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FROM MINUTES**

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**NATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING**

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**Imperial Order**

**Daughters of the Empire**

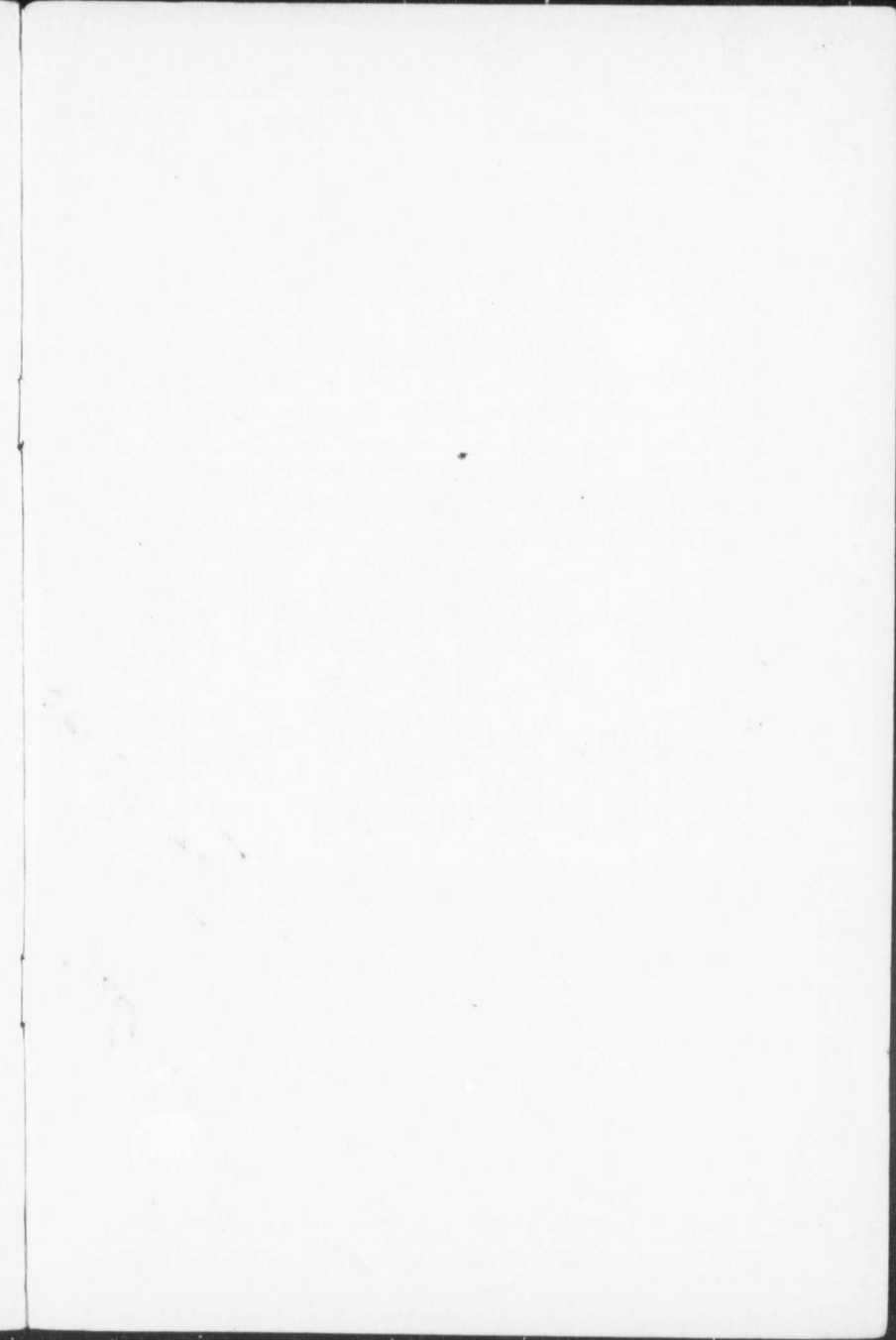


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Moved by Mrs. Melvin, Calgary, seconded by Mrs. W. D. Spence, Calgary :

That the minutes of the last Annual Meeting be taken as read.—Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Campbell, St. Catharines, seconded by Mrs. Ambrose Small, Toronto :

That the reports of the National Chapters be taken as read.—Carried.

MRS. COLIN CAMPBELL : I would like to move that the suggestion made by the President that a Resolutions' Committee be formed composed of one member from each Province be adopted.—Seconded by Mrs. Macdonald, Goderich.—Carried.

The following ladies were then nominated from the floor :

Mrs. Morgan, Saskatchewan.

Mrs. Hasell, British Columbia.

Miss Boulton, Ontario.

Mrs. Colin Campbell, Manitoba ; Mrs. Boyd, Manitoba.

Mrs. W. D. Spence, Southern Alberta; Mrs. F. Smith (Edmonton).

Mrs. MacDougald, Quebec ; Mrs. Fraser, Quebec.

Mrs. Sexton, Nova Scotia.

Mrs. Burton, Yukon Territory.

Mrs. Van Wart, New Brunswick; Mrs. Thompson, New Brunswick.

(Mrs. Spence withdrew her name on Mrs. Smith being nominated.)

And the following ladies were elected by the meeting, one delegate one vote :

Mrs. Morgan, Saskatchewan.	Mrs. Fraser, Quebec.
Miss Boulton, Ontario.	Mrs. Fred Smith, Alberta.
Mrs. Spence, Alberta.	Mrs. Burton, Yukon Territ'y.
Mrs. Hasell, British Columbia.	Mrs. Van Wart, New Bruns'k.
Mrs. Colin Campbell, Man.	Mrs. Sexton, Nova Scotia.

It is decided by the meeting that the President shall meet the Committee.

MRS. AMBROSE SMALL : Madam President, after listening to the report of the splendid work done by Mme. Casgrain through the Dominion in the interests of our Order, I would like to move a very hearty vote of thanks to Mme. Casgrain.

MRS. SEXTON : It gives me the very keenest pleasure to second that motion.

(Applause.) (Motion carried by a standing vote.)

LADY POPE : I should like now to propose the following resolutions :

(1) That the scheme for French Relief, known as the furnishing of huts in the devastated districts of France, be definitely rejected.

(2) That a scheme for French Relief be chosen at this meeting, or referred to the different Chapters for consideration.

(3) That money for French Relief be sent to the French Government direct, or to the Comité France Amérique, or to the French Red Cross.

MRS. MACKAY : I have much pleasure in seconding the motion.

Amendment moved by MRS. WALLACE CAMPBELL, Windsor ; seconded by MRS. FRED SMITH, Edmonton.

"That the delegates at this Annual Meeting wish to place themselves on record as being in sympathy with the National Executive's desire to have a memorial in France to our men who have fought and died there in this great war.

But whereas it is felt that it is neither wise nor expedient under present conditions in France to undertake a permanent memorial from the whole Order ;

And whereas it is also felt that the need of the refugees in the devastated areas of France is very pressing ; be it resolved :

That the money already received, or to be received, under the "Special Appeal for France" in the official circular letter of March 11th, 1918, be applied to furnishing houses or huts either built or to be built in the devastated areas of France, or for the immediate relief in some other form of the inhabitants of these districts, as designated by the Chapters that the expenditure of the same be entrusted to a committee or committees to be named by the National Executive ; that the said committee or committees be instructed to make provision that the name of any Chapter or Chapters be permanently associated with the aid contributed by it or them, if so desired."

Mrs. Kerry, of Montreal, and Mrs. Sexton, of Halifax, were appointed by the meeting to count the votes.

Amendment, carried : 150 for, 29 against,

MRS. SANFORD CALVIN : I should like very much to move a vote of thanks to Mme. Casgrain for her nice offer of doing canteen work in France in the name of the I.O.D.E. I have very much pleasure in moving a vote of thanks.

Seconded by Mrs. White.

Motion carried with standing vote.

MISS BOULTON : Madam President and Ladies, I have been asked by a lady who did not wish to speak to ask this meeting if they are willing to send from this assembly a message of congratulation to our Canadian men who were the first to be gassed at St. Julien, and saved the Empire from the Germans getting to Calais, and who were taken prisoners at that time, and have been prisoners in Germany ever since. In March they were released, and they are now in Holland.

MRS. CORRY : I would like to second that.

Resolution carried with standing vote.

Moved by MRS. MALCOLMSON, seconded by MRS. McLIMONT :

That a Committee be formed of not more than five members, authorized to draft a Constitution conforming to the general principles of the present Constitution, and giving proportional representation to the Provinces on the National Council, and embodying as far as possible the suggestions made at this Annual Meeting, to be submitted to the next Annual Meeting ; and further that only such amendments as might be helpful to the carrying on of the work of the Order, until such time as the new Constitution shall be adopted, be taken up at this Meeting ; and further that the members of this Committee shall not be decided upon until after the election of Officers at this Meeting.—Carried unanimously.

Letter from National Council of Women read by the President.

MRS. HASELL : I would like to move that this correspondence and Mrs. Smith's remarks be passed on to the Resolutions Committee to be dealt with.

MRS. G. H. SMITH seconded Mrs. Hasell's motion.—Carried.

The following resolutions were carried :

Moved by MRS. COLIN CAMPBELL, seconded by MRS. A. W. MCDUGALD, and carried :

"Whereas we miss for the first time in many years from our midst, two Officers who have given valiant service to the Order, we wish to offer to Mrs. R. S. Wilson, our National Secretary, and Mrs. Murray Clark, our Organizing Secretary, our sincere sympathy in their indisposition which prevents their attendance at this Meeting."

Moved by MRS. VAN WART, seconded by MRS. A. W. MCDUGALD, and carried :

"That whereas the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire and Children's Chapters assembled at the 18th Annual Meeting to give an account of our faithfulness in our War Work and in upholding the patriotic ideals of the Order desire hereby to send our love and devotion to the foundress of our Order, Mrs. Clark Murray, we voice our thankfulness that she had been spared to see the memorial of our patriotism in the I.O.D.E., one of the greatest Avenues to service for women in Canada and the Empire."

The two following resolutions were received and carried by the audience standing :

COPY.

Toronto, May 29, 1918.

(Please forward to the King's Secretary.)

Lieut.-Col. Henderson,  
Military Secretary,  
Government House, Ottawa.

TO THEIR MAJESTIES THE KING AND QUEEN :

The Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, now in session assembled at the eighteenth Annual Meeting, desire you to convey to their Majesties the loyal greetings of the forty thousand Canadian Women whom we represent, assuring them that we do at this time pledge ourselves anew to serve and save, to endure, if need be more and yet more, until in God's good time the blessings of peace shall once again be restored to our beloved Empire.

(Signed) SARA IRVING WILSON,  
National Secretary,  
Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire.

COPY.

Toronto, May 29, 1918.

Lieut.-Col. Henderson,  
Military Secretary,  
Government House, Ottawa.

The President and members of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire now in session assembled at the eighteenth Annual Meeting desire you to convey to their Excellencies the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire our sincere and loyal greetings, assuring them of our untiring effort in support of every good work that calls us to service for our Empire.

We desire also that you should express to Her Excellency our very sincere appreciation of her interest and the honor of Her Gracious patronage in connection with the work of the Order.

(Signed) SARA IRVING WILSON,  
National Secretary,  
Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire.

Moved by MRS. CAMPBELL, St. Catharines, seconded by MRS. WALLACE NESBITT, Toronto :

That the reports of the affiliated societies be taken as read.—Carried.

Moved by MISS O'BRIEN, seconded by MRS. BURKHOLDER :

That the report of the work in India be taken as read.—Carried.

The results of the election of Councillors.

SCRUTINEER : The first forty names, in order of election, are :

#### COUNCILLORS.

Mrs. A. E. Gooderham	Lady Kingsmill
Mrs. John Bruce	Mrs. A. D. Bowlby
Mrs. George Smith	Mrs. H. R. Fraser
Mrs. A. MacMurchy	Mrs. Henry Joseph
Mrs. E. F. B. Johnston	Mrs. Wallace Nesbitt
Miss Constance Boulton	Mrs. G. C. Van Wart
Mrs. Hasell	Mrs. W. J. Boyd
Mrs. Auden	Mrs. David Low
Mrs. W. D. Spence	Mrs. J. C. McLimont
Mrs. P. D. Crerar	Mrs. Ambrose Small
Mrs. R. S. Wilson	Mrs. J. Murray Clark
Mrs. F. H. Sexton	Miss De Wolfe
Mrs. Ira McKay	Mrs. D. C. McNaughton
Mrs. R. R. Morgan	Mrs. John A. Stewart
Mrs. W. C. Hodgson	Mrs. David Miller
Mrs. W. R. Riddell	Mrs. H. Stephens
Mrs. H. F. Burkholder	Mrs. C. H. Mills
Mrs. Colin H. Campbell	Mrs. E. Atherton Smith
Mrs. H. C. Drummond	Mme. Chase Casgrain
Mrs. A. W. MacDougald	Mrs. J. S. Campbell

THE PRESIDENT : Ladies, the results of the election of officers are as follows :

- Mrs. A. E. Gooderham, President.
- Mrs. E. F. B. Johnston, Vice-President.
- Mrs. W. R. Riddell, Vice-President.
- Mrs. J. C. McLimont, Vice-President.



Mrs. Hasell, Vice-President.  
Mrs. McGillivray, Secretary.  
Mrs. John Bruce, Treasurer.  
Miss Boulton, Organizing Secretary.  
Mrs. George Smith, Educational Secretary.  
Mrs. H. R. Fraser, Standard Bearer.

MRS. HODGSON : Madam President and Ladies—I should like to know if we could have a copy of the amendment presented by Mrs. Gooderham on the resolution from Lady Pope. I would like to have that and read it to the Primary Chapters. I would like to have the little speech that the President gave first, explaining the work which was being done in France. I should like to say that all the delegates present could take it and read it to their Chapters when they get home. I think it will explain why the amendment was carried.

THE PRESIDENT : Mrs. Hodgson suggests that we send a copy of the amendment to Lady Pope's resolution, which was really brought up by the National Executive and moved by Mrs. Campbell of Windsor, also the little preamble to the discussion prepared by myself to the Chapters. She thinks each Chapter should have these two documents. (Applause.) It will take some little time to get them ready, but we will do it as soon as we can.

THE PRESIDENT : We will discuss the War Clasps for Nurses. We have discussed this in the Resolutions Committee, and they were very favourable indeed to our getting out a bar for nurses, for the mothers of the nurses who are serving overseas.

That is for discussion now.

MRS. HASELL : I would like to move that resolution.

Seconded by Mrs. Bowlby (Windsor).—Carried.

Moved by MRS. BRUCE, seconded by MRS. FINNISS (Quebec): That the bar be white.—Carried.

MRS. CRAWFORD BROWN : In view of the amount of business to be discussed this morning, I would like to move that the debate be limited, and a speaker be only allowed to speak on same subject once, seconded by MRS. FARWELL.—Carried.

A DELEGATE : I move that the President remain in the chair and the meeting proceed to business.

(Applause and audience rises.)

Moved by MRS. HASELL, seconded by MRS. MACDOUGALD :

That the Committee of five authorized to draft a Constitution, etc., in accordance with resolution moved by Mrs. Malcolmson, seconded by Mrs. McLimont, and carried at a meeting held Wednesday evening, May 29th, comprise the following : (1) Mrs. Gooderham; (2) Mrs. E. F. B. Johnston ; (3) Mrs. Bruce ; (4) Mrs. Geo. Smith ; (5) Mrs. McGillivray ; and one member from each Province, to be elected by the Province, including Ontario.—Carried.

Moved by MRS. BURNS, seconded by MRS. HENSHAW :

That whereas very inferior Badges and War Clasps are being manufactured in different places, be it resolved : That to maintain uniformity in the Order, particularly in regard to our Badges, all such Badges and War Clasps must be obtained from the National Chapter Headquarters, I.O.D.E.—Carried.

Moved by MRS. BURTON, seconded by MRS. C. J. STOWGELL, that Mrs. Bruce take the chair in the President's absence.—Carried.

Moved by MRS. MCGILLIVRAY, seconded by MRS. HENSHAW :

In Article IX., Section 3, the clause : "The Regent shall be of the age of eighteen years or more," shall be amended to read : "The Regent shall be of a suitable age."—Motion lost.

Article IX., Section 4 : To this section shall be added : "When the Junior Chapter is in a school, the Annual Meeting and election of officers may be held in September—at the beginning of the school year. The Annual Report of such a Chapter shall be sent at the end of September to the Chapter having jurisdiction, to be read at the Annual Meeting of the governing Chapter."—Carried unanimously.

"Article VIII., Section 12"—Addition : "A Junior Chapter is entitled to one vote at the National Annual Meeting ; this vote shall be cast by the Regent or by a representative appointed according to Article VIII., Section 13."—Amendment lost.

Mrs. Kerry and Mrs. Sexton were then appointed to count the votes.

MRS. BRUCE : (Reads amendment.)

Moved by MRS. W. J. WRIGHT, seconded by MRS. J. A. McCULLOUGH:

That the order of procedure for the Annual Meetings of the National Chapter of Canada, Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, should be in accord with the Constitution (page 12), that the first reports to be presented be those of the National Chapter Officers, to be followed in order of procedure by Provincial, Municipal and Primary Chapters under its jurisdiction.—Motion lost.

Moved by MRS. B. J. CURRIE, seconded by Mrs. J. J. McDIARMID:

That the Election of Councillors at the Annual Meeting of the National Chapter of Canada be in accord with the Constitution, as per page 12, near the end of the business of an Annual Meeting, and suggests that they be held the second to the last day.—Carried.

MRS. HASELL : I have a resolution to present to the meeting from the Resolutions Committee. May I have leave to read it ? It is forwarded to the meeting by the Resolutions Committee.

I wish to move that we, the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, now in session assembled at the 18th Annual Meeting, representing a membership of over 45,000 of the women of Canada, do hereby express to the National Council of Women, with whom we are affiliated, our sincere regret that through that affiliation we have been associated during the past four years with the women of our enemy countries—Germany, Austria and Bulgaria—in International Council. We note the reply to our inquiry that the National Council of Women of Canada has not publicly repudiated federation with the aforementioned countries, but that it stands ready to adopt any Imperial policy affecting the situation which may be determined upon by Great Britain.

As the movement for the formation of National Councils of Women originated in Canada, and as the membership of the National Council of Women of Canada represents no insignificant part of the personnel of the International Council of Women,

we do hereby respectfully request the National Council of Women of Canada to issue a statement at the very earliest opportunity repudiating any further federation with the National Councils of Women in Germany, Austria and Bulgaria, not only during the period of war, but after, until in the judgment of the right-thinking peoples of the world Germany and her allies can safely be reinstated in International Council.

We further beg leave to state that it will be impossible for the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire to remain in federation with any organization unwilling to make said declaration.—Seconded by MRS. R. R. MORGAN, Saskatchewan.

MISS O'BRIEN : I would like to ask that that be carried by a standing vote.—Motion carried by standing vote.

Moved by MRS. H. A. ARUNDEL, seconded by MRS. A. J. HUGHES :

That it shall not be permissible for any officer, member or employee of the Head Office to use the facilities of the Head Office to ask for or receive delegates' votes for an Annual Meeting, or for any Provincial or Municipal officers, member or employee to do the same for their Annual Meeting.—Motion lost.

MRS. DRUMMOND : I would like to move a standing vote of thanks to our President for her moving address.—Seconded by MRS. CRAWFORD BROWN.—Carried with standing vote.

MRS. FRASER : I have very much pleasure in moving this resolution—that letters of thanks be sent to all these people : Resolutions of thanks to the Clergy, the Choir, the Board of Governors of Toronto University for Convocation Hall, Lady Hendrie, Information Bureau Committee, Billeting Committee, Entertainment Committee, the Educational Secretary's Committee, St. Catharines; the Municipal Chapter of Hamilton, Toronto Hostesses, the Press, Mr. Jenkins.

Seconded by MRS. SEXTON.—Carried.

MRS. CRAWFORD BROWN : Madam President, if it is in order—I am not very well versed in these matters—I think we should recognize the great work done for Toronto, and especially the Sick Children's Hospital, and perhaps the meeting would deem it advisable to send a letter of grateful sympathy to Mrs. John Ross Robertson from this Association.

Seconded by MRS. E. F. B. JOHNSTON.—Carried.

MRS. AMBROSE SMALL : As Regent of a Chapter that is greatly interested in our prisoners of war in Germany, and having read in this morning's paper that the French Government has entered into a treaty for the exchange of prisoners, man for man, I would like to move that this meeting send a cable to Sir Edward Kemp, urging that our prisoners be treated in a like way, and as speedily as possible.

Seconded by MRS. MILNE.—Carried:

MRS. HODGSON : May I ask you in the name of the Municipal and the Primary Chapters to permit us the honour of having the Annual Meeting in Montreal? Could we have the honour of having the Annual Meeting there?

MRS. AMBROSE SMALL : I move we go to Montreal.—Seconded by MRS. A. E. GOODERHAM, Jr.

Motion that meeting be held in Montreal carried.

MRS. SEXTON : I move that the resolutions be brought in. They come from the Resolutions Committee, and they are all more or less on important points.

MRS. FRASER : I move that Mrs. Sexton take the chair for the resolutions.

Seconded by MRS. CRAWFORD BROWN.

MISS MCGAFFIN then read resolutions dealing with the following matters :

Women's Army Corps for Canada,  
Vancouver, B.C., April 17, 1918.

Moved by MRS. FITZGIBBON and seconded by MRS. HASELL:

"Resolved that the Provincial Chapter, I.O.D.E., in B.C., now in Annual Session assembled, do earnestly pray the National Chapter, I.O.D.E., to petition the Dominion Government to immediately organize throughout the whole Dominion of Canada a Woman's Auxiliary Army, Navy and Royal Air Service Corps on the same lines as the organization known as the Woman's Army Auxiliary Corps in the United Kingdom, that the Order throughout the Dominion do pledge their members to give every assistance to the Government authorities in the immediate carrying out of this scheme necessitating the employment of returned non-commissioned officers in the training and organization of such corps and would also prevent to some extent the

dislocation of industries of all kinds consequent on the new levy of man power in the Dominion." Carried.

#### EMERGENCY RESOLUTION—Thrifty Stamps.

Moved by CHARLOTTE I. GORDON, seconded by ANNA CREERY:

"Believing that if the children of Canada and others of limited means were given an opportunity to invest in some form of Government securities, thrift and a feeling of responsibility to the State would be greatly encouraged, be it resolved that the National Chapter of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire petition the Dominion Government to inaugurate some system of thrifty stamps similar to that in use in Great Britain or the United States." Carried.

May 28<sup>th</sup> - 1919

#### CHILD WELFARE BUREAU.

Moved by MRS. COLIN H. CAMPBELL, of Winnipeg, Man.

Seconded by MRS. A. W. McDOUGALD.

THAT WHEREAS no Government Agency exists whereby philanthropic societies and public spirited citizens may be guided in their laudable but often ill-directed efforts ;

AND WHEREAS a lack of co-ordination of effort and method exists in many philanthropic agencies for the care of dependent and orphan children, thus leading to unwise expenditures of public monies ;

AND WHEREAS Juvenile Courts with their systems of probation have been established throughout the different Provinces, without any agency for the purpose of collecting for use the valuable information which might be gleaned from the results of such experiences ;

AND WHEREAS the proposed Bureau would not undertake administrative work, it would not make regulations concerning children, nor create institutions for them, but its duty would be to study and report upon conditions affecting the welfare of children, to present them promptly and clearly for use and popular dis-

tribution. These facts secured by the Bureau, as the result of the investigation, should be published in a form approved by the Minister of Labour, or the Minister of the Department taking it up.

AND WHEREAS we have little, if any, authoritative information concerning such questions as :

1. Infant Mortality.
2. The birth rate and records of births.
3. Illegitimacy.
4. Children's Institutions.
5. Child Immigration.
6. Child Desertion.
7. Child Labour.
8. Dangerous Occupations.
9. Accidents and Diseases of Children.
10. Children's Courts.
11. Children's Play Grounds.
12. Mothers' Pensions.
13. Mental Defectives.
14. Race Degeneracy.
15. Health and Training of the Child, etc.

AND WHEREAS the conservation of child life as an asset by the State is at this time one of extreme urgency and a War Problem ;

BE IT RESOLVED : That in the opinion of the women here assembled in conference, a Children's Bureau should be established by the Federal Government to enquire into these matters, to tabulate the results of these enquiries and to have these readily available for use.

Mrs. COLIN CAMPBELL asked for the endorsement of the meeting for this resolution, which was given. *May 1918*

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MRS. H. G. HUBBELL, seconded by MRS. FLETCHER BOWSER : Regarding the Provincial Chapters, page 22, Article VII., Section 11, second line, "That 'twenty' be changed to 'twenty-five.'"—Amendment carried.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MRS. H. G. HUBBELL, seconded by MRS. C. E. KENNEDY : That page 20, Article VII., Section 5, beginning Section (b) "Five other Councillors," and ending with the paragraph, be expunged from the minutes. Therefore all councillors will be elected at the Annual Meetings of the Chapters.—Amendment lost.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MRS. RAYNER, seconded by MRS. W. J. BOYD : That the election of officers at the Annual Meeting of the National Chapter of Canada be held the morning of the last day of the Annual Meeting of the Chapters.—Motion withdrawn.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MRS. W. H. URQUHART, seconded by MRS. W. B. HARRIS : Page 25, Article VIII., Section 4, the word "Forty" be amended to read "Sixty-five."—Amendment lost.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MRS. R. W. AITKEN, seconded by MRS. A. J. HUGHES : Section 4, clause (b), page 26. That the words "and the election of the ten Councillors shall take place at the first meeting of the Executive Committee after the Annual Meeting; these fifty" be expunged, and the following words be inserted : "These sixty-five elected Councillors."—Amendment lost.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MRS. W. J. BOYD, seconded by MRS. A. R. LEONARD : That the duties of (1) Echoes Secretary, (2) Educational Secretary, (3) Organizing Secretary, be defined and printed in the Constitution.—Amendment carried.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MRS. G. D. MCKAY, seconded by MRS. J. CARSON. That a full and complete report in shorthand shall be taken by a qualified court stenographer of all business and proceedings carried on at any Annual or Special Meeting of the National Chapter, Daughters of the Empire; such shorthand notes to be afterwards extended and certified to by such stenographer, and printed for the use of officers and members, who may obtain a copy of same on application and payment of a reasonable fee therefor.—Resolution lost.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads resolution moved by MRS. W. J. WRIGHT and seconded by MRS. E. V. CHAPLAIN, in regard to appointment of a Credential Committee.)



Moved by MRS. W. J. WRIGHT, seconded by MRS. E. V. CHAPLAIN :

That the Provincial Chapter, Imperial Order Daughters of Empire of Manitoba, hereby give notice that at the next Annual Meeting of the National Chapter, Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, a motion will be made to amend the Constitution and Laws by adding to Article VIII. thereof as follows :

There shall be a Committee on Credentials of this National Chapter composed as follows :

The Treasurer and Assistant Secretary of the National Chapter, the President of each Provincial Chapter or some member thereof duly appointed in writing by such Provincial Chapter. Where no Provincial Chapter exists, then the Regent of the Municipal Chapter of any such Province having the largest membership on 31st December preceding the Annual Meeting of this Chapter, or some member thereof duly appointed in writing by such Municipal Chapter.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Credentials to convene forthwith on the opening of this Chapter, and examine the register of this Chapter, and promptly report in writing, giving the name and address of each representative entitled to vote, the capacity in which she may vote, the number of the votes she may carry (if any), and the name or names of the Chapter she represents. Subsequent reports shall be made from time to time during and until the close of the meeting, of all additions or amendments to previous reports.

The adoption of any such reports shall constitute the right and qualification of each representative named therein to vote upon all questions and matters, including the nomination and election of officers.

This Committee shall have access to all books, papers, and documents necessary to assist in the discharge of such duties.

No regular business of this Chapter, other than hearing and receiving reports from officers and Chapters, shall be proceeded with until the first report of the Committee on Credentials has been received and adopted.

Resolution lost.

MRS. JENCKES : The Municipal Chapter of St. Catharines regret exceedingly that our Regent was obliged to leave for home

to prepare for the reception of the Duke and Duchess, and they beg to withdraw their four resolutions.

Moved by MRS. J. S. CAMPBELL, seconded by MRS. A. E. JENCKES.—Carried by the Municipal Chapter of St. Catharines.

"That the Municipal Chapter of St. Catharines give notice that at the next Annual Meeting of the National Chapter its duly appointed representatives will move that the Constitution of the National Chapter be amended so as to provide for the holding of Annual Meetings as follows: 'Those of Primary Chapters in March, those of Municipal Chapters in April, that of the Provincial Chapter in May, and that of the National Chapter in the second week in June'; the chief reason for the suggested change being that thereby all delegates to National Chapter may secure better long distance travelling rates. Also a more convenient time for holidaying."

Moved by MRS. J. S. CAMPBELL, seconded by MISS EDNA MADILL.—Carried by the Municipal Chapter of St. Catharines.

"The Municipal Chapter of St. Catharines gives notice that, at the next Annual Meeting of the National Chapter, its duly appointed representatives will move that the Constitution of the National Chapter be amended by adding thereto the following clause: 'That notwithstanding anything in this Constitution to the contrary, the same shall, as amended, stand as the Constitution of the National Chapter of Canada for three years, and be not subject to further amendment during that period.'"

Moved by MRS. STOBIE, seconded by MRS. MERRITT.—Carried by the Municipal Chapter of St. Catharines.

"That in order to aid in a more intelligent representation of the Primary Chapters in the National Council, I.O.D.E., be it resolved that the Regent of every Municipal Chapter (19 in all) be *ex officio* a member of the National Council."

Moved by MRS. MALCOLMSON, seconded by MRS. JENCKES.—Carried by the Municipal Chapter of St. Catharines.

"That as the present custom, whereby a member of any one Chapter may assume membership in as many Chapters as desired, causes inaccuracy and confusion in membership returns. Be it resolved that active membership shall be permitted in only one Primary Chapter, and associate membership in any others, without the right of voting or holding office."

MRS. ROSSIE : If you are withdrawing resolutions, I want to withdraw the one from Saskatchewan. We do not think it is the proper time to bring the matter up, as you are amending the Constitution.

Moved by MISS IRENE MOORE, seconded by MRS. E. A. GARDINER.—Carried by the "Sablisury" Chapter, Regina, Sask.

That to the paragraph on Primary Chapter Fees, Statutes, page 39, there be added the sentence, "In the case of Chapters under a Provincial Chapter's jurisdiction, the fee shall include 10 cents per member, instead of 25, to be forwarded for the support of the National Chapter."—Withdrawn.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MRS. G. BELL, seconded by MISS M. McKEOWN—Resolution regarding posting names of nominees.

*Article VIII., Section 5A, and Article VII., Section 13.*

Moved by MRS. GEO. BELL, seconded by MISS M. McKEOWN:

"Which now reads, 'and post the same in the office of the National Chapter for twenty-one days previous to the said meeting, and only such nominees are eligible for election,' be amended to read, 'and shall mail same to the Primary Chapters twenty-one (21) days previous to the said meeting, and only such nominees are eligible for election.'"

THE PRESIDENT : This list was posted at least twenty-one days before the meeting.—Resolution lost.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MRS. GILLESPIE, seconded by MRS. McKEE—Resolution regarding education of soldiers' children.

Moved by MRS. GILLESPIE, seconded by MRS. McKEE:

"That the Municipal Chapter of Edmonton ask the National Chapter, I.O.D.E., to petition the Dominion Government, or the various Governments of the Provinces in the Dominion, as may be most expedient, to make such arrangements as will render it possible for the children of Canadian soldiers who have lost their lives, or had their earning power impaired, through the war, to obtain such an education as will enable them to make the greatest use of their natural gifts and powers."

MRS. SEXTON : Mrs. Smith withdraws the resolution, and moves that this simply be laid on the table and the idea not lost.—Carried.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MRS. C. A. DAVIES, seconded by MRS. W. J. FRASER : That Statute IV., Section 3, be amended as follows: "All fees shall be payable in advance, on or before February the 1st, in each year," and shall apply until February 1st of the following year," etc.

MRS. SEXTON : Will somebody move and second that the new Committee on the Constitution give this matter very careful consideration, and try to make it clear, so that the Primary and Municipal Regents are not so puzzled ?

MRS. MACMURCHY : I would be very pleased to move that.

MRS. HODGSON : I would like to second that.—Carried.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MISS L. T. ANTHES, seconded by MRS. RUSSELL : "That all Primary Chapters be in existence for at least three (3) months prior to the National Annual Meeting before they are entitled to vote at that meeting.—Carried.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MISS ANTHES, seconded by MRS. RUSSELL : That a delegate to the Annual Meeting of the National Chapter be empowered to represent one Chapter only.

MRS. S. J. BEATTY : May I have the privilege of withdrawing that motion ?—Motion withdrawn.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by Miss C. McCOLL, seconded by MRS. J. MILLER : That no member of the Order be permitted to serve as Councillor in more than one Chapter.—Motion lost.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MRS. A. C. ROUTH, seconded by MRS. D. MCKENZIE—Motion in regard to exclusion of women of German or Austrian birth from Order.

Moved by MRS. A. C. ROUTH, seconded by MRS D. MCKENZIE.

"Resolved that all women of German or Austrian birth be excluded from membership in our Order. In so much as we are formed for purely National and Patriotic purposes, we feel that,

by admitting such women to membership, we are weakening the effectiveness of our Order."—Motion lost.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MRS. F. A. PETERS, seconded by MRS. W. B. TENNANT : That in Article V., Section 5, the name Assistant Secretary be changed to Corresponding Secretary.—Motion lost.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MRS. T. H. SMALL, seconded by MRS. E. B. SMITH—Motion regarding teaching of British History in schools.

Moved by MRS. T. H. SMALL, seconded by MRS. E. B. SMITH.

"That the Municipal Chapter of London petition the National Chapter to take steps to have the subject of British History given more attention in the public schools in the different Provinces."

Motion lost. (Already being done.)

*Page 7, Sec. 5, Article IV.—Individual Members.*

Moved by MRS. A. E. CRAEKNELE, seconded by MRS. A. E. HOWIE, and carried.

*Re Individual Members.*

"That this whole paragraph be expunged from the Constitution."—Motion lost.

Moved by MRS. HAMILTON BURNS, and seconded by MRS. T. J. CLARK : That the Committee be recommended specially to consider that paragraph.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MRS. McGRATTON, seconded by MRS. C. C. SHERIFF : (Page 8) That the second paragraph be expunged, beginning "Provided that the National Chapter may" and ending with "dispense with the holding of such meeting."—Motion lost.

*Page 9, Sec. 6, Article V—*Moved by MRS. J. R. DAVIDSON, seconded by MRS. R. M. NOBLE : "Eighth line, the decision of the nominees must be, add '*Made in writing and*' given at least two weeks prior to the Annual Meeting, and the same *must be*

*posted at Headquarters two weeks prior to the Annual Meeting of the Chapter."*

For amendment, 62, against 80.

Amendment lost, with the recommendation that the Committee on Amendments consider that and interpret the wording.

MRS. SEXTON : (Reads) Moved by MRS. G. D. MCKAY, seconded by MRS. R. F. RORKE : "After the word 'Chapter' at the bottom of the page (p. 14, Sec. 7, Art. VI.) add 'made in writing and given at least two weeks prior to the Annual Meeting, the same must be posted at Headquarters two weeks prior to the Annual Meeting of the Chapter.' "

Motion lost, with the recommendation to Amendments Committee to consider this point.

THE PRESIDENT : Before the meeting adjourns, I should like to move a very hearty vote of thanks to Mrs. Sexton for taking the chair so ably this afternoon.

MRS. T. J. CLARK : I will second that motion. (Applause.)





