### MRS. GORDON GOW

Former FWIO Board Director, Mrs. Gow, Dutton was named vice-chairman of the finance committee during the conference session.



Finance Committee Officials—L-R Mrs. Gordon Gow FWIO, Vice Chairman; Mrs. R. Agness, NEHC, U.S.A. Chairman; Mrs. M. McMordie F.W.I. Northern Ireland, Rapporteur.

## SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

There were many social functions, gracious home hospitality and interesting tours. The first function for the delegates attending the conference was the Official Reception at the Parliament Buildings in Nairobi. Our host was the Hon. Dr. Zachary Onyonka, M.P. the Minister for Housing and Social Services.

The following evening we were the guests of His Worship the Mayor, Andrew K. Ngumba, at a Civic Reception in Charter Hall at the City Hall in Nairobi. We were entertained by Band Music, singing and

ancing and the traditional speeches.

I was entertained along with several other delegates to a Tea Party given by the Muslim Women's Association. There was afternoon entertainment in the form of a concert with skit, dance and song numbers. This was followed by a period of gift-presenting by everal of the delegates to the association. The women and girls were so beautifully attired in their native costumes I could scarcely take my eyes away from the sight. Then came the delicious food. The taste of syrup marinated fried cakes I shall never forget.

The hostess Societies entertained all delegates to a Farewell Dinner Party at the Bomas of Kenya. The menu of Kenya dishes included grilled goat, Kenya cheese along with a dozen other interesting dishes.

Traditional dancing was enjoyed by the Bomas of Kenya dancers in their spectacular circular theatre. I was intrigued with the variety of their musical instruments—one especially, the kayamba, which is a shallow box-like rattle containing bean pods inside, and when shaken back and forth produces rhythmic sound.

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# PRESIDENT ELECTED

Mrs. Raigh Roe-Delegates elected a member of the CWA of Western Australia to the office of President of ACWW.

Mrs. Raigh Roe C.B.E., former State and National President was elected in 1973, Honorary Life Member of the Country Women's Association.

Since 1961 Mrs. Roe has been actively involved in projects concerned with Aboriginal Brownies and Guides. In 1969 she initiated a pilot project which developed into annual residential Homemaker schools for teenage Aboriginal Girls, and Nutrition Seminars for Aboriginal Women. Recently she was appointed as the only woman on the Western Australia Wheat Council.

Married with three sons she recently moved to Perth from a wheat and sheep farm. Mrs. Roe has been attending Conferences since 1962 having lead the Australian delegation in Oslo and was the National Co-ordinator, Australian co-ordinating committee at the Perth Conference.



During the Conference L-R Mrs. M. Sobey, Chairman GPC and Mrs. Raigh Roe, newly elected President ACWW make preparations for the days ahead.

## MRS. JOHN McLEAN

Former President of FWIC was elected Area Vice-President for Canada.

> 1980-ACWW Conference will be in Germany

### CONCLUSION

I wish to take this opportunity to express my deepest gratitude to F.W.I.O. for making it possible for me to attend this my first ACWW conference. From the first "Jambo and Karibu!" (Hello and Welcome) to the last "Asante and Kwaheri!" (Thank you and Good-bye) the Kenya Conference and our African Safari were wonderul experiences—enlightening, exciting and very educational.

I ask you to continue in the spirit of "Harambee"

the work of A.C.W.W.

Verna A. Maluske