

was read by Mrs. Miller. She told about the light hearted parts of the Convention, the extras needed for a well balanced meeting.

Mrs. Rebecca Johnson, reviewed the speech presented by Mrs. Edna Clarke, Policy and Liaison Secretariat, Alberta Department of Agriculture. She noted Mrs. Clarke's concern about Nutrition and the state of Canadians "While Canadians are not dying in the streets from hunger we are having malnutrition in this affluent society."

REPORT — ACWW COUNCIL MEETING

Mrs. Harvey Noblitt, President, represented Ontario at the Council Meeting of the ACWW.

She reports that plans for the Perth Conference with its theme, A World To Share, is progressing well. Study seminars for 30 students from the South Pacific area will be set up, preceding the Conference by the South Australian Countrywomen under the theme, Leadership Training in Community Development. Tours are being arranged for non-voting delegates at the beginning of the Conference and for husbands during the Conference.

Mrs. Noblitt reports, the one fact that emerged clearly, with education and enlightenment and the efforts of women, women are emerging from seclusion and finding their rightful place in society all over the world. ACWW through the work of the Lady Aberdeen Scholarship Committee plays an important role. In the past year assistance was given through a course in Ovambaland, S.W. Africa and there are plans for others. As a result of these courses the Lady Aberdeen trainees are now beginning to hold leadership training courses themselves.

ACWW, a non-governmental organization, is represented on the U.N. by Mrs. Pam Pemberton in Paris and Mrs. Roberts in New York. Mrs. Pemberton reported on UNESCO publications of ten children's books from each of 57 countries. They are designed to promote international understanding amongst children up to age 14.

Mrs. Roberts, works on committees involved with such studies as education of women and children, child health (e.g. the Save Sight project), nutrition aid to needy areas, and human rights. In her committees particular stress is being put on opportunities for children and youth.

The Ad Hoc "Save Sight" project in Madurai, India, is progressing with great success. The eyes of the world are on the project. If it proves its worth, it can serve as a model for treatment centres wherever needed around the globe. The Social Welfare Department of India is anxious to organize training centres on a national basis for child care workers similar to those in Madurai. Vitamin A is already being given to children in Bangladesh and plans are to follow it up with nutritional education. It is hoped similar plans can be carried out in Latin America and Central America soon.

A.C.W.W.'s great value in such projects as this is in our contacts through the member societies located in the area of the project, and in the work the society can do there. To carry out this work A.C.W.W. needs our Pennies for Friendship and money from Contributing Memberships.

Recognizing that world problems are now global and that over population is contributing to the world problems relating to pollution, food shortages, health problems and human well-being, the U.N. in combination with non-governmental organizations is holding a conference in Bucharest in August, 1974. We are urged to study the matter and get involved.

1975 is designated as International Women's Year devoted to promote equality between men and women in all areas of community and national life.

Mrs. Haven Smith represented ACWW at their Regional Latin American Seminar in Recife, Brazil, and reported it highly successful. Sessions were held in Literacy Training, Medical and Sanitation Programs, Nutrition, and the work being done by UNICEF in Central and South America.

Mrs. Spry, on Open Day, spoke on "Developments in the Western World" and how ACWW is working on the problems of soaring prices, poverty amongst af-



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