides Association .. .	1	1	0
Girls' Guildry .. .	1	1	0
Greyladies' College of Women Church Workers .. .	1	1	0
Head Mistresses, Association of .. .	1	1	0
Home and School Council of Great Britain .. .	1	1	0
House of Education, Teachers and Old Students' Association .. .	1	1	0
Howard League for Penal Reform .. .	1	1	0
Independent Schools Association, Inc. .. .	1	1	0
Industrial Psychology, National Institute of (Women's Com.) .. .	1	1	0
International League for Protection of Horses .. .	1	1	0
Invalid Children's Aid Association .. .	1	1	0
Jewish Association for the Protection of Girls, Women and Children .. .	1	1	0
Jewish Women, Union of .. .	15	0	0
Liberal National Council (Women's Division) .. .	1	1	0
Mabys Association for the Care of Young Girls .. .	1	1	0
Massage and Medical Gymnastics, Chartered Society of .. .	1	1	0
Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland .. .	1	1	0
Maternity & Child Welfare, National Council for .. .	1	1	0
Mental After Care Association .. .	10	0	0
Mental Hygiene, National Council for .. .	1	1	0
Midwives' Institute and Trained Nurses' Club .. .	1	1	0
Ministry of Women, Society for the .. .	1	1	0
Mothercraft Training Society .. .	1	1	0
National Adult School Union (Women's Dept.) .. .	1	1	0
National British Women's Total Abstinence Union .. .	1	1	0
National Children Adoption Society .. .	1	1	0
National Free Church Women's Council .. .	1	1	0
National Smoke Abatement Society .. .	1	1	0
National Sunday School Union .. .	10	6	0
National Vigilance Association .. .	1	1	0
National Spinners' Pensions Association .. .	1	1	0
National Women Citizens' Association (1938-39) .. .	2	2	0
Newport W.C.A. .. .	10	0	0
Nurses, National Council of .. .	1	1	0
Open Door Council .. .	1	1	0
Our Dumb Friends' League .. .	1	1	0

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	Subscrip- tions.		
	£	s.	d.
Over Thirty Association .. .	1	1	0
Oxford Diocesan Council .. .	10	0	0
Parents' National Educational Union .. .	1	1	0
Pedestrians' Association .. .	1	1	0
Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Royal Society for .. .	1	1	0
Prevention of Cruelty to Children, National Society for (1939-40) .. .	2	2	0
Public Morality Council .. .	1	1	0
Ranyard Mission .. .	1	1	0
Reigate and Redhill W.C.A. .. .	10	6	0
Representative School Managers of London Elementary Schools .. .	10	0	0
Salisbury Diocesan Association for Moral and Spiritual Welfare .. .	10	0	0
Salvation Army (Women's International Department) .. .	1	1	0
Save the Children Fund .. .	1	1	0
Scottish Council of Women Citizens' Associations (1938-39) .. .	2	2	0
Scottish Matrons' Association .. .	1	1	0
Southwark Diocesan Association for Moral Welfare .. .	10	6	0
Streatham Women's Local Government and Citizens' Association .. .	1	1	0
Student Christian Movement .. .	1	1	0
Sutton Coldfield Women Citizens' Association .. .	10	6	0
Teachers, National Union of (1938-39) .. .	4	4	0
Teachers of Domestic Subjects, Association of .. .	1	1	0
Teddington and The Hamptons W.C.A. .. .	1	1	0
Temperance Legislation League .. .	1	1	0
Training of Women, Society for Promoting the .. .	1	1	0
University Women, British Federation of .. .	1	1	0
University Women's Camps for Schoolgirls, Federation of (1938-40) .. .	3	3	0
Universities' Federation for Animal Welfare .. .	1	1	0
Unmarried Mother and Her Child, National Council for .. .	1	1	0
Wage Earning Children, Committee on .. .	1	1	0
Westfield College .. .	1	1	0
West London Mission .. .	10	6	0
Winchester Women Citizens' Association .. .	10	6	0
Wives' Fellowship .. .	1	1	0
Women Housing Estate Managers, Society of .. .	1	1	0
Women Pharmacists, National Association of .. .	1	1	0
Women Public Health Officers' Association .. .	1	1	0
Women's Employment Federation .. .	1	1	0
Women's Farm and Garden Association .. .	1	1	0
Women's Gas Council (1938-39) .. .	2	2	0
Women's Liberal Federation .. .	1	1	0
Women's Service, London and National Society, for .. .	1	1	0
Yorkshire Ladies' Council of Education .. .	1	1	0
Young Women's Christian Association (British National Council) .. .	1	1	0
Young Women's Christian Association of Scotland .. .	10	6	0

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**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF  
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1937/8.		RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
£	s.	d.	To Subscriptions:	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
237	10	6	Members .. .. .	232	6	6			
286	4	3	Branches .. .. .	315	16	6			
375	0	0	£5 fees .. .. .	400	0	0			
128	9	6	Societies .. .. .	132	10	0			
							1,080	13	0
	3	0	6 Household Service League (Capitation Fee)				3	16	3
			" Donations:						
125	18	3	London Conference .. .. .	86	2	8			
59	5	0	General .. .. .	81	0	2			
							167	2	10
			" Dividends and Interest:						
	2	19	2 3½% War Stock .. .. .	2	19	2			
	4	2	Bank Deposit .. .. .	4	4				
							3	3	6
			" Sale of Literature:						
59	0	9	Conference Reports .. .. .	75	17	2			
12	8	5	Conference Agenda .. .. .	13	15	6			
68	6	8	Handbook (Sales and Adverts.) .. .. .	57	2	0			
54	0	1	Pamphlets .. .. .	37	15	11			
							184	10	7
27	16	3	" Public Service Minutes .. .. .				25	16	3
219	5	3	" "Women in Council" Sales .. .. .				230	1	0
28	0	1	" I.C.W. Bulletin Sales .. .. .				28	5	7
			" Miscellaneous Receipts .. .. .						
			Sundries .. .. .			11	10		
10	13	0	Sale of Badges .. .. .	7	1	0			
2	15	6	Duplicating .. .. .	2	18	9			
			" New Offices Fund—Contribution towards:				10	11	7
277	13	2	Salaries .. .. .	249	14	10			
70	0	0	Rent .. .. .	187	4	0			
							436	18	10
78	4	0	" Deficit, carried to Balance Sheet .. .. .				29	12	1

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1937/38.		PAYMENTS.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
929	10	5	By Salaries and National Insurance .. .. .				978	12	0			
197	12	6	" Rent .. .. .				197	7	6			
												1,175 19 6
			" Insurance: Life Policy .. .. .	14	7	0						
			Fire and Burglary .. .. .	3	16	11				18	3	11
			" Heating & Lighting:									
			Coal .. .. .	4	1	3						
			Gas .. .. .	21	9	9						
			Electricity .. .. .	5	7	9				30	18	9
			" Office Cleaning .. .. .	39	13	0						
			" Renewals and Repairs: .. .. .	9	5	0				48	18	0
			" Stationery .. .. .	76	2	1						
			" Postage .. .. .	89	12	7						
			" Telephone .. .. .	38	14	3				204	8	11
			" Newspapers & Reports .. .. .	9	2	11						
			" Press Cuttings .. .. .	10	10	0						
			" Petty Expenses .. .. .	-	-	-				19	12	11
			" Bank Charges .. .. .	14	19	6						
			" Audit Fee .. .. .	6	6	0						
			" Legal Expenses (new lease) .. .. .	22	17	0				44	2	6
			" Travelling Expenses .. .. .							366	5	0
			" Committee Grants .. .. .							7	10	1
			" Printing: General .. .. .							47	10	6
			Conference Reports .. .. .				96	13	6			
			Conference Agenda .. .. .				22	9	0			
			Handbook .. .. .				56	7	0			
			Pamphlets .. .. .				39	17	3			
										215	6	9
			" Public Service Minutes .. .. .							9	2	6
			" "Women in Council"									
			Printing .. .. .				116	6	7			
			Salary of Editor .. .. .				100	0	0			
										216	6	7
			" I.C.W. Bulletin .. .. .							22	1	6
			" Subscriptions to other Societies .. .. .							1	1	0
			" I.C.W. Affiliation Fee .. .. .							6	10	0
			" Panel Fund Balance .. .. .							8	2	7
			" Edinburgh Tour .. .. .							-	-	-

£2,125 14 6

£2,200 11 6

I.C.W. ACCOUNT, for year ended July 31st, 1939.

RECEIPTS.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		PAYMENTS.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
To Balance in hand from 1937-8	..	..	..	..	..	By I.C.W. :					
„ Triennial Subscriptions	..	25	2	7		„ 1938-9 quota in advance	..	255	0	0	
„ Edinburgh Fund	..	50	2	0		„ Cheques	..	2	8		
											255 2 8
To Subscriptions Triennial	..	260	11	0	75	Edinburgh Fund :					
„ Edinburgh Fund	..	23	13	1	4	Expenditure	..	26	5	1	
						Unexpended Bal. refunded to guarantors	..	47	10	0	
											73 15 1
											30 10 11
						Balance : Triennial Subs. in advance					
											£359 8 8
											<u>£359 8 8</u>

HOUSEHOLD SERVICE LEAGUE. Account for year ended 31st July, 1939.

RECEIPTS.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		PAYMENTS.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
To Balance, 1st Aug., 1938	..	..	..	..	..	By General Fund :					
„ Subscriptions : Members	..	10	3	6	73	Share of Subs.	..				3 16 3
„ Groups	..	9	15	3	9	„ Postage and Telephone, etc. :					
„ Societies	..	1	5	0		Miss Borton Brown	..	16	5		
„ Donations	..	1	11	6		Miss Randle	..	3	17	3	
											4 13 8
						„ Stationery and Printing	..				4 3 6
„ Sale of Literature	..	..	..	..	22	Balance, 31st July	..				85 5 1
„ Interest on Deposit	..	..	..	..	15						
											£97 18 6
											<u>£97 18 6</u>

NEW OFFICES FUND.

Account for year ended 31st July, 1939.

RECEIPTS.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		PAYMENTS.		£ s. d.			
To Balance 1st August, 1938	..	..	..	..	..	By Contribution to General Fund :					
To Interest	..	14	0	0	2251	Salaries	..	249	14	10	
	..	59	8	4	2	Rent	..	187	4	0	
											436 18 10
											24 15 0
											18 4 6
											1,844 12 7
											£2,324 10 11
											<u>£2,324 10 11</u>

**BALANCE SHEET as at JULY 31st, 1939.**

LIABILITIES.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<b>New Offices Fund :</b>						
Balance as per separate Account	1,844	12	7			
Loan from Lady Steel-Maitland	84	0	0	1,928	12	7
<b>International Council of Women :</b>						
Balance per separate Account ..				30	10	11
<b>Special Organisation Fund :</b> ..						
As per Balance Sheet .. ..	41	18	8			
Less Expenses (Miss Richard and Press Secretary) .. ..	2	2	2			
				39	16	6
<b>Staff Emergency Fund :</b>						
As per last Balance Sheet ..	83	2	0			
Add interest for year .. ..	8	1				
				83	10	1
<b>Household Service League :</b>						
As per separate Account ..				85	5	1
<b>Staff Pension Fund :</b>						
As per last Balance Sheet ..	307	10	3			
Add Interest for year .. ..	7	13	6			
Less amount paid to Miss Green	15	3	9	300	0	0
<b>General Fund :</b>						
As per last Balance Sheet ..				90	0	0
<b>Bank Balance Overdrawn</b> ..				359	15	7

£2,917 10 9

ASSETS.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<b>New Offices Fund :</b>						
<b>INVESTMENTS :</b>						
War Loan 3½% £2,297 16. 11.						
Stock at cost (Market value at 31-7-39, £1,755. 10. 2) ..	2,335	2	7			
Less £400 stock at cost ..	406	10	0			
						1,928 12 7
<b>International Council of Women :</b>						
Cash on Current Account ..						30 10 11
<b>Special Organisation Fund :</b>						
Cash on Deposit .. ..						39 16 6
<b>Household Service League :</b>						
Cash on Current Account ..	32	14	9			
Cash on Deposit Account ..	52	10	4			
						85 5 1
<b>Staff Emergency Fund :</b>						
Cash on Deposit .. ..						83 10 1
<b>Staff Pension Fund :</b>						
Cash at P.O. Savings Bank ..						300 0 0
<b>General Fund :</b>						
<b>INVESTMENT :</b>						
War Loan 3½% £84. 12. 3 Stock at cost .. ..						90 0 0
Petty Cash in Hand .. ..						10 18 4
<b>Income Account :</b>						
Debit balance at 1st Aug., 1938 ..	466	3	8			
Add Debit Balance for year ..	29	12	1			
<b>Deduct Travelling Pool—excess of receipts over payments transferred</b>	495	15	9	146	18	6
						348 17 3

£2,917 10 9

We have examined the foregoing Accounts for the year ended 31st August, 1939, with the books and vouchers produced to us. We have verified the Investments and Bank Balances as stated in the Balance Sheet. In our opinion the above Balance Sheet sets out correctly the state of the Council's affairs, according to the information given to us and as shewn by the books.

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#### COUNCIL OF WOMEN.

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#### EXTRACTS FROM THE CONSTITUTION AND STANDING ORDERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN.

The International Council of Women is a federation of National Councils or Unions of Women formed in various countries for the promotion of unity and mutual understanding between all associations of women working for the common welfare of the community. It was organised in 1888, and has as its motto the Golden Rule.

The following extracts from its Constitution are printed here as bearing on the inter-relations of the N.C.W. and the I.C.W.

##### ARTICLE II.—Policy.

1. The International Council is established in the interests of no one particular social, political or religious propaganda. Political and religious questions of a controversial nature affecting the inter-relationship of two or more countries are excluded.

2. The International Council has no power over the internal work of its affiliated Councils, but may make suggestions for common action. A Council of Women voting to become a member of the International Council shall not render itself liable to be interfered with in respect of its complete organic unity, independence or method of work, nor shall it be committed to any principle or method of any other Council or to any utterance or act of the International Council beyond compliance with the terms of this Constitution and harmonious action therewith.

3. National Councils or Councils of Women shall not intervene at the League of Nations concerning affairs of other countries in which an affiliated Council exists without having first referred the matter to the President of the International Council of Women.

#### ARTICLE III.—Membership.

2. A National Council of Women shall be composed of constituent National Associations, representative Societies and Institutions, and may likewise have local Councils, Boroughs, Groups and individual members. Provided that the constitution of a National Council be in harmony with the basis of the Constitution of the International Council, it may become a member of the International Council with the approval of the Executive Committee to be confirmed by the Council.

8. Each affiliated Council shall pay an annual affiliation fee of £4 sterling at gold value (as fixed at the Paris Conference, 1934), applicable to all Councils, which shall entitle to the full privileges of membership.

Affiliated Councils whose annual fee has not been paid shall thereby forfeit their right to vote at meetings of the Council and Executive Committee.

Each Council shall further share the financial burden of the International Council of Women and shall accept an allotment of shares or units of equal size, the number of units being in proportion to the annual income of the individual Council, the relative income of every other Council having been taken into consideration.

9. Any person approved by the Board of Officers of the International Council, or by the Council of his or her own country may become a subscribing member of the International Council, either as a Life Patron on the payment of forty pounds, or as a Triennial Contributor on the payment of three pounds within the triennial period.\* All such patrons and contributors may be present at the meetings of the Council, and may take part in proceedings, without a vote. They are entitled to receive free a memorandum or report after each triennial meeting.

#### STANDING ORDERS FOR THE COUNCIL.

##### MEETINGS.

4. Secretaries of affiliated Councils of Women are required to send a list of their delegates and alternates with an official statement of their appointment to the Headquarters Office at least a fortnight before the Triennial Council Meeting. They shall at the same time provide an approved list of the names of the patrons, triennial contributors or Council members belonging to their country who intend to be present at the Triennial Sessions. Only those whose names appear on such a list shall be entitled to the privileges of the meeting. A fee equivalent to five shillings (gold value) shall be paid on behalf of each member duly delegated by her Council; also by patrons and triennial contributors attending the plenary Council meetings or the interim meeting of the Executive Committee to help to defray printing and other expenses in connection with the meeting.

Visitors' fees shall be at a higher rate to be fixed by the Council of the country where the meeting is being held, and shall not be less than double the fee charged to members.

5. The responsibility for the appointment and instruction of delegates rests solely with the bodies appointing, but delegates are expected to act in strict

\* In Great Britain such persons must also be subscribing members of the National Council and personally known to the proposer.

## FORM OF BEQUEST.

*I bequeath to the National Council of Women of Great Britain  
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*\*the sum to be written in full.*

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accordance with the instructions of the Councils they represent; and on points which may incidentally arise, in accordance with the spirit of that organisation, so far as they can judge, and not as individuals.

It is desirable for a delegate to be free to vote according to the opinion of the majority of the delegates on any matter on which the Councils consider that they have not sufficient information, and where they feel that discussion might materially alter the point of view.

#### STANDING ORDERS FOR INTERNATIONAL STANDING AND AD HOC COMMITTEES.

##### I.—MEMBERSHIP OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

1. The ordinary members of the Standing Committees shall be delegates appointed by the affiliated Councils. Each Council may, if it so desires, appoint a member to serve on each or any Standing Committee. These members shall be appointed at the beginning of each triennial period and their names and addresses shall be communicated by the President or Secretary of the Council in question to the Headquarters Office of the International Council and to the Conveners of the Committees concerned. The Headquarters Office shall be officially notified of any changes, and shall publish and send to Councils a list of members.

4. The Convener of a Standing Committee shall not be eligible to serve on that particular Committee as the member representing her own affiliated Council.

#### STANDING ORDERS FOR INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL PUBLICATIONS.

2. All information regarding the business programme of the International Council and its Executive and other Committees shall first appear, either in the President's Memorandum or in the Bulletin or in any other official communication from the Headquarters Office, before it is incorporated in the printed matter of any individual affiliated Council.

3. The Secretary of each affiliated Council shall send to the Headquarters Office of the International Council the names and addresses of the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Council; also the names and addresses of the representatives of the Council on the International Standing Committees, and the life patrons and triennial contributors of the International Council belonging to her country. These names and addresses shall be published from time to time in official documents of the International Council.

#### STANDING ORDERS FOR BRITISH REPRESENTATIVES ON THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN.

##### ON THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN:

1. The N.C.W. is represented on the International Council of Women by 10 delegates (including its President), of these delegates at least one shall be resident in Scotland, and 10 proxies. These shall be nominated and elected by a postal vote by the Executive, the result to be announced at the Annual Meeting of the National Council of Women of Great Britain preceding the Triennial Meeting of the I.C.W. If a delegate after appointment be unavoidably prevented from serving, or resign her office, a proxy shall be nominated to replace her. The term of office of the delegates is for 3 years. The term of office of proxies lasts during the time occupied by the Special Meeting which they are appointed to attend. Instructions as to future duties shall be made clear to delegates and proxies on their appointment.

2. The delegates from the National Council shall give a united vote, and the National Council, whenever possible, shall previously instruct its delegates as to the lines on which they shall vote.

3. The resolutions and amendments proposed by the National Council for the meeting of the I.C.W. shall be presented to and separately considered by the Executive Committee, and after approval sent to the Secretary of the I.C.W. to be placed upon its agenda.

4. In the case of unforeseen questions arising at the I.C.W. Council Meetings, the N.C.W. President or her proxy shall call together the delegates of Great Britain in Council, and shall decide with them on the casting of their vote.

ON THE INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE :

5. The N.C.W. is represented on the Executive Committee of the International Council of Women by its President, with power to appoint a proxy.

ON THE INTERNATIONAL STANDING COMMITTEES :

6. The N.C.W. is represented on each Standing Committee of the I.C.W. by one Representative, appointed by the Executive Committee of the N.C.W. by nomination and ballot.

7. **The Reports** prepared by the Representatives for presentation to their several I.C.W. Standing Committees shall consist of statements of fact, not of expressions of personal opinion : they shall be as brief as is possible consistently with lucidity.

**The Reports** for the meetings of the I.C.W. shall be presented to, and individually considered by, the Executive Committee of the N.C.W. ; if necessary a special session shall be called for the purpose, and after approval the reports shall be sent to the Conveners of the I.C.W. Standing Committees.

8. **The Nominations** of General Officers and Conveners of Standing Committees of the I.C.W. shall be considered by the Executive Committee as a separate item of business and shall be freely open to discussion or, if necessary, to a vote.

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