

Kitchener, Ontario,
June 23, 1954.

The twenty-third Annual Meeting of the Women's Auxiliary to the Evangelical Lutheran Seminary of Canada and Waterloo College was held on the above date in Zion Lutheran Church, Stratford, Ontario, with an attendance of 220.

The meeting was opened by President, Mrs. C. H. Doerr. Opening devotions were conducted by Mrs. Conrad Zarnke of New Hamburg. The theme for her devotions was "Prayer".

Mrs. Wm. Klopp of Zion Lutheran Church, Stratford, welcomed all the visitors.

The minutes of the last Annual Meeting were read and approved. A letter was read from Rev. L. H. Kalbfleisch, Secretary of the Board of Governors of Waterloo College and Seminary, thanking the Women's Auxiliary for all their generous gifts and financial support. A letter was also read from H. H. Binhammer, Business Administrator of the College, thanking the Auxiliary for making available once again, a scholarship and also a letter was received from Miss Doreen Ament of Listowell who received the scholarship, thanking the Auxiliary for it.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted as presented. The President asked to have all money in the hands of the Treasurer by May 15.

A recommendation was read to change Article 3 of the Constitution to read as follows: Active members shall be all Lutheran Women who pay an annual fee of one dollar, thereby entitling them to vote and hold office. Associate members shall be all women who are in sympathy with the object of the organization and pay an annual fee of one dollar, thereby entitling them to vote. A discussion was held concerning this matter. The President explained that the idea of this change was to have non-Lutherans who are interested in the College, become Associate members of our Auxiliary. No plans for the organization of such members has been made, but that separate chapters may have to be formed. A promotional Committee may be organized to aid Auxiliaries and obtain speakers. It was moved and seconded that we accept this recommendation.

The President, Mrs. Doerr gave a report of the activities of the Auxiliary for the past year. She also said that well over 100 quilts were received from the different organizations and thanked the ladies for their contributions. She also thanked all those who helped supply sandwiches and cookies for the different receptions during the past year.

It was announced that 12 pairs of drapes were needed for the dormitories. Gadshill ladies offered to make drapes for two windows.

The college paper, "The Waterloosan", was distributed along with a subscription blank for those who would like to subscribe at the price of \$1.00 per year.

A motion was made and seconded that the Executive be given the power to act as they see fit regarding any purchases to be made during the year.

The report of the nominating committee was given by Mrs. Ruby Black as follows:

Honorary President.....	Rev. A. G. Jacobi
Honorary Vice-President.....	Mr. J. G. Hagey
President for Life.....	Mrs. J. Conrad
Past President.....	Mrs. William Gillespie
President.....	Mrs. C. H. Doerr
First Vice-President.....	Mrs. C. H. Musselman
Second Vice-President.....	Mrs. Norman Schmidt
Secretary.....	Mrs. David R. Schulte
Assistant Secretary.....	Mrs. Paul Eydtt
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Mel. Schatz
Assistant Treasurer.....	Mrs. Gerald Hagey
Nova Scotia Delegate.....	Mrs. C. E. Dauphinee, Lunenburg, N.S

The nominating committee for 1954-55 will be as follows:

Mrs. Harry Greb....	St. Peters	(Chairman)
Mrs. John Lauman...	St. John's	
Mrs. Walter Klinck....	St. Matthew's	
Mrs. Wm. Stauffer.....	St. Stephen's	

A roll call was taken with 22 churches represented.

The guest speaker for the afternoon, Mr. J. ~~H.~~ Hagey, president of Waterloo College, was introduced by Mrs. Paul Eydtt, of Hamilton. He stressed the importance of stepping up college enrolment. He illustrated with charts to show that increasing enrolment does not mean proportionate increase in costs. He said the freshman enrolment last year nearly doubled and he attributed the increase to advertising in local papers, and letters sent to prospective students. He thanked the women for their work in furnishing the new dining hall and also for all the quilts and bedding that has been donated to the College. He mentioned the Secretarial Science course that will begin in the fall and told the women to encourage their daughters to enter this course. Mr. Hagey extended an invitation to hold our next annual meeting in the New College building which may be official opened October 3. A motion was made that we accept this invitation. This motion was moved and seconded.

Mrs. Norman Schmidt thanked the speaker. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer and the Doxology.

The Sunday School rooms were decorated in the College colours of purple and gold for the Fellowship Dinner.

Rev. Karl Knauff asked the blessing. Mrs. Karl Knauff acted as Mistress of Ceremonies. Musical selections consisted of:

Vocal Solo.....	Mrs. Peter Robinson
Violin Solo.....	Mr. John Oppert
Choral Group.....	Zion Choirsters

In the absence of Mr. Edward Neigh, who was to speak about the Stratford Shakespearean Festival, the radio was tuned in to hear an interview with Mr. James Mason, star of the Festival.

The guest speaker, Dr. Ruth Wick, has taught psychology at

several U. S. Lutheran Colleges and is at present executive secretary of the United Student Christian Council of New York. She was introduced by Mr. Hagey. "Students in colleges are afraid to pursue free inquiry," she said, "and for that reason it is essential that the Church carry out its responsibility to educate young people in an atmosphere where free inquiry exists and the school is not responsible to the state for funds. It is when financial support comes from a political body that control can be exercised over things that are taught." Dr. Wick said that the same facts are taught in the Church College as in secular Colleges. "Facts are facts," she said, "but information in a Church College is interpreted in the light of Divine Truths. It is the parent's responsibility to encourage children to get a higher education. It is often said that the Lutheran Church was born in a University," she continued, "We are proud of that, and we know that we have a responsibility to society to train intelligent Christian citizens." One of the greatest needs for missionaries is in Indian Universities, the speaker said. There are a few Christian instructors there, but not enough. This means that Godless influences can sway young minds.

Mrs. Karl Knauff thanked the speaker.

On behalf of those present, Mrs. Doerr thanked the ladies of Zion Church, Stratford, for the lovely dinner and for the cordial welcome extended.

The Fellowship hour was brought to a close with the singing of "God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again."

Respectfully Submitted
Myrtle G. Schulte
Secretary.

Louise G. Doerr
Pres.