The Sewenteenth Annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of the Evangelical Lutheran Seminary of Canada and Waterloo College was held at St. Hohn's Parish Hall with 150 members present, representing -- New Hambrug, Preston, Tavistock, St. Matthew's Kitchener, St. Peter's, Kitchener, St. Mark's, Kitchener, St. John's, Waterloo, St. Luke's Sunnyside, Conestoga, St. Jacob's, Bridgeport, Elmira, Heidelburg, Trinity, Hamilton, Hespeler, Logan, Milverton, Stratford, Hanover, Hesson Rd., Listowe, Ellis, Sherwood.

The meeting was opened by the President, Mrs. Gillespie.

Miss Emma Schorten conducted opening devotions and prayer the Scripture reading taken from St. John 4: 31 -

Mrs. Gillespie then introduced Dean Schaus who xpx spoke to the ladies on Waterloo College. He told the ladies what the Women's Auxiliary had done for the boys while he was in College. Open House was held once a month and the boys were responsible for having their rooms neat and clean for the visitors. He said in the past ten years a great many changes have taken place. In 1937 there were about 50 - 75 students attending college - today there are 200 students. Now there are about as many girls as boys. They also have a Male Chorus which is drawing the attention of a great many people with Dr. Leupold doing an admirable piece of work. The Girls' Dormitory meant so much to the girls that one graduate said - "several years living in residence should be made part of our education.

Many new courses have been added to the curriculum at Waterloo College also classes in religion. He said there is a Christian attitude among the student's body at the college.

He also said there is more room for many more Lutheran students- the enrolment of 208 students this year of which 28% were Lutheran. We are way below average. The United States has 8% of higher learning and less than 1% in Canada.

There should be more effort made to have more Lutheran men and women go to College. "Your efforts in supporting the College and Seminary are greatly appreciated. May God bless you in your work."

He was thanked by Mrs. Gillespie.

The Secretary read the Minutes of the last annual meeting and they were approved as read.

There was a lettler from Dean Schaus informing ws that Miss Louise Bonkowski was awarded the \$100 Auxiliary Scholarship.

A card of appreciation from Miss Bonkowski was read.

The Treasurer's report was read showing a balance in the bank of \$1762.74 and was approved as read.

Roll call was taken and Conference delegates giving their rports.

Mrs. Gillespie introduced Miss Marion Axford who spoke on the Girls' Dormitory.

She said 12 girls were liwing in residence. Contributions can't be measured in dollars and cents.

Miss Axford then introduced Miss Jerrene Gofton who spoke on the Students Legislative Executive and Miss Kay Schweitzer on the work of the Athenaeum Society. They Were thanked by Mrs. Gillespie.

Sister Florence Weicker spoke on the progress of Misses Selma Lemp, Hazel Prentzler and Leona Nabert. She also attended the Investure Service of Miss Bertha Becker who is now Sister Bertha.

Mrs. Gillespie announced with the moving of the Girls' residence across the street more furniture and blankets had to be purchased. Slip covers for couch and chairs and additional furniture for boys' room were also required. The Executive was given authority to purchase eleven dining-chairs and also chesterfields, chairs, and rugs to cleaned at the expense of \$25.00 with Mr. Dardarian domating the other \$25.00.

A discussion on the Letter-League letter was left to the Executive to do what they can with the letter.

It was moved and seconded that \$1250. 00 be put in bonds toward the building of a Girls' Dormitory. Making a total of \$4,500.

Acknowledgement of the following gifts was made - 2 mats, for Girls' Dormitory by Mrs. Schinbein; 3 quilts from Hespeler Ladies Aid; afghan from St. Peter's, Kitchener, and pillows.

The nominating committee for 1948 -49 are as follows Mrs. Lloyd Schaus, Mrs. Norman Totzke, Mrs. Albert Zinn, Mrs. Clare Ziegler.
Mrs. George Vogt presented the Slate of Officers -

Mrs. Gillespie presided for the election of officers. All Officers were re-elected.

Conference Delegates-

Hamilton ..... Mrs. E. G. Melkie
Stratford ..... Miss C. Wilker

Kitchener, ..... Mrs. K. Bornhold

Hanover ..... Mrs. A. Huehn

Northern ..... Mrs. G. Schultz

Nova Scotia ..... Mrs. C. E. Dauphinee

Eastern ..... Mrs. W. Hamm

The meeting closed by singing hymn and repeating the Lord's Prayer and the Missionary Benediction.

Tapers and bouquets of spring flowers graced the tables for the Fellowship Dinner.

Invocation was given by Dr. J. Reble. Mrs. Lloyd Schaus presided.

A musical program provided by the students of the College and St.

Peter's Church included- 2 violin selections by Mr. A. Thiesen accompanied by Mrs.

Thiesen; 2 vocal selections by Miss Gloria Rivers accompainied by Miss June Fischer;

2 piano selections by Miss June Fischer; 2 Trombone selections by Mr. Arthur Freund accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Harold Freund.

Dean Schaus, introduced by Mrs. Schaus, spoke on the Expansion plan for Waterloo College. Agift of \$1000 from New York also a gift from Hamilton given toward the Expansion Fund.

There will be a Teaching Building, Science Laboratories. When more funds come in a residence for men and one for women, library, and new dining-hall.

He also mentioned that, Education points in very different directions-

- 1 That education is on the increase not decrease.
- 2 Demand education be made up of smaller units.
- 3 Away from Specialized education.
- 4 Waterloo is a College of Liberal Arts.
- 5 Education is not complete unless it takes in the spiritual side of life. So many sides are in our favour. Therefore it is imperative we march onward and make use of the time and set up the school in the honour of our God.

He was thanked by Sister Florence Weicker.

Mrs. Ch H. Doerr introduced our Guest Speaker of the evening. - Mrs. Gordon Friesen. She told the women how mecessary it is to have a Girls' Dormitory. She suggested urged the women to support the \$25,000 building fund. She stressed the woman's role as a homemaker, also telling of the impertance of a child's earliest Christian training in the home. The church and school, she felt, should carry on religious training as auxiliaries to the home. If the children are well grounded in their tenets they will have no trouble with the truth.

Mrs. Friesen told the women that residence life was valuable in teaching girls tolerance, emotional independance, material unselfishness and sharing. It provided an interchange of ideas and an opportunity to display ability.

Her closing remarks were - "We must give youth every opportunity and give to posterity well-integrated citizens who know where they are going and are going about getting the right way - the Christian Way."

She was thanked by Mrs. U. Leupold.

Mrs. Gillespie expressed appreciatio to the speakers, St. John's Suxiliary women who catered for the dinner and those taking part in the program. The Fellowship hour came to a close by singing "O Canada."

Respectfully submitted,

Olive Musselman

Secretary.

Ruth Gelegere Resident

On November 19th Open House was held in conjuction with Education Week of the College. About 100 persons were shown through the school..

Light refreshments were served.

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