The Eighteenth Annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of the Evangelical Lutheran Seminary of Canada and Waterloo College was held at St. John's Parish Hall with 127 members present, representing New Hamburg, Preston, Tavistock, St. Matthew's, Kitchener, St. Mark's, Kitchener, St. Peter's, Kitchener, St. John's, Waterloo, Conestoga, Bridgeport, Elmira, Hespler, Logan, Milverton, Stratford, Hanover, Listowel, Wallace.

Mrs. U. Leupold conducted opening devotions.

Miss Ilse Aksim, Professor of Languages, at the College, spoke on Christian Higher Education." Miss Aksim claimed the chief stumbling block to higher education was insufficient interest among our congregations. She said the more Lutherans should attend college and he represented in the professions. She also stated that 85% of the purchasing power is in the hands of the women.

She was introduced and thanked by Mrs. Gillespie.

Greetings were extended to members and visitors by Mrs. Gillespie.

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

The Auxiliary Scholarship was given to Miss Kristina Sidlauskaite.

A letter of thanks from Miss Sidlauskaite was read.

The Treasurer's report was read and showed a balance in the bamk of \$2471.38

Introduced by Mrs. Gillespie, Sister Florence spoke on the girls who have entered the Baltimore Motherhouse and of the work they intend to do. Marjorie Uffelman spoke on the one-year course for church secretaries and Miss Selma Lemp told of her work as a Parish Worker and also reported that she had accepted a position in Appleton, Wis. They were thanked by Mrs. Gillespie.

Miss Marian Axford, Dean of Women, brought greetings from Waterloo College and introduced Miss Peggy Nairn, who spoke on Student Lagislative Executive, Miss Katherine Schweitzer, who spoke on the Athenaeum Society, Miss Lorraine Bechler, who spoke on the Fides Diannae, and Miss Gloria Rivers, who spoke on the Lutheran Student Association. They were all thanked by Mrs. Gillespie.

After some discussion on the letter-league letter it was decided that a letter be sent to each congregation before calls are made.

Four recommendations which were brought before the ladies were acted on and approved -

- 1- That in the absence of the Treasurer all books be handed over to the Assistant Treasurer and that she be given Power of Attorney to sign all cheques. This was passed as follows that the signatures of both President and Treasurer be on cheques.
- 2- That Article #5 be changed from The Executive Board shall consist of the Officers and onerepresentative elected for one year from each

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to read as follows. -

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This Board shall have the Powers usually vested in an executive committee and shall meet at the call of the President, or at the request of three members. Passed

- 3- It has been brought to the attention of the Executive that the date of our mmeting be changed so as not to conflict with meeting of synod.

  This was left in the hands of the Executive. Passed.
- 4- It has been suggested that Seminary Membership Cards be supplied to the various societies so that they could be given to each member as she pays her fee. Passed.

It was dediced to hold our annual meetings in St. John's Parish Hall instead of the gymnasuim of the college.

During the year purchases were made to the amount of \$530. 00 on draperies, ll chairs for college dining-room, telephone table and chairs for girl's common room, beds and mattresses for the boys' dormitory, china and silver for Auxiliary Social affairs.

It was moved that \$2,000.00 be put into the Girls' Dormitory Fund, thus making a total of \$6,500.00

Nominating Committee for 1949 -50 - Mrs. Trochou Pequegnat, Mrs. Gartung, Mrs. E. Wettlaufer, Mrs. Allan Rahn.

Miss Decima Zimmerman tendered her sesignation and thanked all the ladies for their co-operation.

A letter of resignation from Mrs. Gillespie was read and accepted with deep regret.

On behalf of the Auxiliary, Mrs. Conrad paid tribute to Mrs. Gillespie. She has been our president for the past nine years and under her leadership our work has progressed with great success.

Mrs. Schaus paid tribute to Miss Decima Zimmerman who was an officer of the Auxiliary for twenty-one years, She was secretary for 15 years and treasurer for 6 yrs. Mrs. Lloyd Schaus presented the Slate of Officers as follows -

Mrs. Gillespie presided for election of officers. All officers being elected as presented on Slate.

The meeting came to a close by repeating the Lord's Prayer.

A Fellowship Dinner was served by the Ladies Aid of the church.

Mrs. C. Zarnke was chairman for the occasion.

Invocation was given by Sister Florence.

A musical program was provided by - 2 piano selections by Miss Joan Kadwell; 2 vecal selections by Ross McMillan accompanied by Patricia Kemp.

Mrs. C. H. Musselman introduced the guest speaker of the evening Mrs. A. Conrad. She spoke on the education in the home, public school, and church in Nova Scotia. She urged the setting up of a family altar to give the child early religious training. Responsibility for Sunday School teaching in Nova Scotia was being carried by teenagers, she said, and eight pastors were sweving 30 Lutheran congrgations. She was thanked by Miss Decima Zimmeramn.

Mrs. Gillespie introduced out next speaker Mr. Paul Vasarinsh. The importance of higher education to humanity was graphically told by Mr. Vasarinsh, a new canadian from Latvia. He was a student for  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years in universities in Germany. He said sometimes 350 would cram into a room meant for about 150 students.

Frequently there was no glass in the windows of the lecture room, and plaster loosened by bombing would fall on the students. He was thanked by Miss Emma Schorten.

Mrs. Doerr closed the program of the evening by thanking all those who took part in the program. St. John's for use of the hall and to the Ladies Aid for catering for the dinner.

The Fellowship Dinner came to a close by singing "O Canada."

Respectfully submitted,

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An Executive meeting was held on December 7, 1949, to determine what to do about carry our scholarship credit of \$24.68. It was decided that we add 32¢ to this amount making it \$25.00. Thus bringing our amount to its full value of \$75.00.

On March 11, 1950, Open House was held in conjuction with Education Week of the college. About 250 persons registered and shown through the building. These represented - Kingsdale 5, Bridgeport 6, Erbsville 1, Guelph 3, St. Jacobs 16, Linwood 4, Walkerton 4, Hanover 11, Hukerston Humberstone 5, West Montroes 1, Preston 3, Stratford 29, Port Colborne 9, Barrie 2, Heidelberg 2, Galt 1, London 1. Rodney 3, Brantford 3, Elmira 3, Huntsville 1, Kitchener and Waterloo 115. We wish to thank all the girls who so graciously helped the Executive to serve in the Tea Room. And also to Mr. Mosher who make the coffee and to the all the boys who helped.

Respectively Submitted,

Olive Musselman

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