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ANNUAL REPORT, 1933

Steady progress has been made on all sides of the work of the National Union of Townswomen's Guilds. Fifty Townswomen's Guilds have been formed, making a total of one hundred and ninety-one at the end of the year.

Most Guilds report increasing membership, and increased enthusiasm among their members; and as they become more firmly established, they are able to undertake more ambitious schemes for the education of their members or the service of their neighbours.

ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING

The Annual Council Meeting was held at the Imperial Institute, London, on March 7th, 8th, and 9th, 1933. One hundred and seventy-eight delegates attended, representing eighty-nine Townswomen's Guilds, twelve Federations and four other affiliated societies. A resolution was passed, changing the title from "The National Union of Guilds for Citizenship" to "The National Union of Townswomen's Guilds." A clause was added to the constitution allowing societies other than Townswomen's Guilds to become associate members and seven societies formerly affiliated to the National Union have joined under this scheme. Resolutions were also passed that the National Union should acquire the periodical called the *Woman's Leader* and should change its name to *The Townswoman*.

The meeting opened with an address by the President, Mrs. Corbett Ashby, who had returned from her work on the Disarmament Conference in Geneva to be present at the Council. Sir George Newman delivered a speech on "Townswomen and Public Health," which has formed the basis of the educational work of the year. Other speakers were Lord Plender, Treasurer

of our Appeal Fund, on the principles underlying Guild finance, Miss Grace Hadow on study circles, Miss Mildred Ransom on local rules, Miss Edith Walker on the laws of dramatic copyright, and Mrs. Hubback on the powers of local authorities.

### THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Officers and Executive Committee are elected for one year to conduct the business of the National Union according to the wishes of the members expressed at the Council Meeting. The names of those elected for 1933-34 will be found on page 2.

We much regret that shortly after the Council Meeting Mrs. Priestley resigned from both the Executive and the editorship of *The Townswoman*. We are very grateful to her for all the hard work she did through the early stages of the career of the *Woman's Leader—Townswoman* as a monthly paper, when she acted not only as editor but also as advertisement manager. In July Miss Danielsen resigned owing to pressure of other work. The Executive has co-opted Lady Sinclair, who resigned before the end of the year; Mrs. Neville-Smith; Mrs. Monro; and Mrs. Waghorne.

### EDUCATION

The object of the Townswomen's Guilds is "the education of women to enable them as citizens to make their best contribution towards the common good," and it is by this criterion that their success will ultimately be judged. Hence much time has been devoted to the establishment on sound lines of the educational work of the N.U.T.G. We interpret our object in its widest possible sense, regarding that woman as the best citizen, who is not only able to appreciate her responsibilities as a voter, but also is able to contribute her share to the home life of the nation and is able to make a profitable use of her leisure.

The programme committee which was formed last year has been further developed, and now consists of the whole Executive Committee. It meets monthly and is able to survey the whole field and to help the Guilds attain to constructive and well-balanced programmes. Four specialist sub-committees have been set up, called CIVICS, HOMECRAFT, HANDICRAFTS and ARTS. These have met regularly, and we shall review the educational work of the N.U.T.G. under these headings.

The list of co-opted members of these committees will be found on page 2. We wish to express here our thanks to these experts in their various subjects who are most generously giving

much time and trouble, not only in attending the committee meetings, but in advising us on any questions it may be necessary to refer to them.

Each committee is responsible for the provision of articles for *The Townswoman*; and they have also revised the national panel of speakers, which is a list of suggestions of suitable subjects and advice on the obtaining of speakers, issued to all Guilds.

### " THE TOWNSWOMAN "

*The Townswoman* is the paper of the N.U.T.G., and is becoming an important feature of its educational work. It is published by the Executive Committee and has been edited since July by Mrs. Blanco White with the assistance of a small committee. It is now used as the normal means of communication with T.G. Secretaries, each of whom is given a free copy which replaces the monthly letter previously sent from the office. It enables the individual Guild member to be in direct touch with all the latest developments of the National Union and of Guilds in all parts of the country. The members of the programme committee supply articles dealing with all sides of the T.G. programme.

We are very grateful to the speakers at the Annual Council Meeting and at the Rally for the summaries by which their speeches have been made available to a larger audience, and also to the authors of the following articles: *Maternal Mortality* by Miss Gertrude Tuckwell, *Child Welfare* by Lady Erleigh, *What is Food?* by Helen Masters, a series on *Gardening* by the staff of Swanley Horticultural College, *On Reading Plays* by the late Alfred Sutro, *Singing* by Mr. Kennedy Scott, *Country Dancing* by Miss Joan Sharp, and others, many of them anonymous, by members of the Executive Committee. *The Townswoman* also contains reports of Guilds and is increasingly used for articles and correspondence on Guild matters.

The circulation has increased from three thousand to four thousand eight hundred, but the receipts, after covering the cost of printing and distribution, are only sufficient to meet a portion of the cost of all the work which is done in connection with its publication from the N.U.T.G. office. It does not pay either editor or contributors.

### CIVICS

Under the term Civics we include all questions touching the T.G. members' relations to the larger worlds of town, state or international affairs. The varied character of the areas in which Guilds exist makes it difficult to put forth any generalised scheme for the study of civic problems. Some are formed in limited parts

of huge cities like London and Liverpool, others in compact communities with a strong civic tradition such as the Scottish burghs, while many are in residential or dormitory areas whose character is rapidly changing and which still lack many of the amenities of urban life.

The Civics Committee recommends Guilds to study their own local history, and in this way approach the problems of their locality. Views of different towns where there are Guilds are used each month on the cover of *The Townswoman*, in connection with a series of articles on their history. A pamphlet entitled *The Activities of Local Government*, by Mrs. Charques, was circulated with *The Townswoman* for October.

The Guild reports for 1933 show that members have a growing interest in the life of the community in all its varied aspects. There have been talks on civic affairs and matters of local interest, and visits to municipal institutions of many kinds and also to factories and works. Local Councils have been approached on several questions, including those of rubbish disposal and the appointment of women police. Members also have undertaken an increasing share in the social work of their own towns. In starting new Guilds an effort is made to interest all women who are doing public work, and in many cases Guild members are elected to their urban district councils or co-opted on to local committees.

Almost every Guild reports work for the unemployed, usually in co-operation with other societies such as the National Council of Social Service or the Personal Service League, including assistance with soup kitchens and meals for unemployed men or their families, clubs, classes, and money-raising efforts. Work is also done in connection with hospitals, district nurses, welfare clinics, the blind, girls' clubs and county libraries.

### HOME CRAFT

Sir George Newman in his speech at the Annual Council Meeting appealed to the N.U.T.G. members to ensure a "healthy home life" for the coming generation, and the Homecraft Committee has been occupied with the best methods of carrying this idea into the Guild programmes. Notes to help Guilds in the study of food values have been written by Miss Hamilton Smith, in consultation with Miss Lindsay. These include directions for a novel form of exhibition by means of which the facts learned by a study group can be shown at the Guild meeting.

Derbyshire Federation held a meeting in February, at which Sir Arbuthnot Lane spoke and also urged his listeners to pay attention to the diet of their families. Hampshire Federation held a conference on Food Reform in Southampton on October 18th. Professor Mottram was the principal speaker and explained the

scientific principles underlying a satisfactory diet, and demonstrations of cookery were arranged with the help of the Gas Company.

Gardening may at first sight seem a strange topic for townswomen, but many have small gardens, and have been glad of advice on them. Some Guilds have held flower shows, and bulb competitions are popular even in completely urban areas. Exhibitions of bulbs presented by the National Gardens Guild were held in the spring. The N.G.G. kindly offered to repeat their gift of bulbs in 1933, and as the National Union was not able to undertake the work of distribution they gave them to those Federations that wished to organise competitions.

### HANDICRAFTS

An exhibition of handicrafts was held at the time of the Annual Council. Seven hundred and twenty-two entries were received from Townswomen's Guilds in all parts of the country. The large room and the good light made it possible to display the work to the best advantage, and a large number of visitors examined it with much interest. Our thanks are due to Mrs. Sharp, Miss Alexander, Lady Daniel, and those members of Guilds whose work in packing, arranging and acting as stewards contributed so much to the success of the exhibition.

Some very good work was shown, and the keenness of the exhibitors amply proved the fact that craft work has a part to play in the future of the N.U.T.G. It is not yet clear what form the final development will take, but apart from the value of the things produced the training of hand and eye by creative work has an important place in all well-considered schemes of education. An attempt is being made to examine the whole problem of handicrafts in relation to townswomen and of the lines on which they should be approached.

Search was made for a suitable person to be handicraft adviser to the N.U.T.G., but one had not been found before the end of the year. Small specimens of various crafts are being collected, suitable for demonstration at Guild, Federation or formation meetings.

On the advice of the Handicraft sub-committee it was decided not to hold another national exhibition in 1934 but to encourage area Federations to organise local ones. This avoids many difficulties of transport, and enables a much larger public to see the work. One of the organisers of the N.U.T.G. is visiting Federations to help them in organising these exhibitions.

A demand having been expressed by some Guilds for tests for craft teachers, the Handicraft sub-committee has dealt with this question. They believe that skilled workers are to be found

among N.U.T.G. members and have invited entries for tests of proficiency in six crafts, plain sewing, embroidery, and the making of baskets, gloves, rugs and stuffed toys, to be followed should suitable candidates present themselves by further training for teaching.

Devon Federation held a handicraft exhibition in October, at which entries were received from ten Guilds; and another was arranged by the Derbyshire Federation. Sussex held a one-day handicraft school at Brighton, the morning was devoted to design and the afternoon to colour; the speaker was the design teacher from the Brighton School of Art.

Many Guilds have had handicraft exhibitions, and classes in various crafts have formed part of many programmes. Meetings are also held, to which members bring their work in various crafts and where they discuss their problems with each other. Working parties have also been held, many of which have made garments for the Personal Service League or for local maternity work.

## ARTS

The Arts sub-committee is unique among our sub-committees in that its field is already adequately covered by specialist societies and it is fortunate in having the help of the British Drama League, the British Federation of Musical Festival Competitions and the English Folk Dance and Song Society. It is thus able to give valuable guidance to Federations contemplating dramatic or musical festivals. Draft rules for such festivals have been drawn up for their use.

Devon Federation held a drama festival when eight Guilds staged one-act plays in competition for a cup that was won by Isca T.G. (Exeter). Hampshire Federation acted a series of one-act plays and tableaux from local history. Sussex Federation held a singing competition in which seven Guilds took part.

Many Guilds have dramatic societies and choirs and have gained successes at various festivals.

## THE RALLY

The third annual Rally which was held at Swanwick in October was planned as a demonstration of a "balanced programme." Two hundred and fifty-six members of seventy-five Guilds lived together for the week-end and enjoyed together the three essentials of every well-run T.G. meeting, business, education and recreation. The cost of the Rally had been considerably reduced in accordance with the wishes expressed at the Annual Council. Many Guilds paid the expenses of their representatives by co-operative effort.

Mrs. Barrow Cadbury spoke on the "Young Offender," and Mr. Noel Baker on the international situation. Mrs. Pedler spoke on the psychological value of our various activities, Miss Lindsay on the cost of a satisfactory diet, and Mrs. Heron Maxwell, Chairman of the N.F.W.I. Handicrafts committee, on handicrafts. Mr. Whitworth of the British Drama League lectured on "Play-making by Townswomen—why and how."

A novel feature was an exhibition of T.G. programmes. Members of the staff were available to explain and discuss them with the delegates, who showed keen interest and gathered many new ideas. There was also a small loan exhibition of embroidery and handicraft on view. Music occupied Sunday evening, and country dancing many of the spare moments. Expeditions were made to see Chatsworth (by kind invitation of the Duchess of Devonshire), the Crown Derby China works and the Denby Pottery, and a coal mine; while a visit to Matlock was arranged by kind invitation of Mrs. Glossop Clarke.

On Saturday a "typical Guild meeting" was held, in which the business part was a cleverly written sketch performed by the Officers of the National Union, and the social half-hour was arranged to prove that it is possible to organise games that go with a swing even with the large numbers at Townswomen's Guild meetings.

## CONSOLIDATION

Steady progress has been made along the lines indicated last year in the work of assisting and strengthening existing Townswomen's Guilds. The series of one-day schools and rallies for Guild Officers and members held by the Chairman and Honorary Secretary was continued, and schools were held at Aberdeen, Christchurch, Darlington, Derby, Dunblane, Liverpool, Manchester, and Southampton.

Mrs. Corbett and Miss Franklin made a tour of Scotland in May. They visited the two most northern Guilds at Thurso and Wick, and called on various people with whom it was desirable to discuss the development of Guilds in Scotland.

## HANDBOOK

The demand for the Townswomen's Guild Handbook proved its usefulness to the N.U.T.G. members. A free copy is given to every T.G. Secretary, and in addition nearly 3,000 were sold. This year it has been entirely rewritten and enlarged with much new matter based on further experience and on the discussions at the schools and rallies held since its publication. It now in-

cludes a glossary giving the meaning of words used in the constitution with their derivations.

A T.G. diary for 1934 was published, containing twelve pages of useful information for Guild members.

### CONSTITUTION

Members are urged to take an interest in the constitution of their Guilds and to conduct their business on the truly democratic lines laid down in it, not merely because this proves successful in those Guilds which do so, but as part of their education as citizens. The present constitution was drawn up before the N.U.T.G. existed in its present form. It has on the whole served us well during these years of rapid development, but has been found in need of amendment in certain points. A Constitution sub-committee was appointed which met frequently and the Executive is putting forward a revised constitution for the consideration of the Council Meeting for 1934.

### FEDERATIONS

1933 has again seen an increase in the number and usefulness of the Federations. New Federations have been formed in Berkshire and Oxfordshire, North-Eastern England, Liverpool Area, South Bucks and district, and Surrey. A representative of the National Union is attached to each Federation and attends its meetings, thus establishing a personal contact between the Guilds and the Executive.

Some of the activities of Federations have already been noted, others have included garden parties, fêtes and expeditions. There are many advantages gained by a Guild which is part of a Federation, apart from these competitions and mass meetings, and for this reason new Guilds have as far as possible been formed within reach of existing ones and grouped with them in Federations. They no longer start on their career alone but are able to receive help and advice from the older Guilds. Reports of progress are exchanged, advice is given as to speakers or class teachers, new ideas for competitions are passed on, and the larger unit is better able to put the needs of Guilds before the Education Authorities and other bodies. Much help has been received by the N.U.T.G. organisers from the Federations, which are in a position to supply valuable local knowledge and introductions.

### ORGANISATION

Fifty new Townswomen's Guilds were formed in 1933, and much preliminary work undertaken which should lead to a large number more in the early months of 1934. Seven of these were

formed in Scotland and two in Wales. During the year four Guilds have lapsed, for various reasons, but after a period it will be possible to revive Guilds in those districts.

The amount of press publicity is steadily growing with the growing activities of Guilds and Federations; the public is becoming aware of our existence and there are constant inquiries from new towns.

The organisation of a new Guild, however, still requires much skill and patience and a considerable amount of time. We find that for the satisfactory establishment of a Guild it is necessary for the organiser to keep in touch with it for some time and to help it to conduct its business according to the constitution and to plan its programme wisely on definitely educational lines. A detailed scheme for the starting of new Guilds has been drawn up based on the experience of the last three years.

During 1933 a new system of part-time organisers was adopted. Miss Bury, Mrs. Grey and Miss Williams continue with us, working on this basis, and seven other organisers have been appointed. This is an economy as they are employed only as the work demands and when funds are available, and as they live in different places the very heavy travelling expenses are reduced. It has the added advantage that they know people in their own districts and are in touch with other organisations, and they have given voluntarily much of their specialist knowledge.

It took time to find women with the experience that we require, and it was only in the late summer that they were appointed. Each was given a short training and an opportunity to see the work of other organisers and visit Guilds. They began work in the autumn and it will be next year before the full results of their work are seen. A list of organisers is on page 61.

### THE OFFICE

The National Union has remained in the same offices in 4, Great Smith Street, but increasing pressure of work made it necessary to give notice to our tenants and to take over the two small rooms which were sub-let in order to house those voluntary workers who come in to assist with the clerical work.

It is fortunate in retaining the services of Mrs. Horton as Secretary, and Miss Fisher as Assistant Secretary and Accountant. Miss Beaumont, who had been the typist since the start of the Townswomen's Guild Movement, left in April to be married and has been succeeded by Miss van Dulken. It was found necessary to appoint an additional clerk, Miss Sandys, one of our former students, to assist Mrs. Horton, and Miss Allen was given a part-time appointment for the latter part of the year to help with raising funds. An office girl is also employed.

Tea-parties have been held each month, at which members of the Executive have acted as hostesses in turn, and members of the N.U.T.G. have had the opportunity of visiting the office.

## FINANCE

The accounts for the year 1933 will be found on pages 16-21. They cannot be compared with those of previous years as this is the first complete year since the re-organisation of the National Union in 1932. At the end of last year there was an excess of income over expenditure of £380; this year it is only £3 7s. 3d.

Expenses have been kept down as low as possible, and they would have been much larger had not much administrative work been undertaken by the Officers, and other committee members. We believe we have followed the most economical course in attempting to extend the movement at the rate we have. The more rapid the increase in the number of Guilds, the sooner the National Union will reach a position of financial independence and security.

The net expenditure was £2,847 18s. 6d. We began 1933 with £375 cash balance and our assured income was £500 from the first Carnegie grant, affiliation fees £300, and £100 individual subscribers. In March, the Carnegie Trustees generously gave a second grant of £1,000 on which we could draw as we wished during the two years it covered, 1933-35, and £500 of it has been spent during the year under review.

Many Townswomen's Guilds responded generously to the appeal made in the summer, and they have contributed, as in the previous year, over £500. A number of City Companies have been approached, and we gratefully acknowledge the receipt of grants from the Worshipful Companies of Drapers and of Fishmongers, each of which has given for the second time, and the promise of grants from the Worshipful Companies of Armourers and Braziers and of Skinners.

We wish to take this opportunity of recording our sincere thanks to all who have contributed towards the funds of the National Union and helped to make possible the development of our movement this year. We are particularly grateful to the Carnegie Trustees for their continued interest and very valuable support; to the City Companies; to the Townswomen's Guilds that have sent special contributions; and to our regular subscribers, many of whom have covenanted their subscriptions over a period of seven years.

The income received from affiliation fees will increase proportionately with the growth of the N.U.T.G. membership. This year a welcome profit on sales begins to bring in a return for some part of the work involved by the handbook and other publications.

The committee hoped that by its usual methods of raising money the balance of income necessary would be secured. It was found impossible to carry out the various schemes planned without additional assistance, so that in the early autumn Miss Acland Allen was appointed for part-time work. In March a meeting was held by kind invitation of Miss Ishbel MacDonald at 10, Downing Street, to interest Scottish residents in London in the expansion of the movement in Scotland. Sir Godfrey Collins, Secretary of State for Scotland, was present and expressed his hope that the movement would develop rapidly across the Border. A Hallowe'en Dance was organised to inaugurate the T.G. Appeal Week during the early part of November. An Ice Carnival was held in December, and plans are in hand for a Cruising Ball in the early spring.

The sums raised by these enterprises have been disappointing, and the Executive Committee feels that much time and energy is spent on these social functions that can ill be spared from developing the work of the National Union. As a resolution was passed by the Council in 1932 that "all Guilds within the Union be asked to make an annual voluntary quota," the Executive has drawn up a scheme for putting this into effect to be considered at the 1934 Council Meeting. Under this scheme the Council, as before, will approve the budget for the coming year, and the Guilds will accept the responsibility for raising sufficient funds to meet the difference between expenditure and income. This sum will be divided between the Guilds according to their capacity to pay, and each Guild will raise its quota by a voluntary co-operative effort. The generous support which the Guilds have already given suggests that they will readily recognise the advantage of an assured income, so that the National Union may more adequately carry out its double task of extending the movement to new places and of helping the Guilds to develop their educational work along sound lines.

## CO-OPERATION WITH OTHER SOCIETIES

We again have to record friendly relations with a large number of other societies and to express our thanks for much help received from them.

We continue to be in close touch with the National Federation of Women's Institutes, and it would be difficult to overstate the value of the help we constantly receive from their Officers, Executive members and staff. This friendliness is reflected in the County Federations of Women's Institutes. During the year we have got into closer touch with the Council of the Scottish Women's Rural Institutes.

It will be clear to readers of the previous pages that, at many points, the Townswomen's Guilds approach fields which are



already the province of specialist societies; but it is not their intention to compete with them in any way. They exist for the benefit of enthusiasts in their respective subjects; the Guilds attempt to arouse interest among women who have not hitherto studied them, and to guide their members as to where they can find further information. Our "Panel of Speakers" contains the names of over fifty such societies that are prepared to provide speakers for Townswomen's Guild meetings, often at specially reduced fees, and to give help and advice as required.

We would also thank those Local Education Authorities whose active co-operation in arranging classes has been of value to the Guild members in their areas. In some towns adequate classes are already provided as part of a comprehensive scheme of adult education, but too often there are none, or they prove to be held at times when the married woman is unable to avail herself of them, and the formation of special Townswomen's Guild classes is much appreciated by those who join them.

We have been invited to confer with the National Council of Social Service on several occasions, particularly on the question of handicraft teaching in towns; we have been represented at conferences of women's organisations called by it, and by the British Institute of Adult Education, and have a representative on the Council of the Personal Service League. Townswomen's Guilds in all parts of the country are taking an active share in the work which these societies are doing for the benefit of the unemployed.

We again have a representative on the Kent Community Council; and we have appointed observers to the Joint Cinema Committee and the National Cinema Committee.

## THE FUTURE

It is now five years since the first experimental launching of the Townswomen's Guilds and it is not inappropriate to survey their progress and attempt to foresee their future. Their start coincided with the beginnings of the economic depression, and they have developed through times of unusual difficulty.

The experiment has succeeded. Townswomen's Guilds are now well-established in many districts of very different character. We no longer need base our claim for support on good intentions but can point to work accomplished.

Towns which a few years ago repudiated any suggestion of Guilds now find they play a valued part in their civic life. Individual T.G. members of all ages and occupations assure us of the pleasure they derive from their new interests, occupations and friendships. Mistakes have been made, but much has been learnt from failures as well as from successes, and a more definite concept of a Townswomen's Guild is arising from our experience.

The successful Guild is the one which draws its members from all sections of the community, in which employers, employed and unemployed, and the holders of all creeds or political views meet to discuss their common problems; in which business is correctly conducted according to the democratic constitution of the National Union; and which avoids trivialities by a constructive programme of educational value.

The majority of the Guild reports for 1933 are now to hand; they show a marked progress both in the business-like presentation of their facts and in the year's work which they record. The programmes for 1934 also show an improvement and give promise of yet further progress in the years to come.

## PROGRESS

Townswomen in all parts of Great Britain are showing an increasing interest in the work of the N.U.T.G., and requests for new Guilds are constantly received both from new areas, and from places in which the success of the first Townswomen's Guild is so great that there is a demand for others. Progress was, of necessity, slow in the first experimental stages, and much work had to be done which showed no immediate results, but now that five years' experience has been acquired the only obstacle to a rapid extension of the Townswomen's Guild movement is the constant uncertainty about finance. The Executive Committee is confident that provided an adequate income is assured the National Union may look forward to the next five years as a time of rapid growth and increasing usefulness in the work which has been undertaken for the encouragement of the education of Townswomen as citizens to make their best contribution towards the common good.

NATIONAL UNION OF  
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR  
EMBODYING THE APPEAL

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Rent of Offices ... ..		140 0 0
„ Insurance (Fire, Burglary and Workmen's Compensation) ... ..		11 3 4
„ Office Salaries and Insurance (National Health and Unemployment) ... ..		852 9 4
„ Organisers' Salaries ... ..	615 2 1	
„ Organisers' Expenses (travelling, hire of Halls, etc.) ... ..	296 16 10	
		911 18 11
„ Office and General Expenditure—		
Lighting, Heating and Water ... ..	55 2 3	
Cleaning ... ..	29 8 6	
Telephone and Telegrams ... ..	50 0 2	
Postage ... ..	117 12 3	
Miscellaneous ... ..	27 1 10	
		279 5 0
„ Printing and Stationery (less Sales) ... ..		122 16 0
„ Press Cuttings ... ..		3 13 6
„ Schools' Expenses ... ..		9 12 5
„ Annual Council Meeting ... ..		31 7 2
„ Annual Report ... ..		27 17 11
„ Part Disbursement of Grant from Community Committee of the Liverpool Council of Voluntary Aid ... ..		30 0 0
„ Handicrafts—		
Expenses and Salary of Organiser ... ..	11 12 10	
Exhibits ... ..	2 18 7	
		14 11 5
„ Townswoman—		
Copies for free distribution ... ..	21 5 0	
Postage ditto ... ..	4 14 0	
Pages in lieu of leaflets ... ..	12 0 0	
		37 19 0
„ Interest and rebate of Income Tax on Library Fund Investment paid over to London and National Society for Women's Service (where Library is housed) ... ..		12 9 6
„ Bank Charges ... ..		2 12 6
„ Audit Fee ... ..		10 10 0
„ Legal Charges ... ..		2 2 0
„ Depreciation, Furniture and Fittings ... ..		3 17 0
„ Balance, being excess of Income over Expenditure carried to Balance Sheet ... ..		3 7 3
		£2507 12 3

TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILDS  
THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1933  
FIGURES FOR THE YEAR 1933

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
By Affiliation Fees ... ..		327 13 9
„ Subscriptions ... ..		108 14 6
„ Legacy ... ..		1 1 0
„ Interest on Investment ... ..		9 16 0
„ Refund of Income Tax ... ..		4 8 6
„ Interest on Library Fund Investment ... ..	9 6 0	
„ Rebate of Income Tax ... ..	3 3 6	
		12 9 6
„ Rally at Swanwick (balance towards overhead charges) ... ..		30 10 8
„ Profit on Trading ... ..		112 15 1
„ Sundry Receipts ... ..		6 15 10
„ Balance transferred from Townswoman Profit and Loss Account towards overhead charges ... ..		94 10 3
„ Balance transferred from Appeal Receipts and Payments Account, being excess of Receipts over Payments ... ..		1798 17 2
		£2507 12 3

NATIONAL UNION OF TOWNSWOMEN'S  
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Special Contributions from Guilds ... ..	522 9 8	
„ Individual Donations and Subscriptions ... ..	39 7 6	
„ Collection at Downing Street Appeal Meeting	35 12 1	
		597 9 3
„ Grants—		
Carnegie United Kingdom Trust (being £500 balance of 1932/33 grant of £1,000 and £500 part of a grant for £1,000 for 1933/35)	1000 0 0	
Worshipful Company of Drapers ... ..	50 0 0	
Worshipful Company of Fishmongers ... ..	26 5 0	
		1076 5 0
„ Proceeds of Hallowe'en Ball ... ..		41 0 9
„ Proceeds of Ice Carnival, 1932 ... ..		120 18 4
„ On Account of Proceeds of Ice Carnival, 1933		27 3 10
		£1862 17 2

NATIONAL UNION OF  
BALANCE SHEET,

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
RESERVE FUND—		
As on 31st December, 1932 ... ..	340 9 5	
Add—		
Furniture transferred from N.U.S.E.C. ...	32 17 10	
Difference between Assets and Liabilities taken over from Liquidator of the Com- mon Cause Publishing Co., Ltd. ... ..	7 2 4	
		380 9 7
ENDOWMENT AND BUILDING RESERVE FUND—		
Donations ... ..	10 0 0	
Interest received and invested ... ..	0 3 6	
CAVENDISH BENTINCK LIBRARY TRUST FUND ... ..	261 17 9	
CREDITORS ... ..	229 13 4	
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT—		
As on 31st December, 1932 ... ..	380 4 10	
Add: Surplus for year ... ..	3 7 3	
		383 12 1
		£1265 16 1

We have examined the above Statement with the Books, Accounts therewith.

Spencer House, South Place, E.C.2.  
February 9th, 1934.

GUILDS APPEAL FUND  
THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1933

	£ s. d.
By Salary of Appeal Organiser ... ..	64 0 0
„ Balance, being excess of Receipts over Payments carried to Income and Expenditure Account of the National Union of Townswomen's Guilds ... ..	1798 17 2
	£1862 17 2

TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILDS  
31ST DECEMBER, 1933

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
OFFICE FURNITURE AND FITTINGS—		
As on 31st December, 1932 ... ..	47 1 0	
Add:		
Transferred from N.U.S.E.C. ... ..	32 17 10	
Purchased during year ... ..	18 18 2	
		98 17 0
Less: Depreciation ... ..	3 17 0	
		95 0 0
RESERVE FUND INVESTMENT—		
£320 3½% War Loan (Registered) ... ..	300 9 5	
ENDOWMENT AND BUILDING FUND INVESTMENT ... ..	10 3 6	
CAVENDISH BENTINCK LIBRARY TRUST FUND IN- VESTMENT—		
£275 13s. 5d. 4½% Conversion Stock, 1940/44	261 17 9	
PAYMENTS IN ADVANCE ... ..	12 1 6	
STOCK OF STATIONERY, HANDBOOKS, ETC. ... ..	43 8 0	
DEBTORS ... ..	132 15 11	
CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND ... ..	410 0 2	
		£1265 16 1

and Vouchers relating thereto, and certify the same to be in accordance

(Signed) KNOX, CROPPER & CO.,  
Chartered Accountants.

"THE  
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR

	£	s.	d.
To Publishing Expenses ... ..	199	19	9
„ Postage ... ..	50	5	10
„ Printing and Stationery ... ..	5	15	0
„ Miscellaneous ... ..	2	8	11
„ Balance, being Gross Profit carried down ... ..	93	0	3
	£351	9	9

To Balance carried to Income and Expenditure Account of National Union of Townswomen's Guilds ... ..	94	10	3
	£94	10	3

"TOWNSWOMAN"  
THE PERIOD ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1933

	£	s.	d.
By Sales, less Returns ... ..	240	7	11
„ Prepaid Subscriptions ... ..	51	6	1
„ John and Pam Booklets ... ..	5	1	5
„ Advertisement Revenue ... ..	54	14	4
	£351	9	9

By Balance brought down ... ..	93	0	3
„ Donations ... ..	1	10	0
	£94	10	3

## SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS

JANUARY 1st UNTIL DECEMBER 31st, 1933

	Annual Subscriptions	Subscriptions and Donations to Appeal Fund
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auerbach, Mrs. ... ..	5 0 0	
Bannister, Mrs. ... ..	0 10 6	
Barber, Mrs. Fred ... ..	0 10 0	
Beadon, Miss ... ..	0 5 0	
Bertram, Mrs. ... ..	0 2 6	
Bigland, Mrs. ... ..	0 5 0	
Blamires, Mrs. ... ..	3 0 0	
Booth, Lady ... ..	0 10 0	
Bryson, Miss H. I. ... ..	1 1 0	
Buchanan, Miss M. J. ... ..	0 10 0	
Bulmer, Mrs. ... ..	1 0 0	
Caton, Miss A. R. ... ..		1 0 0
Clapp, Miss A. ... ..		3 0 6
Clark, Miss Bertha ... ..	0 2 6	
Cobb, Mrs. Cecil ... ..	0 2 6	
Collection, Downing Street Appeal Meeting ... ..		35 12 1
Corbett, Mrs. Adrian ... ..	5 5 0	7 5 0
Cropper, Mrs. Marion ... ..	1 0 0	
Dalton, Mrs. ... ..	0 10 6	
Darbishire, Mrs. ... ..	2 0 0	
Dawson, Miss Emily A. ... ..	0 15 0	
Denman, The Lady ... ..		20 0 0
Elgood, Miss J. O. S. ... ..	0 3 0	
Elworthy, Miss ... ..	0 10 0	
Enthoven, Mrs. ... ..	3 3 0	
Evans, Miss A. G. ... ..	1 1 0	
Executive Committee Halfpenny Fund ... ..		1 1 0
Fawcett, Miss P. G. ... ..	6 6 0	
Fisher, Councillor Mrs. ... ..	0 2 6	
Flugel, Mrs. ... ..	2 2 0	
Franklin, Miss A. C. ... ..	1 1 0	
Fry, Miss S. Margery ... ..	0 10 6	
Fulford, Miss C. ... ..	1 1 0	
Gibb, Miss E. D. ... ..	0 2 6	
Godber, Miss ... ..	0 5 0	
Godwin, Mrs. ... ..	1 1 0	
Goodey, Miss F. E. ... ..	0 5 0	
Goodman, Mrs. ... ..	0 5 0	
Gossage, Mrs. ... ..	2 12 6	
Greg, Miss E. M. ... ..	0 10 0	
Gregory, Mrs. ... ..	1 0 0	
Hadfield, Mrs. ... ..	0 10 6	
Hamond-Graeme, Lady ... ..	1 1 0	
Hanson, Miss E. M. ... ..	0 1 0	
Hardy, Miss S. J. ... ..	0 5 0	
Heywood, Miss ... ..	0 10 6	
Hoc, Miss Mary ... ..	1 0 0	
Holyoake, Mrs. ... ..	3 0 0	
Hopkins, Miss Julia ... ..	0 2 6	
Horsley, Lady ... ..	1 1 0	
Horton, Esq., H. V. ... ..	1 1 0	
Hughes, Mrs. Alfred ... ..	2 5 0	
Hughes, Mrs. ... ..		2 2 0
Hutchins, Miss B. L. ... ..	0 5 0	
Irving, Mrs. ... ..	0 10 6	
Isaac, Miss E. A. ... ..	0 2 6	
Jones, Miss H. M. ... ..	1 1 0	
Joseph, Mrs. Ernest ... ..	0 10 6	
King, Mrs. ... ..	0 5 0	
Kinnear, Mrs. ... ..	0 5 0	
Lambourne, Mrs. C. P. ... ..	0 10 6	
Lawrence, Mrs. ... ..	1 1 0	
Lever, Miss Emily ... ..	2 2 0	
Lloyd, Mrs. Godfrey ... ..	1 1 0	
Lloyd George, M.P., Miss Megan ... ..	0 10 6	
Lupton, Miss M. W. ... ..	0 10 0	
Lyall, Mrs. ... ..		0 15 0
Macadam, Miss Elizabeth ... ..	0 10 0	
MacIver, Mrs. ... ..	0 10 0	
Carried forward	£65 2 6	£70 15 7

	Annual Subscriptions	Subscriptions and Donations to Appeal Fund
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	65 2 6	70 15 7
McKay, Miss ... ..	1 0 0	
Mayhew, Lady ... ..	1 0 0	
Millburn, Mrs. ... ..	0 2 6	
Miller, Mrs. K. I. ... ..	0 10 6	
Monro, Mrs. ... ..	0 10 6	
Moon, Mrs. M. ... ..	0 10 6	
Ockleston, Miss E. ... ..	1 0 0	
Overton, Mrs. ... ..	0 10 0	
Plender, G.B.E., Rt. Hon. Lord ... ..		3 3 0
Prestwich, Miss Irene P. ... ..	0 10 6	
Reckitt, Miss Juliet ... ..	1 1 0	
Reekie, Mrs. ... ..	0 10 6	
Reincke, Mrs. ... ..	1 0 0	
Salter, Miss Emma Gurney ... ..	0 2 6	
Samuel, J.P., Miss Ida ... ..	0 8 0	
Schuster, Mrs. Ernest ... ..	3 3 0	
Senior, Mrs. ... ..	0 10 0	
Sinclair, Lady ... ..		1 1 0
Sloane, Miss E. J. ... ..	1 1 0	
Snodgrass, Miss Mary A. ... ..	0 10 6	
Stafford, Mrs. ... ..	1 0 0	
Stoney, Miss E. A. ... ..	0 5 0	
Taylor, Mrs. Fred ... ..	1 1 0	
Taylor, Miss M. A. ... ..	0 10 6	
Teacher, Miss A. McD. ... ..	1 0 0	
Thomas, Miss Isabel ... ..	0 2 6	
Tickner, Miss Georgina M. ... ..	0 10 6	

### Townswomen's Guilds and Area Federations—

Acocks Green, etc. ... ..	7 12 1
Alvaston ... ..	2 13 0
Ashford (Middlesex) ... ..	5 0 0
Banff ... ..	6 6 0
Bannockburn ... ..	2 2 0
Bathgate ... ..	3 0 0
Beaconsfield ... ..	16 4 5
Becontree ... ..	1 0 0
Belper ... ..	4 5 0
Bermondsey ... ..	3 3 0
Berwick-on-Tweed ... ..	1 10 0
Bethnal Green ... ..	1 1 0
Bo'ness ... ..	1 6 0
Brixham ... ..	5 0 0
Buckie ... ..	4 0 0
Bullingdon ... ..	2 0 0
Bushey ... ..	5 6 0
Burnham ... ..	1 1 0
Canning Town Settlement ... ..	1 0 0
Chapel-en-le-Frith ... ..	3 0 0
Chesham Bois ... ..	5 0 0
Chiswick ... ..	1 1 0
Cippenham ... ..	2 2 0
Cowley Central ... ..	1 0 0
Crieff ... ..	1 1 0
Darley Dale ... ..	1 10 0
Darlington ... ..	5 0 0
Darlington West End ... ..	1 1 0
Dawlish ... ..	8 4 6
Derby Suburban ... ..	6 0 0
Dorking ... ..	1 1 0
Downham ... ..	0 16 6
Dovecot ... ..	1 1 0
Durham ... ..	2 2 0
Fraserburgh ... ..	5 0 0
Grangemouth ... ..	2 2 0
Guildford ... ..	2 0 0
Hale ... ..	10 0 0
Halesowen ... ..	3 0 0
Hampshire Federation ... ..	2 0 0
Hampstead ... ..	2 0 0
Harrow ... ..	7 0 0
Hassocks ... ..	5 0 0
Haywards Heath ... ..	3 4 7
Carried forward	£83 13 0
	£229 15 8

	Brought forward	Annual Subscriptions		Subscriptions and Donations to Appeal Fund	
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Heston	...	83	13 0	229	15 8
Highlands	...			8	0 0
Hove	...			35	0 0
Horwich	...			5	0 0
Isca (Exeter)	...			2	0 0
Kelso	...			4	14 6
Kemptown	...			7	7 0
Kenilworth	...			2	10 6
Kensington North	...			7	1 8
Kirkintilloch	...			4	12 6
Leatherhead	...			0	10 0
Linlithgow	...			7	7 0
Littleover	...			5	0 0
Ludlow	...			5	0 0
Matlock	...			1	16 0
Middlesbrough	...			2	2 0
Mill Hill	...			1	3 0
Mudeford	...			9	0 0
Nantyglo	...			2	2 0
Newhaven	...			1	1 0
New Malden	...			2	0 0
Norris Green	...			13	0 0
North London Federation	...			0	10 0
New Mills	...			17	0 0
Oxford, South	...			2	10 0
Oakengates	...			2	2 0
Peterhead	...			0	10 6
Plean	...			3	0 0
Plymouth Central	...			1	0 0
Preston (Brighton)	...			1	12 0
Preston (Paignton)	...			2	2 0
Pype Hayes (see Acocks Green)	...			5	0 0
Reading	...			5	0 0
Richings Park	...			10	0 0
Richmond (Surrey)	...			1	18 6
Rickmansworth	...			2	6 6
Romford	...			6	15 0
St. Helier	...			1	16 6
St. Loyes (Exeter)	...			0	12 0
St. Thomas (Exeter)	...			3	3 0
Sale	...			10	0 0
Sandown	...			1	0 0
Shoeburyness	...			5	5 0
Southall	...			25	0 0
Southampton	...			2	12 0
Southend	...			3	3 0
Stepney	...			1	1 0
Stonehaven	...			5	2 0
Stourbridge	...			10	0 0
Stourport	...			10	0 0
Tamworth	...			12	0 0
Timperley	...			15	0 0
Thurso	...			4	4 0
Tolworth	...			9	0 8
Totnes	...			5	0 0
Turriff	...			3	3 0
Walton-on-Thames	...			2	2 0
Wellington	...			4	0 0
Westcliff (Essex)	...			5	5 0
Weybridge	...			18	18 3
Wheaton	...			1	10 0
Wick	...			4	0 0
Wigan	...			3	10 0
Withernsea	...			5	16 6
Worthing	...			7	16 0
Wyken (see Acocks Green)	...				
Van Gruisen, Mrs.	...	20	0 0		
Van Gruisen, Esq., A. H.	...	2	0 0		
Wade, Miss S. L.	...	0	10 6		
Watkins, Miss Ethel	...	0	5 0		
Watson, Mrs.	...	1	1 0		
Whitting, Mrs. A. G.	...	1	0 0		
Wilson, Dr. Helen	...	0	5 0		
		£108	14 6	£597	9 3

## APPENDIX I CONSTITUTION AND RULES

of the  
**NATIONAL UNION OF  
TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILDS**  
(as amended at the Annual Council Meeting,  
13th-15th March, 1934.)

### I.—TITLE

The National Union of Townswomen's Guilds (hereinafter referred to as the National Union).

### II.—OBJECT

To encourage the education of women to enable them as citizens to make their best contribution towards the common good.

### III.—METHODS

- 1—To form in towns and urban areas Townswomen's Guilds that will serve as centres for women, irrespective of creed and party, for their wider education, including the study of:—  
social and civic problems;  
the science and practice of home-making and house-craft;  
handicrafts, arts, music and drama; and  
all other matters calculated to further the object of the National Union as above stated.
- 2—To give such assistance as may be deemed necessary for the furtherance of the above studies by Townswomen's Guilds.
- 3—To form Area Federations of Townswomen's Guilds.
- 4—To further the attainment of the above object by the holding of conferences, meetings, and by other means, provided that no matter shall be brought forward at a conference or meeting for the purpose of sectarian or party-political propaganda.
- 5—To apply the funds of the National Union solely for the above object and not otherwise.

### IV.—CONSTITUTION

The National Union shall consist of:—

- (a) Townswomen's Guilds, which are associations of women formed in accordance with the form of Constitution and Rules laid down for the Townswomen's Guilds by the Council of the National Union.
- (b) Area Federations, which are associations of Townswomen's Guilds in an area approved by the National Union, and formed in accordance with the form of Constitution and Rules for Area Federations laid down by the Council of the National Union.

## V.—ADMINISTRATION

The administration of the work of the National Union shall be vested in

- (a) A Council.
- (b) An Executive Committee.

## VI.—THE COUNCIL MEETING

1—The Council of the National Union shall consist of:—

- (a) Two delegates from each Townswomen's Guild affiliated to the National Union.
- (b) Two delegates from each Area Federation affiliated to the National Union.
- (c) The members of the Executive Committee.
- (d) The President, and the Honorary President and Vice-Presidents (if any), of the National Union.

2—The Council shall meet at least once a year.

3—Its functions shall be:—

- (a) To elect at its Annual Meeting the President and the Executive Committee.
- (b) To appoint an Honorary President and Vice-Presidents (if any).
- (c) To receive at its Annual Meeting the annual report and statement of accounts and balance sheet.
- (d) To deal with resolutions concerning rules and other resolutions which are (in the opinion of the Executive Committee) within the object of the National Union.

4— (a) The Annual Meeting of the Council shall be held in March, and notice thereof shall be given to Guilds on the first of the preceding November.

- (b) Resolutions and alterations to the rules for inclusion in the preliminary agenda for the Annual Council Meeting, shall reach the offices of the National Union on the first of the preceding December, and the preliminary agenda shall be despatched to Secretaries of Townswomen's Guilds by the first of January. Only those resolutions which have been sent in by the specified date shall be moved at the meeting, unless urgency is granted.

(c) Amendments to the preliminary agenda for inclusion in the final agenda shall be sent to the Secretary of the National Union so that they reach the offices of the National Union on the first of February, and the final agenda shall be dispatched to the Secretaries of Townswomen's Guilds on the 15th of February.

(d) In the event of a national emergency, e.g., death of a sovereign, general election, or strike, the Executive Committee shall have power to postpone the Annual Council Meeting.

(e) Resolutions and amendments shall be placed on the agenda in the name of a Townswomen's Guild, or of an Area Federation, or of the Executive Committee, or of the President, or of a member of the Executive Committee of the National Union.

5—Special meetings may be called by the Executive Committee or at the request of one-quarter of the Townswomen's Guilds. In this latter case, six weeks' notice shall be given, and the quorum for the meeting shall be one-quarter of the Townswomen's Guilds in the National Union.

6—All Townswomen's Guilds, save those formed within three months of the Council Meeting, shall make equal contributions to a fund to equalise the cost of fares for one delegate from each Townswomen's Guild represented at the Council Meeting. Each Townswomen's Guild sending delegates to the Council shall receive from this fund the railway fare for one delegate.

7—Members of Townswomen's Guilds sending delegates may be admitted to Council meetings as visitors at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

8—Associate Societies, which shall be limited to Societies affiliated to the National Union before March, 1932, shall be entitled to send two representatives, who may speak but not vote.

## VII.—THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1—The Executive Committee shall consist of the President and twenty-three other members; it shall hold office until the first meeting of the newly-elected committee, which shall be held within fifteen days of its election.

- 2—The Executive Committee shall be responsible to the Council for :—
- (a) The management of the National Union.
  - (b) The administration of the funds of the National Union.
  - (c) The publication of "The Townswoman."
  - (d) The carrying out of the obligations of the National Union with regard to Townswomen's Guilds and to Area Federations as laid down in the constitutions and rules for Townswomen's Guilds and Area Federations.
  - (e) The carrying out of the policy decided by the Council.
- 3—The Executive Committee shall have power, on behalf of the National Union, to raise funds, solicit and obtain grants, donations, subscriptions and loans from state, municipal, local and other authorities, corporations, councils and other bodies and from any companies, associations, firms and persons whatsoever, and to receive legacies and other benefits.
- 4—At its first meeting after election, the Executive Committee shall elect the Chairman, Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Secretary.
- 5—The Executive Committee shall appoint a representative to each Area Federation.
- 6—The Executive Committee shall have power to co-opt two members; any vacancy occurring on the Executive Committee may also be filled by co-option.
- 7—The Executive Committee shall appoint the paid officers of the National Union.
- 8—The travelling expenses and reasonable allowances towards maintenance of Executive Committee members when attending committee meetings of the National Union may be paid from the funds of the National Union when the funds allow of this expenditure, and when the Council has approved of a detailed scheme drawn up by the Executive Committee.
- 9—No other remuneration shall be given by the National Union to any honorary officer or member of the Executive Committee except repayment of out-of-pocket expenses.
- 10—The Executive Committee shall have power to exercise the rights and carry out the obligations of the National Union in relation to the Cavendish Bentinck and Edward Wright Libraries, and to make and concur with other persons or bodies in making such rules and provisions for the future conduct of the said Libraries as shall seem expedient to the Executive Committee.

- 11—The Executive Committee shall have power to deal with any matters affecting the National Union which are not otherwise provided for.
- 12—The Executive Committee shall from time to time make its own rules and standing orders.
- 13—The Executive Committee shall have power to set up sub-committees, and shall draw up their terms of reference and standing orders.

#### VIII.—OFFICERS OF THE NATIONAL UNION.

The Officers of the National Union shall be President, Chairman, Honorary Treasurer, Honorary Secretary, who shall be ex-officio members of the Executive Committee and of all sub-committees of the Executive Committee of the National Union.

#### IX.—NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

- 1—All candidates for election as President and members of the Executive Committee shall :—
- (a) be members of a Townswomen's Guild ;
  - (b) be nominated by a Townswomen's Guild or an Area Federation, or a member of the Executive Committee ;
  - (c) have given their consent to nomination.
- 2—Nominations, together with the name of the Townswomen's Guild to which each candidate belongs, and official position (if any) in that Townswomen's Guild, or an Area Federation, shall be received at the offices of the National Union not later than the 1st day of February, and will be issued with the final agenda.
- 3—No salaried official of the National Union shall be eligible for election.
- 4—All officers and members of the Executive Committee shall hold office for one year, but shall be eligible for re-election.
- 5—All elections shall be by ballot.

#### X.—FINANCE

- 1—The funds of the National Union shall consist of :—
- (a) affiliation fees from Townswomen's Guilds of 6d. per Townswomen's Guild member;
  - (b) membership fees of 10/6 per annum from associate societies ;



- (c) such other funds as may be raised on behalf of the National Union by the Executive Committee or by Townswomen's Guilds, or by Area Federations.
- 2—The accounts of the National Union shall be audited annually by an auditor or auditors appointed by the Council, and a copy of the statement of accounts and balance sheet shall be sent to each Townswomen's Guild with the final agenda of the Annual Council Meeting.
- 3—The Executive Committee of the National Union shall open a banking account. All cheques drawn on the banking account of the National Union shall bear two signatures, those authorised to sign shall be the Honorary Treasurer and three other persons authorised by the Executive Committee of the National Union to sign cheques on behalf of the National Union.
- 4—The National Union shall nominate such persons as trustees, not exceeding three in number, or any Bank or other corporation legally authorised to act in such capacity, to hold real and personal property, stocks, shares, securities and monies on behalf of the National Union, and to sell and convert the same into money and to invest, re-invest and change the investment of all and any of the property, stocks, shares and other securities and monies so held by them and at the direction of the Executive Committee to apply the capital and income thereof for the purposes of the National Union. A copy of a resolution of the Executive Committee purporting to be signed by the Chairman or like official presiding over the meeting at which such resolution is stated to have been passed or confirmed, and countersigned by the Secretary, shall be sufficient authority and discharge of the trustees as to any such application as may be mentioned in the said resolution, provided always that the funds of the National Union may be applied only in investment for the purposes of the National Union of Townswomen's Guilds as hereinbefore set forth and towards such purposes and not otherwise.
- 5—No trade or business shall be carried on by or on behalf of the National Union or by or on behalf of any Area Federation, or Townswomen's Guild or group of Townswomen's Guilds except in accordance with Section 30 of the Finance Act, 1921.\*

\*Section 30 of the Finance Act provides in effect that exemption shall be granted from Income Tax under Schedule D in respect of the profits of a trade carried on by any organisation with objects similar to those of the Townswomen's Guild movement, if the work in connection with the trade is mainly carried on by the members, and the profits are applied solely for the purposes of the movement.

## XI.—DISSOLUTION

- 1—A Townswomen's Guild whose conduct may be detrimental to the best interests of the movement may be closed or suspended by the National Union and may be re-instated by the same authority. In the event of a Townswomen's Guild dissolving or being closed or suspended, the balance of the funds remaining after the payment of all outstanding liabilities shall be handed over to the National Union to be held by it until the Townswomen's Guild is revived or for three years, whichever is the shorter period. If at the end of that time the Townswomen's Guild is not revived the funds shall remain the property of the National Union.
- 2—An Area Federation may be dissolved by the National Union, when the Federation funds, after payment of all outstanding liabilities, shall be sent to the National Union for equal distribution among all the Townswomen's Guilds forming that Area Federation.

## XII.—AFFILIATION TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS

The National Union may become affiliated with any body having objects which are consistent with the object of the National Union.

## XIII.—ALTERATION OF RULES

- 1—Alterations to rules shall be made only at the Annual Council Meeting or at a special meeting of the Council, the requisite notice of any proposed alteration having been given.
- 2—Alterations to rules shall be valid only if passed by a three-fourths majority of the members present and voting. A rule once passed shall not be open to alteration for three years unless a resolution to alter it is sent in for the agenda of the Annual Council Meeting by the Executive Committee of the National Union or by one-fifth of the Area Federations or one-sixth of the Townswomen's Guilds within the National Union. A proposed alteration to rules, if defeated at the Council Meeting, shall not, unless it has secured a majority vote, be again brought forward for three years except by the Executive Committee of the National Union, or one-fifth of the Area Federations or one-sixth of the Townswomen's Guilds within the National Union.

APPENDIX II  
CONSTITUTION AND RULES  
of  
TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILDS

(as amended at the Annual Council Meeting of the N.U.T.G.,  
13th-15th March, 1934.)

I.—NAME

The name of the Townswomen's Guild is

.....  
Townswomen's Guild.

II.—OBJECTS

- 1—To encourage the education of women to enable them as citizens to make their best contribution towards the common good.
- 2—To serve as a common meeting ground for women irrespective of creed and party, for their wider education including social intercourse.

III.—METHODS

- 1—To hold regular monthly meetings and to serve as a centre for the study of:—
  - social and civic problems ;
  - the science and practice of home-making and house-craft ;
  - handicrafts, arts, music and drama ;
  - and to stimulate interest in local history, the preservation of the beauty of the town and countryside, and all other matters calculated to further the above objects, provided that no matter shall be brought forward at a meeting for the purpose of sectarian or party-political propaganda.
- 2—To apply the funds of the Townswomen's Guild solely for the above objects and not otherwise.

IV.—CONSTITUTION

- 1—A Townswomen's Guild is an association of women formed in accordance with the rules laid down for Townswomen's Guilds by the National Union of Townswomen's Guilds (hereinafter referred to as the National Union).

- 2—A Townswomen's Guild shall consist of not less than 25 members who shall pay the required subscription and sign a declaration to the following effect:—

“ I, whose name is subscribed hereto, being desirous of becoming a member of the ..... Townswomen's Guild, do agree to pay the Treasurer of the said Townswomen's Guild the sum of two shillings yearly while I continue a member of the said Townswomen's Guild ; and I further agree to conform to and abide by the constitution and rules of the said Townswomen's Guild, and all rules and regulations duly made for the government and management of Townswomen's Guilds.”

- 3—A Townswomen's Guild shall be considered duly established only if it has been formed by a representative appointed by the National Union, and accepted for affiliation by the National Union.
- 4—A Townswomen's Guild shall be terminated only after a special meeting of the Townswomen's Guild has been called for the purpose, which shall be attended by a representative of the National Union. A Townswomen's Guild whose conduct may be detrimental to the best interests of the movement may be closed or suspended by the National Union and may be re-instated by the same authority. In the event of a Townswomen's Guild dissolving or being closed or suspended, the balance of the funds remaining after the payment of all outstanding liabilities shall be handed over to the National Union to be held by it until the Townswomen's Guild is revived or for three years, whichever is the shorter period. If at the end of that time the Townswomen's Guild is not revived the funds shall remain the property of the National Union.

V.—MEMBERSHIP

- 1—The membership of a Townswomen's Guild shall be open only to women and girls who have paid the required subscription and signed the membership card. Those who wish to join after the inaugural meeting must either be introduced by a member of the Townswomen's Guild at the monthly meeting which may elect them, or send in their applications, together with the names of the proposer and seconder, who shall be members of the Townswomen's Guild, to the Secretary of the Townswomen's Guild, in order that the Committee at its next meeting may elect them. The Townswomen's Guild shall decide which method shall be adopted.

2—The Townswomen's Guild Committee shall have the power to terminate the membership of any member of the Townswomen's Guild.

3—A member whose membership is terminated by resignation or resolution of the Townswomen's Guild Committee, shall cease to have any of the rights or privileges attaching to membership.

#### VI.—COMMITTEE AND OFFICERS

1—At the Annual Meeting the Townswomen's Guild shall elect a Committee of not less than ten and not more than fifteen members, including the officers.

2—The officers shall be Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Honorary Treasurer, and Honorary Secretary; or in Scotland, President, Vice-President, Honorary Treasurer, and Honorary Secretary. They shall be elected, either at the Annual Meeting or by the Committee at its first meeting. The Guild shall decide in each case which method to adopt. No member may hold office or be a Committee member in more than one Townswomen's Guild without the sanction of the National Union.

3—The committee may co-opt four members in addition to the elected members, and may fill by co-option any vacancies occurring during the year.

4—The officers and members of committee shall retire annually but shall be eligible for re-election.

5—The committee shall be responsible to the Townswomen's Guild for :—

- (a) Arrangements for Townswomen's Guild meetings.
- (b) Outlining schemes of work and presenting the same to the Townswomen's Guild for approval.
- (c) Carrying out the wishes of the Townswomen's Guild in connection with any scheme of work.
- (d) Administering the funds of the Townswomen's Guild, as approved by the Townswomen's Guild.

6—The committee shall have power to appoint sub-committees which shall retire at the Annual Meeting. The committee shall draw up the terms of reference and standing orders of the sub-committees, which may have power to co-opt. The Chairman or Secretary of a sub-committee shall be a member of the committee. The officers of a Townswomen's Guild shall be ex-officio members of all sub-committees.

#### VII.—PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENTS

The Townswomen's Guild may at its Annual Meeting appoint a President and Vice-Presidents; or, in Scotland, Honorary President and Honorary Vice-Presidents.

#### VIII.—ELECTIONS

1—All elections shall be by ballot.

2—Only those who have been regularly enrolled as members and paid their subscriptions to date shall be eligible for election as officers or committee members, or entitled to vote.

3—Each member of the Townswomen's Guild shall have the right to send in nominations up to the number of places to be filled ; the consent of the nominees shall be obtained.

4—Nominations shall be made in writing at least a fortnight before the date fixed for the election.

#### IX.—MEETINGS

1—A regular monthly meeting shall be held on a regular day and at an hour and place decided upon by the members.

2—The Annual Meeting shall be held in the months of October, November, or December each year ; the place and date shall be fixed by the members. Notice of the meeting containing the date, place and hour of the meeting, and the agenda, shall be sent by the Secretary to each member of the Townswomen's Guild at least ten days in advance. The committee shall present for adoption a report of the work of the year, or, in the case of Townswomen's Guilds formed during that calendar year, of the period since its formation, including an audited statement of accounts and balance sheet for that period. At the Annual Meeting one-third of the members of the Townswomen's Guild shall form a quorum.

3—A special meeting of the Townswomen's Guild may be called at the request of three-quarters of the members of the Townswomen's Guild.

4—Committee meetings shall be held at the discretion of the committee not less than six times in the year. At meetings of the committee one-third shall form a quorum.

## X.—CONDITIONS OF AFFILIATION

- 1—On signing these rules, and on payment of the registration fee of five shillings, a Townswomen's Guild shall be affiliated to the National Union of Townswomen's Guilds, by the rules of which it shall be bound, and shall be eligible to be represented at the Council of the National Union. It shall also be eligible to be represented on the .....  
.....  
Area Federation Committee, when it shall be bound by the rules of the Federation.
- 2—A Townswomen's Guild shall pay such affiliation fees as may from time to time be determined by the National Union at its Council Meeting.
- 3—A representative of the National Union appointed by the Executive Committee may attend any Meetings of a Townswomen's Guild.
- 4—A Townswomen's Guild shall furnish a copy of its annual report and financial statement by 1st January to the National Union, and other returns when required.
- 5—A Townswomen's Guild shall obtain the sanction of the National Union before becoming affiliated with any society other than the National Union.

## XI.—FINANCE

- 1—The annual subscription shall be two shillings, payable by each member on joining a Townswomen's Guild and in each Guild year thereafter.
- 2—(a) The affiliation fee shall be sixpence per member per annum. The amount due from each Townswomen's Guild shall be payable to the National Union on the first of January and shall be twenty-five per cent. of the total membership subscriptions received by the Townswomen's Guild during the previous Guild financial year.
  - (b) But the affiliation fee payable on first January by a Townswomen's Guild formed between the first July and first October of the preceding year shall be three pence per member or twelve and one-half per cent. (one-eighth) of the total membership subscriptions received during that period.
  - (c) The registration fee of five shillings payable at the time of formation of a Townswomen's Guild shall be deducted from the amount due on the first of January following.

- 3—The committee shall open a banking account and shall authorise members to sign cheques. Each cheque shall be signed by the Treasurer and one of the two other members authorised to sign.
- 4—All money collected by sub-committees shall be handed to the Townswomen's Guild Treasurer and paid into the Guild account at the Bank. All expenditure by sub-committees shall be approved by the Guild committee and paid by the Guild Treasurer.
- 5—The Treasurer shall make a monthly report to the committee and to the Townswomen's Guild.
- 6—The accounts of the Townswomen's Guild shall be audited annually by an auditor appointed by the Townswomen's Guild at its Annual Meeting. The auditor, if not of professional standing, shall be someone with a knowledge of business and not related to its Treasurer.
- 7—(a) All money raised by the Townswomen's Guild belongs to its funds unless it is otherwise agreed by the Townswomen's Guild before the money is collected, and may be spent only in accordance with the objects of the Townswomen's Guild. Area Federation fees and sums for general Federation purposes may be paid from the Townswomen's Guild funds, from which the expenses of elected representatives of the Townswomen's Guild may also be paid. No remuneration shall be given by Townswomen's Guilds to any honorary officer or member of the committee except repayment of out-of-pocket expenses.
  - (b) Townswomen's Guild funds may not be spent on philanthropic or charitable work outside the Townswomen's Guild. Money may be raised for these and other purposes that do not conflict with the objects of the Townswomen's Guild, provided that the Townswomen's Guild passes a resolution previous to the raising of the money, specifying the particular purpose for which it is raised.
  - (c) The Townswomen's Guild shall have power to raise funds, solicit and obtain grants, donations, and subscriptions.
- 8—No trade or business shall be carried on by or on behalf of the Townswomen's Guild except in accordance with Section 30 of the Finance Act, 1932.\*

\* Section 30 of the Finance Act provides in effect that exemption shall be granted from Income Tax under Schedule D in respect of the profits of a trade carried on by any organisation with objects similar to those of the Townswomen's Guild movement, if the work in connection with the trade is mainly carried on by the members, and the profits are applied solely for the purposes of the movement.

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XII.—ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO CONSTITUTION AND LOCAL RULES

- 1—Alterations to these rules shall be made only at the Council Meeting of the National Union.
2—A Townswomen's Guild may make local rules, but these shall be made only at an Annual Meeting or at a special Townswomen's Guild meeting called for the purpose, and passed by three-quarters of the members present and voting. Such local rules shall only be valid, provided they do not conflict with the Constitution and Rules of the National Union, nor the Area Federation, nor with this Constitution and Rules, and have received the sanction of the National Union.
3—The title of the Townswomen's Guild shall be altered only with the sanction of the National Union.

Signed on behalf of the .....

..... Townswomen's Guild.

..... Chairman.

..... Honorary Secretary.

Date .....

APPENDIX III
CONSTITUTION AND RULES

of
AREA FEDERATIONS OF TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILDS

(as amended at the Annual Council Meeting of the N.U.T.G., 13th-15th March, 1934.)

I.—NAME

The name of the Area Federation is .....

Area Federation, hereinafter referred to as the Federation.

II.—CONSTITUTION

- 1—A Federation is formed of Townswomen's Guilds in defined areas, such areas to be arranged by the National Union of Townswomen's Guilds (hereinafter referred to as the National Union) in consultation with the local Townswomen's Guilds.
2—The title of the Federation shall be agreed between the National Union and the Townswomen's Guilds concerned, and any change in the title or area of the Federation may be made only by the National Union in consultation with the Guilds in the Federation.
3—The Federation committee shall sign these rules, and be bound by the rules of the National Union.

III.—FUNCTIONS

The functions of a Federation shall be :—

- 1—To co-ordinate the activities of Townswomen's Guilds in its area and assist them to develop their educational work by :—
interchanging ideas and information ;
drawing up panels of speakers and co-operating in programme planning ;
receiving regular reports of the Townswomen's Guilds in the area ;
inaugurating and carrying out joint activities among the Townswomen's Guilds ;
acting as representative of the Townswomen's Guilds in the area by bringing their needs before public bodies such as local Education Authorities and making a link with other voluntary bodies such as the County Federations of Women's Institutes in England and of the Women's Rural Institutes in Scotland.

- 2—To consult with the National Union on matters affecting Townswomen's Guilds.
- 3—To assist the National Union in forming new Townswomen's Guilds in the area.

#### IV.—METHODS

- 1—The business of a Federation shall be conducted by a Committee consisting of an equal number of delegates, not exceeding three, from each Townswomen's Guild in the area. The delegates, one of whom shall be a member of the Townswomen's Guild Committee, shall be elected annually by each Townswomen's Guild, and shall take office at the first meeting following the Annual Council meeting of the National Union. Should a delegate be unable to attend a meeting of the Committee, a substitute may be sent by the officers of the Townswomen's Guild. The Townswomen's Guild to which the Chairman of the Federation belongs shall appoint a permanent delegate in her place.

A Federation may also request the Townswomen's Guild which the Federation Honorary Secretary represents to take similar action, but in that case the Honorary Secretary may speak but may not vote.

- 2—Decisions involving policy or financial obligation shall be imposed on a Townswomen's Guild only with its consent.
- 3—A Townswomen's Guild shall withdraw its delegates from a Federation Committee only by a resolution of the Townswomen's Guild which shall be forwarded in writing to the Federation and to the National Union.
- 4—The Federation Committee shall not carry out any policy that is in any way contrary to the policy of the National Union.
- 5—The Federation Committee may make local rules, which shall be approved by the National Union.
- 6—The Federation Committee shall affiliate to organisations outside the National Union only with the consent of the National Union.
- 7—All disputes that cannot be settled locally shall be referred to the National Union whose decision shall be final.

#### V.—OFFICERS

- 1—The Officers of the Federation shall be elected by the Committee from among the delegates at the first meeting after the Annual Council Meeting of the National Union, and shall consist of a Chairman, Vice-Chairman (or in Scotland, President, Vice-President), Honorary Treasurer, and Honorary Secretary. They shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the Federation.

- 2—The names of all delegates forming the Federation Committee shall be circulated to the Townswomen's Guilds in the Federation by the eighth of January each year.
- 3—Nominations for the offices of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Secretary, shall be made in writing by the newly-elected delegates and forwarded to the Secretary of the Federation four weeks before the first meeting of the new Federation Committee. All nominees shall signify their willingness to stand.
- 4—All Townswomen's Guilds in the Federation shall be informed, at least two weeks before the annual meeting of the Federation, of the names of candidates who are willing to stand for offices of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Secretary.

#### VI.—NATIONAL UNION REPRESENTATIVE

A member of the Executive Committee of the National Union, or some other person appointed by it, shall be attached to each Federation to act as a link between the Townswomen's Guilds in the area and the National Union. This representative shall be an ex-officio member of the Federation Committee, unless she is already a Townswomen's Guild delegate. A staff organiser may attend any meetings of a Federation Committee.

#### VII.—MEETINGS

- 1—The first Federation meeting after the Annual Council Meeting of the National Union shall be the annual general meeting, when the annual report together with the duly audited accounts shall be presented, and a ballot held for the election of officers; the agenda shall be forwarded to the Townswomen's Guilds in sufficient time for each Townswomen's Guild to consider it at its monthly meeting.
- 2—The Committee shall meet at least four times a year, unless otherwise agreed between the National Union and the Federation, and may be specially called at the discretion of the Chairman. A report of each meeting of the Committee shall be sent to the National Union.
- 3—Any Townswomen's Guild within the Federation may send a resolution to be included in the agenda.
- 4—A special meeting of the Federation Committee may be called at the written request of three-quarters of the Townswomen's Guilds in the Federation. At least one month's notice shall be given of this meeting.

VIII.—SUB-COMMITTEES

The Committee shall have power to appoint sub-committees which shall retire at the annual meeting. The Committee shall draw up the terms of reference and standing orders of the sub-committees, which may have power to co-opt.

IX.—FINANCE

- 1—The Federation fee payable by each Townswomen's Guild out of its funds shall be decided by the vote of the Townswomen's Guilds forming each Federation in accordance with the local circumstances and needs and shall be due on the first of March each year.
- 2—The Townswomen's Guilds forming the Federation shall have power to vote additional sums of money from Townswomen's Guild funds for general Federation expenditure.
- 3—The Federation Committee shall have power to raise funds, solicit and obtain grants, donations, and subscriptions.
- 4—The Federation Committee shall open a banking account and shall authorise members of the Committee to sign cheques. Each cheque shall be signed by the Treasurer and one of the two other members authorised to sign.
- 5—The funds of the Federation shall be applied only for the purpose of carrying out the functions of the Federation. A Federation Committee may pay the fares of its members to Federation Committee meetings, and of representatives appointed by the Federation Committee, but no remuneration shall be given by the Federation Committee to any honorary officer or member of the Committee except repayment of out-of-pocket expenses.
- 6—The accounts of the Federation shall be audited annually, and shall be presented at the annual meeting as part of the annual report and sent together with it to all Townswomen's Guilds in the Federation, and to the National Union. The auditor, if not of professional standing, shall be someone with a knowledge of business not related to the Federation Treasurer.
- 7—No trade or business shall be carried on by or on behalf of the Federation except in accordance with Section 30 of the Finance Act, 1921.\*

\* Section 30 of the Finance Act provides in effect that exemption shall be granted from Income Tax under Schedule D in respect of the profits of a trade carried on by any organisation with objects similar to those of the Townswomen's Guild movement, if the work in connection with the trade is mainly carried on by the members, and the profits are applied solely for the purposes of the movement.

X.—DISSOLUTION

- 1—The National Union shall have power to dissolve a Federation after consultation with the Townswomen's Guilds within the Federation.
- 2—On dissolution of a Federation the funds, after payment of all outstanding liabilities, shall be sent to the National Union for equal distribution among all the Townswomen's Guilds forming that Area Federation.

XI.—ALTERATION AND ADDITION TO RULES

No alteration to these rules shall be made except at the Council Meeting of the National Union.

Signed on behalf of the .....

..... Area Federation.

..... Chairman.

..... Honorary Secretary.

..... Date.

## APPENDIX IV

### RESOLUTIONS

*Adopted at the Annual Council Meeting, March, 1934*

#### 1—THE FUNDS OF THE NATIONAL UNION

That, while recognising with gratitude the magnificent response of many Townswomen's Guilds to the special appeals made by the President in 1932 and 1933, the Townswomen's Guilds in Annual Council assembled, having full confidence in the value and growing success of the Townswomen's Guild movement, undertake to raise the money necessary for its support.

That with this end in view, the National Union at each Annual Council Meeting will approve a budget of income and expenditure for the year, which shall include a state-of the sum needed, over and above the amount due by affiliation fees and any grants available from public bodies, to make ends meet. The share of this sum for which each Townswomen's Guild is responsible shall then be calculated according to its circumstances, within two months of the Annual Council Meeting, and shall be raised by the members of that Guild as a joint effort before the end of the financial year (December 31st).

No Guild to be included in the scheme until it has been formed one year.

#### 2—CAVENDISH BENTINCK AND EDWARD WRIGHT LIBRARIES

That the Executive Committee is hereby authorised to negotiate a new Trust Deed or to vary at its discretion the provisions of the existing Trust Deed or Deeds of the Cavendish Bentinck and Edward Wright Libraries, by which the National Union shall share the future conduct and maintenance of the Libraries equally with the National Council for Equal Citizenship, and the London and National Society for Women's Service.

#### 3—PROGRAMME AND BUDGET

That the programme of forming 100 Townswomen's Guilds during 1934, 50 of them in distressed areas, be approved, together with the estimated expenditure of £2,750 for that and other work of the National Union.

#### 4—AFFILIATION FEES, 1934

That the affiliation fees for 1934 shall be calculated on the membership subscriptions received by Townswomen's Guilds during 1933, as shown in their audited accounts for the 1932-33 Guild financial year, and be due on first April, and payable on the first of April, 1934.

#### 5—RALLY

That a rally be held in 1934 on similar lines to that held at Swanwick.

#### 6—DEVELOPMENT OF HANDICRAFTS

Realising that in some Guilds it is difficult to arouse interest in handicrafts, but believing that Townswomen may have a special contribution to make in the development of crafts and that the study of handicrafts is desirable to fulfil their object, the Townswomen's Guilds in Annual Council assembled call upon the Executive Committee to explore all means of helping Townswomen's Guilds to stimulate the interest of their members and to develop this side of Guild activities.

#### 7—PEACE

That Townswomen's Guilds shall be asked to make the study of the furtherance of the cause of peace in Europe a prominent part of next year's programmes.

#### 8—UNSIGHTLY ADVERTISEMENTS

That in view of the extensive disfigurement of urban areas by unsightly advertisements, the Townswomen's Guilds in Annual Council assembled resolve to examine the position regarding such advertisements in their areas, and in particular to find out how far the appropriate local authorities are making use of their powers for the regulation and control of such advertisements under the Advertisement Regulation Acts of 1907 and 1925, and to take steps, if necessary, to draw the attention of their local authorities to the need for action.

#### 9—EMPLOYMENT OF YOUNG PERSONS

That all Townswomen's Guilds should urge on their members the need for consideration of the state of affairs which permits young people aged 14-18 during the years when mental and physical development are greatest, to work 74 hours a week, thereby preventing their attending evening classes or Boys' and Girls' clubs or having time for recreation.

#### 10—FOOD VALUES

That this Council urges Townswomen's Guilds to include in their programme a study of food values, with especial reference to the problems of ensuring an adequate supply of fresh vegetables and dairy foods in Towns.



## APPENDIX V

### A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE NATIONAL UNION OF TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILDS

Townswomen's Guilds are the natural development of the women's movement begun in the 19th century. For they aim at giving women opportunities for self-education so that they may the better equip themselves to discharge their duties as responsible citizens. It is fitting, therefore, that the National Union of Townswomen's Guilds should be the direct outcome of the National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies, the oldest and largest national organisation guiding the constitutional movement for obtaining the rights of citizenship for women, which after the granting of the partial franchise to women in 1918, became the National Union of Societies for Equal Citizenship.

It was as a result of a meeting of the Ladies' Discussion Society in 1865 in Kensington, at which the question of the enfranchisement of women was debated, that the first committee for women's suffrage was formed in 1866. Its purpose was to collect signatures for the petition which John Stuart Mill later presented to Parliament and on which the names of many famous women appeared, such as Florence Nightingale, Josephine Butler, Emily Davis, Francis Mary Buss, and Dorothea Beale.

Through many vicissitudes a national organisation grew up which in 1897 took the title of National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies, with Millicent Garrett Fawcett, who had been in the movement from its inception, as president. This linked the constitutional suffrage societies throughout Great Britain which were endeavouring to educate public opinion to recognise the justice of women being granted the responsibilities of citizenship. The struggle to redress such wrongs as a married woman not having the right to share with her husband the guardianship of their own children, or to retain wages which she herself had earned, was inevitably long drawn out while women were classed legally with lunatics and infants. Politicians do not pay very much attention to people who have not a direct share in their return to power. Women sought the vote in order that they might obtain freedom from the disabilities laid upon them because of their sex by law and custom. Until they received the status of citizens, women could not serve the community as they wished to by taking a share of the responsibility of citizenship.

Immediately the Great War broke out active propaganda for the vote ceased and the N.U.W.S.S. and a large number of its affiliated Societies offered the experience of their organisation to the country in its emergency. Thus the Scottish Women's Hospitals under Dr. Elsie Inglis, were organised by the Scottish

Suffrage Societies, and the London Suffrage Society helped the Government to deal with the flood of women, mainly inexperienced and unskilled, who volunteered their services.

When peace came, a limited number of women possessing special qualifications were granted the vote. The National Union, while continuing to work for the complete enfranchisement of women on the same terms as of men, turned its attention, under the leadership of Miss Eleanor Rathbone, to the reforms for which women had sought the vote. During the ten years that followed much was achieved, including reforms of such peculiar concern to women as equal rights of parents in the guardianship of their children, the grounds for divorce of either spouse being made the same, the legitimization of children on the subsequent marriage of their parents, the safeguarding of all interests concerned with the adoption of children, the raising of the age of marriage from 12 for girls and 14 for boys, to 16 years. The National Union, under the title of National Union of Societies for Equal Citizenship took an active share in the promotion of these and many other enactments, and these years saw women appointed as magistrates and jurors, and their entry into the legal and many other professions.

At last, in 1928, women were granted the vote on exactly the same terms as men, and at the Annual Council Meeting that year Dame Millicent Fawcett urged the National Union to go forward with the education of the new citizens. With this object in view the Townswomen's Guild movement was formally launched in March, 1929, five experimental Guilds having been successfully formed at the beginning of that year. By 1932 the movement had grown to such an extent that the National Union was reconstituted as the National Union of Guilds for Citizenship, all political activities being given up, and the education of women as citizens becoming its sole work. At the Annual Council Meeting, 1933, when there were over 150 Townswomen's Guilds within the Union, the title of National Union of Townswomen's Guilds was adopted.

## APPENDIX VI

### ACTIVITIES OF TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILDS

AS INDICATED BY AN ANALYSIS OF

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY ANNUAL REPORTS

A careful analysis has been made of the reports for 1933 of one hundred and twenty Townswomen's Guilds. They do not all give details of their programmes, but over six hundred and seventy lectures and demonstrations are recorded, divided as follows:—

CIVICS—116, including work of local councils, 23; local history, 20; League of Nations, 10; cinema, 8; education, 6; the state and child, 5.

HEALTH—71, including first-aid, 14; food and health, 7; home-nursing, 7.

HEMOCRAFT—145, including cooking, 35; cake-icing, 15; fruit-bottling, 14; sweet-making, 10; gardening, 30; bulb-growing, 9.

HANDICRAFT—230, including rug-making, 29; dress-making, 12; embroidery, 12; glove-making, 12; new things from old, 10; toys, 10; quilting, 8; paper flowers, 7; loose-covers, 6; baskets, 7; barbola, 6; design, 4; papier maché 2.

MISCELLANEOUS—102, including travel, 36; books, 10; music, 5; art, 4.

Many Guilds are finding that a talk or demonstration can deal only in a superficial manner with any subject, and that a more sustained effort is essential for profitable study. Seventy-eight classes have been organised; these include dress-making, 14; glove-making, 13; physical culture, 10; embroidery, 8; baskets and stool-seating, 7; cooking, 1; French conversation, 1.

Thirty-nine Guilds have choirs and dramatic societies.

Guilds have taken an active part in the life of their towns and in all forms of social work. Sixteen Guilds gave contributions, totalling £313 8s. 9d., to their local hospitals; and sums amounting to £99 1s. 11d. were given by fourteen Guilds to their respective unemployment funds.

The following extracts from the reports give some idea of the variety of interests and activities of the Townswomen's Guild members:—

*Thurso T.G.* suggested that a shelter should be built on the sea-front and raised half the cost.

*Linlithgow T.G.* held a discussion on "How Linlithgow can be improved." Various suggestions raised at this meeting were passed on to the Town Council and have since been acted upon.

*Dovecot and Knotty Ash T.G.* (Liverpool) called the attention of the authorities to a danger spot to child life on the East Prescott Road and this was remedied.

*Bermondsey T.G.* sent in a petition anent the clearance of household dustbins which resulted in marked improvement.

*Central Plymouth T.G.* has sent several helpers to welfare clinics and a great deal of Council of Social Service visiting has been undertaken.

*Highlands T.G.* (Leigh-on-Sea) has considered the question of District Nurses, and has obtained the co-operation of many local bodies. The members are now undertaking a canvass of the district to raise the cost of a Queen's Nurse.

*Romford T.G.* organised a soup kitchen in conjunction with the Social Service Council. Last winter over six thousand gallons of soup were served and this autumn the work has been restarted.

*Stonehaven T.G.* organised a collection of clothes and distributed them to eighty-six families of the unemployed.

*Heston T.G.* members undertook a house to house collection for twelve weeks for the Mayor's unemployment fund.

*Canning Town T.G.* members prepared and washed up the men's teas at the Lees Hall Unemployment Centre

*Worthing T.G.* members gave vegetable seeds to the unemployed.

*Shoeburyness T.G.* has a working party for Southend General Hospital. Five hundred articles have been handed in.

*Withernsea T.G.* undertook the annual egg collection in aid of Hull Infirmary and, owing to the real hard work put in by members, collected the record number of 7,384 eggs.

*Reading T.G.* members visit the Royal Berkshire Hospital four days a week to help with the library.

*Moulsecoomb T.G.* (Brighton) took £20 at their home-made cake stall at the Floral Fair in aid of the Royal Sussex County Hospital, and won the 1st prize for the best decorated stall.

*Stourport T.G.* devoted the profits of a whist drive to supplying newspapers for the local poor-law institution.

*Halesowen T.G.* raised £13 by a Christmas carol singing party for boots for poor children residing in the locality.

*Stourbridge T.G.* raised £30 by a concert to provide comforts for blind folk of the town.

*Tolworth T.G.* held a May Fayre for the benefit of the local Rescue Home for Girls, the expenses having been met, the total proceeds of £54 were forwarded to the Home.

*Hanwell, Ealing and Greenford T.G.* took part in the Hanwell Hospital Carnival procession, winning the 2nd prize in its class. Eleven members depicted the activities of the Guild in the form of tableaux on the lorry and the decorations were carried out in the National Union's colours.

*Pype Hayes T.G.* tied for first place in citizenship competition organised by the National Council of Women (Birmingham Branch) and the prize of 10/- was sent as a donation to the N.U.T.G.

*Mudford T.G.* won the cup at the Bournemouth Musical Festival for T.G. choirs. Their co-operative work, a fitted treasure cot with a baby's outfit, took first prize at the Totton Show, and won the County Shield.

*Guildford T.G.* held a ballroom dancing class, which was followed by a dance.

*Weybridge T.G.* has a gardening group, which has visited members' gardens and the R.H.S. Gardens at Wisley, and has exchanged ideas, and also plants.

*Acocks Green T.G.* has started a savings scheme.

## APPENDIX VII

### TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILDS

(AS AT 10th MARCH, 1934)

with the names and addresses of the Honorary Secretaries

#### BERKSHIRE

ABINGDON	...	Miss Godfrey, 59, Bostock Avenue, Abingdon.
READING	...	Mrs. Mackintosh, 66, Northcourt Avenue, Reading.

#### BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

BEACONSFIELD	...	Miss Hordern, Thorpe Cottage, Baring Road, Beaconsfield.
BURNHAM	...	Mrs. Lines, Cathlyn, Orchard Avenue, Burnham.
CHESHAM BOIS	...	Mrs. Ruston, 7, Elm Close, Amersham.
CIPPENHAM	...	Mrs. Parrett, Wyncote, 26, Royston Way, Burnham.
RICHINGS PARK	...	Mrs. Lee, Cavendish, Wellesley Avenue, Iver.

#### CHESHIRE

BUCKTON VALE	...	Miss M. Shepley, 4, Sydney Street, off Clarendon Street, Micklehurst, Mossley, near Manchester.
GATLEY	...	Mrs. Nuttall, 34, Styal Road, Gatley.
HALE	...	Mrs. Miller, 24, Nursery Avenue, Hale.
SALE	...	Mrs. Benton, Melrose House, Montague Road, Sale.
TIMPERLEY AND DISTRICT	...	Mrs. Watson, "Shandon," 33, Framingham Road, Brooklands.
WALLASEY	...	Mrs. Eachus ( <i>Asst. Sec.</i> ), 2, Cross Street, Wallasey.

#### DERBYSHIRE

ALLESTREE	...	Miss Keeley, The Hill, Allestree.
ALVASTON	...	Mrs. Edwards, Cartref, Shardlow Road, Alvaston.
BELPER	...	Mrs. Haynes, Manor View, The Butts, Belper.
CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH	...	Mrs. Ivinson, Woodbank, Manchester Road, Chapel-en-le- Frith, via Stockport.
DARLEY DALE	...	Mrs. Petts, Pentre, Station Road, Darley Dale, near Matlock.

#### DERBYSHIRE (continued)

DERBY SUBURBAN	...	Mrs. Reynolds, 34, Ashbourne Road, Derby.
LITTLEOVER	...	Mrs. Clark, Knoll Ridge, Crich Circle, Littleover.
LONG EATON	...	Mrs. Franklyn Wallis, 12, Breedon Street, Long Eaton.
MATLOCK	...	Mrs. Bown, Imperial Road, Matlock.
NEW MILLS	...	Mrs. Arnfield, Sunnyside, High Lea Road, New Mills, via Stockport.

#### DEVONSHIRE

BRIXHAM	...	Mrs. Perrett, 87, North View, Brixham.
DAWLISH	...	Mrs. King, M.B.E., 1, Longlands, Dawlish.
EXETER :—		
ISCA	...	Mrs. Morgan, 44, Thornton Hill, Exeter.
ST. LOYES	...	Mrs. Brady, 36, Hawthorn Road, Burnt House Lane, Exeter.
ST. THOMAS	...	Mrs. Way, 7, Lion Terrace, Alphington Road, Exeter.
WHIPTON	...	Mrs. Cocks, Kulbari, Honiton Main Road, Exeter.
NEWTON ABBOT	...	Mrs. Pope, Home Cottage, 20, Knowles Hill Road, Newton Abbot.
PLYMOUTH, CENTRAL	...	Miss Williams, 3, Berkeley Cottages, Stoke, Plymouth.
PLYMPTON	...	Miss Alcock, Merafield House, Plympton.
PRESTON (PAIGNTON)	...	Mrs. Robinson, Caldy, Clennon Park, Paignton.
TAVISTOCK	...	Miss Snow, The Poplars, Tavistock.
TOTNES	...	Mrs. Seaford, Station Cottage, Totnes.

#### DORSET

BRANKSOME PARK	...	Mrs. Owton, Chalcroft, Princess Road, Bournemouth.
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#### DURHAM

DARLINGTON :—		
DARLINGTON	...	Mrs. Willey, 41, Langholm Crescent, Darlington.
DODMIRE	...	Mrs. Johnson, 47, Milton Street, Darlington.
NORTH END	...	Mrs. Cleminson, 25, Longfield Road, Harrowgate Hill, Darlington.
WEST END	...	Mrs. Farrage, 5, Stanhope Road, Darlington.
YARM ROAD	...	Mrs. Smith, Horbury, Milton Street, Darlington.

DURHAM (continued)

- DURHAM CITY ... Mrs. Rushford,  
The Grey Tower, Durham.
- STOCKTON-ON-TEES ... Mrs. Carling,  
9, Leven Road, Norton-on-Tees.
- WEST HARTLEPOOL ... Mrs. Laidlaw,  
12, Oakley Gardens, West Hartlepool.

ESSEX

- BECONTREE ... Mrs. Dickson,  
201, Valence Wood Road, Dagenham.
- CANNING TOWN ... Mrs. Rutter,  
10, Alliance Road, Plaistow, E.13.
- CANNING TOWN ... Miss Sheldon,  
Settlement House, Cumberland Road, E.13.
- CANNING TOWN, OLD ... Miss A. Davies,  
Settlement House, Cumberland Road, E.13.
- HIGHLANDS ... Mrs. Heanley,  
"Belfairs," Belfairs Close, Leigh-on-Sea.
- ROMFORD ... Mrs. Evans,  
Redcot, Alexandra Road, Romford.
- SHOEBURYNESSESS ... Mrs. Read,  
St. Helens, Thorpedene Gardens,  
Shoeburyness.
- SOUTHEND-ON-SEA ... Miss Hancock,  
White Cottage, 6, Daines Close, Thorpe Bay.
- WESTCLIFF-ON-SEA ... Mrs. Kemp,  
58, Marine Avenue, Leigh-on-Sea.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

- WESTBURY-ON-TRYM ... Mrs. Price,  
Springfield Lodge, Eastfield, Westbury-on-  
Trym.

HAMPSHIRE

- BOURNEMOUTH :—
- BOURNEMOUTH ... Mrs. Bayley,  
(WEST CLIFF) Bradbourne Lees, 56, Surrey Road, Bourne-  
mouth.
- LANSDOWNE ... Miss A. M. Cowen,  
48, Stirling Road, Bournemouth.
- CHRISTCHURCH ... Mrs. Oakley,  
Broadlands, 1, Avenue Road, Christchurch.
- EASTLEIGH ... Mrs. Neville,  
91, Cranbury Road, Eastleigh.
- MUDEFORD ... Mrs. Wilson,  
The Sundial, Friar's Cliff, Christchurch.
- RINGWOOD ... Mrs. Harris,  
Donovan, Parsonage Barn Road, Ringwood.
- ROMSEY ... Mrs. McReath,  
52, Winchester Road, Romsey.
- SOUTHAMPTON :—
- SHIRLEY & MILLBROOK Mrs. Ricketts,  
10, Waterhouse Lane, Shirley, Southampton.
- SOUTHAMPTON ... Mrs. Edney,  
21, Archer's Road, Southampton.
- SWAYTHLING ... Mrs. Knill,  
30, Walnut Avenue, Swaythling.
- WOOLSTON ... Mrs. Gordon,  
48, Obelisk Road, Woolston, near  
Southampton.

HEREFORDSHIRE

- LEOMINSTER ... Miss M. Payne,  
Moat House, Bridge Street, Leominster.

HERTFORDSHIRE

- BARNET ... Mrs. Cheeseman,  
154, High Street, Barnet.
- BARNET VALLEY, EAST ... Mrs. Robson,  
Yosemite, Lyonsdown Avenue, New Barnet.
- BUSHEY ... Mrs. Giffard,  
105, Cassiobury Park Avenue, Watford.
- RICKMANSWORTH ... Mrs. Welch,  
St. Bonaventure, Pheasant's Way,  
Rickmansworth.

ISLE OF WIGHT

- SANDOWN ... Mrs. Moore,  
St. Christophers, Beachfield Road, Sandown.

KENT

- ASHFORD ... Mrs. Hayward,  
17, Western Avenue, Ashford.
- DOWNHAM ... Miss Jeffery,  
91, Southover, Bromley.
- HALLING ... Mrs. Robinson,  
3, Glenview, Kent Road, Halling, near  
Rochester.
- HYTHE ... Mrs. Hollyoak,  
9, Tanners Hill Gardens, Hythe.
- SANDWICH ... Mrs. Wise,  
Sackville House, Sandwich.

LANCASHIRE

- ECCLES ... Mrs. Taylor,  
47, Peel Street, Eccles.
- HORWICH ... Mrs. Tickle,  
174, Victoria Road, Horwich, Bolton.

LIVERPOOL :—

- DOVECOT ... Mrs. Philips,  
The Gables, 16, Grant Road, Knotty Ash,  
Liverpool.
- FAZAKERLEY ... Mrs. Meakin,  
27, Montrovia Crescent, Fazakerley, Liver-  
pool.
- NORRIS GREEN ... Mrs. Webb,  
1, Ranworth Place, Norris Green, West  
Derby, Liverpool.
- SPRINGWOOD ... Mrs. Thornhill,  
4, Caldwell Road, Springwood, Garston,  
Liverpool, 19.
- WEST DERBY ... Mrs. Osborne,  
AND LARKHALL 270, Queen's Drive, West Derby, Liverpool.
- ORMSKIRK ... Mrs. Glasspool,  
"Keyworth," Prescot Road, Aughton,  
Ormskirk.
- PRESTWICH *Joint Secs.* Mrs. Atkinson,  
AND DISTRICT 10, Grosvenor Avenue, Whitefield,  
Manchester,  
Mrs. Jackson,  
Inglodene, Ringley Road, Radcliffe.

LANCASHIRE (continued)

RADCLIFFE ... .. Mrs. Locke,  
Spring Bank, Whitefield, Manchester.  
URMSTON ... .. Mrs. Jenkins,  
20, Warwick Drive, Davyhulme, near  
Manchester.  
WIGAN ... .. Mrs. Browne,  
1, Inglewhite Avenue, Wigan.

LONDON

BERMONDSEY *Joint Secs.* Mrs. Barnard,  
Beech Hanger, Merstham, Surrey,  
Mrs. Brooker,  
17, Pyramont Road, Chiswick, W.4.  
BETHNAL GREEN ... Mrs. Euston,  
51, Hassard Street, Hackney Road, Bethnal  
Green, E.2.  
BLOOMSBURY ... .. Mrs. Hawgood,  
63, Judd Street, W.C.1.  
HAMPSTEAD ... .. Miss Thomas,  
172, Belsize Road, N.W.6.  
HOXTON ST. JOHN'S ... Mrs. Dalton,  
23, St. John's Road, N.1.  
HOXTON SUNSHINE ... c/o The Matron,  
MOTHERS Sun Babies' Nursery, Norris Street, N.1.  
KENSINGTON, NORTH ... Mrs. Cameron Morris,  
207, Gloucester Terrace, London, W.2.  
OLD FORD (THE ISLAND)... Mrs. Cook,  
c/o Mrs. Jensen, Pilgrim House, Dace Road,  
Old Ford, E.3.  
ROTHERHITHE ... .. Mrs. Dockley,  
19, Albion Street, Rotherhithe, S.E.16.  
STEPNEY ... .. Mrs. Lowenstein,  
37, Avenue Road, N.W.8.

MIDDLESEX

ASHFORD ... .. Mrs. Catcheside,  
39, Chaucer Road, Ashford.  
BURNT OAK ... .. Mrs. Hathaway,  
10, Orange Hill Road, Burnt Oak, Edgware.  
CHISWICK ... .. Mrs. Wheat,  
51, Wilmington Avenue, Chiswick, London,  
W.4.  
COLINDALE ... .. Mrs. Treeby,  
76, Colin Crescent, Colindale, London,  
N.W.9.  
CRANFORD ... .. Mrs. Thomas,  
116, Chatsworth Crescent, Hounslow.  
EDGWARE ... .. Mrs. Arridge,  
6, Elmer Gardens, Edgware.  
FINCHLEY ... .. Mrs. Yeo,  
29, Wentworth Avenue, London, N.3.  
HANWELL, EALING AND ... Mrs. Mathieson-Smith,  
GREENFORD 98, Cowper Road, Hanwell, London, W.7.  
HARROW ... .. Mrs. Higgs,  
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MIDDLESEX (continued)

HENDON ... .. Mrs. Andrew,  
96a, Sunningfields Road, London, N.W.4.  
HESTON ... .. Mrs. Hoyle,  
2, Meadow Waye, Heston.  
HOUNSLOW ... .. Mrs. Robinson,  
Hurst Lodge, Wellington Road South,  
Hounslow.  
MILL HILL ... .. Mrs. Lesty,  
15, Sunnysdale Gardens, London, N.W.7.  
PINNER ... .. Miss Turner,  
Knoll School, Pinner.  
SOUTHALL ... .. Mrs. Westcombe,  
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NORTHUMBERLAND

BERWICK-UPON-TWEED ... Miss Lyall,  
Aldersyde House, Spittal, Berwick-upon-  
Tweed.  
BLYTH ... .. Mrs. Hamm,  
46, Rosemary Terrace, Blyth.  
HEXHAM ... .. Mrs. Robson,  
Laburnum Cottage, Hexham.

OXFORDSHIRE

BANBURY ... .. Miss Hankinson,  
West View, Banbury.  
COWLEY, CENTRAL ... Mrs. Biggers,  
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HENLEY-ON-THAMES ... Miss Luker,  
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OXFORD :—  
BULLINGDON AND ... Mrs. Coppock,  
DISTRICT 45, Dene Road, Headington, Oxford.  
OXFORD, SOUTH ... Mrs. Wilson,  
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SHROPSHIRE

LUDLOW ... .. Mrs. Beeson,  
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OAKENGATES ... .. Mrs. Payne,  
60, Ketley Bank, Oakengates.  
WELLINGTON ... .. Mrs. Male,  
Westwood, Wellington.

STAFFORDSHIRE

TAMWORTH ... .. Mrs. Peel,  
102, Wigginton Road, Tamworth.  
WOLVERHAMPTON :—  
BUSHBURY ... .. Mrs. Law,  
74, Low Hill Crescent, Bushbury,  
Wolverhampton.  
PENN FIELDS ... .. Miss Barratt,  
Newhaven, King's Road, Sedgley, Dudley.

SURREY

ASHTEAD	...	...	Mrs. Gardner, Mansard Cottage, West Farm Avenue, Ashtead.
DORKING	...	...	Miss Pollard, The Brambles, Cliftonville, Dorking.
GUILDFORD	...	...	Mrs. Fulk, Ardlui, Avonmore Avenue, Guildford.
LEATHERHEAD	...	...	Mrs. Meredith, Old Lane House, Tyrrells Wood, Leatherhead.
NEW MALDEN	...	...	Mrs. Edmonds, 7, Cambridge Avenue, New Malden.
RAYNES PARK	...	...	Mrs. Curran, 41, Lambton Road, Wimbledon, London, S.W.20.
RICHMOND	...	...	Mrs. Howard, 6, Temple Road, Richmond.
ST. HELIER (MORDEN)	...	...	Mrs. Eastman, 43, Middleton Road, St. Helier Estate, Morden.
TOLWORTH	...	...	Mrs. Wraight, The Bank House, 2, Ditton Road, Surbiton.
WALTON-ON-THAMES	...	...	Miss F. M. Shelbourne, Wilton Lodge, Ryden's Road, Walton-on- Thames.
WEYBRIDGE	...	...	Miss Favell, Fairwood, Pine Grove, Weybridge.
WOKING	...	...	Mrs. Farley, The Haven, 195, Goldsworth Road, Woking.

SUSSEX

CHICHESTER	...	...	Mrs. Jeffries, 67, Lyndhurst Road, Chichester.
EAST GRINSTEAD	...	...	Miss Ozanne, Sherbourne, Lingfield Road, East Grinstead.
HASSOCKS	...	...	Miss Plowright, Holly Villa, Lodge Lane, Keymer, Hassocks.
HAYWARDS HEATH	...	...	Mrs. Wilson, "Arnolds," Church Road, Haywards Heath.
HORSHAM	...	...	Mrs. Bonwick, Oakhill House, Horsham.
HOVE	...	...	Mrs. Davey, 57, St. Leonards Gardens, Hove.
KEMPTOWN	...	...	Miss Peck, 6, Evelyn Terrace, Brighton.
MOULSECOOMB	...	...	Mrs. Kitchen, 176, Balfour Road, Brighton.
NEWHAVEN	...	...	Mrs. Funnell, Roseleigh, Hill Crest Road, Newhaven.
PRESTON (BRIGHTON)	...	...	Mrs. Treacher, Lucastes, St. Keyna Avenue, Hove.
WORTHING	...	...	Mrs. Thurmott, 26, Madeira Avenue, Worthing.

WARWICKSHIRE

BIRMINGHAM :—

THE COLMERS	...	...	Mrs. Williams, 27, Cliff Rock Road, Rednal, B'ham.
HALL GREEN	...	...	Mrs. Poole, 1363, Stratford Road, Hall Green, Birming- ham.
KINGSTANDING AND PERRY COMMON	...	...	Mrs. Evans, 70, Harringay Road, Kingstanding, Erdington, Birmingham.
PYPE HAYES	...	...	Mrs. Green, 958, Chester Road, Erdington, B'ham.
KENILWORTH	...	...	Miss M. Field, Parkfield, Park Hill, Kenilworth.
NUNEATON	...	...	Mrs. Bambury, Hopeline, Gipsy Lane, Nuneaton.
RUGBY	...	...	Mrs. Fairfield, Cintra, 18, Slade Road, Rugby.
WYKEN	...	...	Mrs. Sidwell, 22, Sommerville Road, Wyken, Coventry.

WORCESTERSHIRE

ACOCKS GREEN	...	...	Mrs. Edwards, 54, Oxford Road, Acocks Green.
DUDLEY	...	...	Miss Tilley, One Hundred, Dixons Green, Dudley.
HALESOWEN	...	...	Mrs. Lea, Hilbre, Hayley Green, Halesowen.
PENSNETT	...	...	Mrs. Higgs, The Poplars, Pensnett, near Dudley.
STOURBRIDGE	...	...	Mrs. Mobberley, Hawbush House, Stourbridge.
STOURPORT	...	...	Mrs. McLaughlan, Kingston House, Areley Kings, Stourport.

YORKSHIRE

HORNSEA	...	...	Mrs. Hatfield, 8, Alexandra Road, Hornsea.
HULL :—			
NORTH HULL	...	...	Mrs. Kenny, 72, Langtoft Grove, North Hull.
SOUTHCOATES	...	...	Mrs. Sumner, 47, Pembroke Grove, Southcoates, Hull, E.
SOUTH WEST HULL	...	...	Mrs. Osborne, Darjeeling, 1083, Hessle High Road, Hull.
MIDDLESBROUGH	...	...	Mrs. Bird, 21, Mayfair Avenue, Grove Hill, Middlesbrough.
THORNABY CENTRAL	...	...	Mrs. Barker, 17, Cambridge Road, Thornaby-on-Tees.
THORNABY, OLD	...	...	Mrs. Green, 43, Grange Road, Thornaby-on-Tees.
WITHERNSEA	...	...	Mrs. Fouracre, Withernsea, East Yorks.

## SCOTTISH GUILDS

ABERDEENSHIRE ...		
FRASERBURGH ...	Mrs. Burnett,	2, Gratton Place, Fraserburgh.
PETERHEAD ...	Mrs. Murray Mackie,	Tanfield House, Peterhead.
TURRIFF ...	Miss M. Cumming,	11, Castle Street, Turriff.
ARGYLLSHIRE ...		
OBAN ...	Miss Lends,	Ardenlee, Oban.
BANFFSHIRE ...		
BANFF	<i>Joint Secs.</i> Miss Adam,	42, Carmelite Street, Banff.
	Miss B. Grant,	The Bungalow, Seafield Street, Banff.
BUCKIE ...	Miss E. Lyall,	40, High Street, Buckie.
CULLEN ...	Mrs. Simpson,	Royal Oak Hotel, Cullen.
MACDUFF	<i>Joint Secs.</i> Miss B. Guald,	Duff Street, Macduff.
	Mrs. Slater,	22, High Shore, Macduff.
BERWICKSHIRE ...		
EYEMOUTH ...	Mrs. Scott,	Fernbank, Eyemouth.
CAITHNESS ...		
THURSO ...	Mrs. Begg,	13, High Street, Thurso.
WICK ...	Miss Mowat,	Bucholie, George Street, Wick.
DUMBARTON ...		
KIRKINTILLOCH ...	Miss Anderson,	Auld Aisle, Kirkintilloch, Glasgow
KINCARDINESHIRE ...		
LAURENCEKIRK ...	Miss Adamson,	Kinnear Square, Laurencekirk.
STONEHAVEN ...	Mrs. Fairlie,	14, Fetteresso Terrace, Stonehaven.
LANARKSHIRE ...		
GLASGOW :—		
DRUMCHAPEL ...	Mrs. Turner,	Margretta, Drumchapel, near Glasgow.
KING'S PARK ...	Mrs. Thomson,	54, Kingsbridge Drive, King's Park, Glas- gow, S.4.
KNIGHTSWOOD ...	Mrs. Scott,	51, Priory Road, Knightswood, Glasgow, W.3.

## EAST LoTHIAN

NORTH BERWICK ...	Mrs. Lawson,	Kingstone Lodge, North Berwick.
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## WEST LoTHIAN

BATHGATE ...	Miss J. W. Scoon,	Post Office House, Bathgate.
BO'NESS ...	Miss J. Cunningham,	Bonnytown Terrace, Bo'ness.
LINLITHGOW ...	Miss M. Gifford,	Maryville, Linlithgow.

## PERTHSHIRE

CRIEFF ...	Mrs. Chalmers,	Cyprus, Crieff.
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## ROXBURGHSHIRE

HAWICK ...	Mrs. Marjoribanks,	77, Weensland Road, Hawick.
KELSO ...	Mrs. Murray,	3, Hillbank Terrace, Kelso.
MELROSE ...	Mrs. Wood,	12, High Street, Melrose.

## STIRLINGSHIRE

BANNOCKBURN ...	Mrs. Morrison,	Viewvale, Bannockburn.
BRIDGE OF ALLAN ...	Mrs. McArthur,	Williamfield, Bridge of Allan.
GRANGEMOUTH ...	Mrs. Kirk,	103, Bo'ness Road, Grangemouth.
LARBERT AND STENHOUSEMUIR ...	Mrs. Smith,	Innervar, Church Street, Stenhousemuir, Larbert.
PLEAN ...	Miss Rodger,	Blackcraig, Plean.
POLMONT ...	Miss K. Marshall,	Aldersyde, Polmont, Falkirk.

## WELSH GUILDS

### BRECKNOCKSHIRE

BRYNMAWR ...	Mrs. Watkins,	6, Warwick Road, Brynmawr.
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### MONMOUTHSHIRE

LLANHILLETH AND ABERBEEG ...	Mrs. Scanlon,	Brynawgl, Aberbeeg.
NANTYGLO ...	Mrs. Shuker,	14, Chapel Road, Nantyglo.
RHYMNEY ...	Miss D. Jones,	52, Garden City, Rhymney.

## APPENDIX VIII

### AREA FEDERATIONS OF TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILDS

BERKSHIRE AND OXFORDSHIRE	...	Mrs. Biggers, 7, St. Omer Road, Cowley, Oxford.
BIRMINGHAM AREA	...	Mrs. Allan, 714, Shirley Road, Hall Green, B'ham.
CENTRAL LONDON	...	Mrs. Irving, 22, Ridgemount Gardens, London, W.C.1.
DERBYSHIRE	...	Mrs. Wells, Charnwood, Chaddesdon Park Road, Derby.
DEVONSHIRE	...	Mrs. Pope, 20, Knowles Hill Road, Newton Abbot, S. Devon.
ESSEX	...	Mrs. King, 3, Highview Gardens, Upminster, Essex.
HAMPSHIRE	...	Mrs. Crouch, 14, Meon Road, Bournemouth, Hants.
LIVERPOOL AREA	...	Miss Todd, 55, Canning Street, Liverpool.
MANCHESTER AREA	...	Mrs. F. B. Taylor, Wensley, Derbyshire Road, Sale, Cheshire.
MID-SCOTLAND	...	Mrs. Chalmers, Cyprus, Crieff, Perthshire.
NORTH-EASTERN ENGLAND	...	Mrs. Watson, The Craft Shop, Upper Church Street, West Hartlepool, Co. Durham.
NORTH LONDON	...	Mrs. Welch, St. Bonaventure, Pheasant's Way, Rickmans- worth, Herts.
NORTH SCOTLAND	...	Mrs. Dugald Macdonald, Bank House, Saltoun Square, Fraserburgh, Aberdeenshire.
SOUTH BUCKS AND DISTRICT	...	Mrs. Owen, Kilwinning, Bower Way, Cippenham, Slough, Bucks.
SURREY	...	Mrs. Briscoe, Grove Lodge, Old Avenue, Weybridge, Surrey.
SUSSEX	...	Miss Dyer, Newick Lodge, near Lewes, Sussex.
THAMES VALLEY	...	Mrs. Cooper, 37, Parkland Grove, Ashford, Middlesex.
WEST MIDDLESEX	...	Mrs. Geer, 59, The Grove, Isleworth, Middlesex.
WEST MIDLAND	...	Mrs. Mobberley, Hawbush House, Stourbridge, Worcs.

## APPENDIX IX

### ASSOCIATE SOCIETIES, 1933

ABERTILLERY W.C.A.	...	Mrs. Lewis, School House, Aberbeeg, Mon.
CHINGFORD W.C.A.	...	Mrs. Cressey, 29, Mayfield Road, E.4.
CROYDON W.C.A. AND N.C.W.	...	Mrs. Kettle, 30, Courtland Avenue, Norbury, S.W.16.
EBBW VALE W.C.A.	...	Miss E. L. James, 1, The Walk, Ebbw Vale, Mon.
KENSINGTON W.C.A.	...	Mrs. John Stenson, 47, Edwards Square, W.8.
LEEDS S.C.E.C.	...	Miss G. Wilson, 5, Spring Road, Headingley, Leeds 6.
MALVERN S.E.C.	...	Mrs. Freeman, Wyche Cliff, Wyche Road, Malvern.
SUTTON AND DISTRICT W.L.G. AND C.A.	...	Miss F. A. Scott, Carisbrook, Rose Hill Park West, Sutton.

## APPENDIX X

### N.U.T.G. STAFF ORGANISERS

MISS L. ALLEN	...	resident in Liverpool
MISS L. B. ASHER	...	„ „ Sussex.
MISS M. BURY	...	„ „ Scotland.
MISS K. DERRY	...	„ „ Durham.
MRS. FITZRANDOLPH	...	„ „ Oxford.
MRS. GREY	...	„ „ London.
MISS B. MASON	...	„ „ Kent.
MISS A. E. MCKOWAN	...	„ „ York.
MISS N. WARD-PEARSON	...	„ „ Herefordshire.
MISS M. M. WILLIAMS	...	„ „ Worcester.



## APPENDIX XI

### NATIONAL UNION OF TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILDS PUBLICATIONS AND STATIONERY FOR SALE

		*Discount Rates (per dozen— Cash with order)	
N.U.T.G. PUBLICATIONS, ETC. :—			
<i>The Townswoman</i> ... ..	2d. monthly, 3 or more copies post free, or yearly subscription 2/6.		
Annual Report, 1933 ... ..	4d.		
T.G. Handbook ... ..	6d.	5/-, postage	6d.
<i>Constitution and Rules :—</i>			
N.U.T.G., T.G. and Federations ...	1½d.		
Townswomen's Guilds singly ...	1d.		
Area Federations singly ... ..	1d.		
T.G. Badge ... ..	1/-	10/-, postage	2d.
Membership Cards ... ..	No charge		
T.G. Pocket Diary for 1935 ... ..	1/-		
History of N.U.T.G. ... ..	½d.	4d., postage	1d.
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On Embroidery, by E. Hamilton Smith ... ..	2d.	1/8, postage	3d.
<i>Leaflets for free distribution :—</i>			
Objects and Methods of Townswomen's Guilds			
Five Reasons why you should join a Townswomen's Guild			
Townswomen's Guild Movement (descriptive leaflet)			
OTHER PUBLICATIONS :—			
Chairman's Handbook, by Mildred Ransom (George Routledge & Sons, Ltd.) ... ..	1/-		
Social Half Hour (N.F.W.I.) ... ..	6d.		
Exhibition Hand-book (N.F.W.I.) ...	4d.		
Debates (W. Sussex C.F.W.I.) ... ..	3d.		
The Activities of Local Government, by Dorothy Charques ... ..	1d.	9d., postage	1d.
STATIONERY			
Headed T.G. notepaper ... ..	1/6	16/-, postage	2/-
Pad of 100 sheets			
Ditto, interleaved, with two carbons	2/3	24/-, postage	2/3
Plain notepaper to match above			
Pad of 100 sheets ... ..	9d.		
Postcards for calling meetings—per 100 ... ..	1/3	5/3 per 500, postage	1/-
Posters, printed, per dozen ... ..	10d.	5/9 per 100, postage	6d.
Posters with badge only, large size—per dozen ... ..	9d.	5/- per 100, postage	6d.
Poster ditto, small size—per dozen	8d.	4/3 per 100, postage	6d.

\*These rates are given only if cash is sent with order and for quantities of one or more complete dozens or hundreds. Postage other than that specified will be charged according to quantities ordered.

## APPENDIX XII

### RECOVERY OF INCOME TAX ON ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

The National Union of Townswomen's Guilds is recognised as a charitable body under the Elizabethan Acts, as its object is educational.

Charitable bodies are granted the privilege of recovery from the Commissioners of Inland Revenue of the income tax paid by subscribers on their subscriptions or donations, provided they have undertaken to continue such payments to the society annually for seven years.

With income tax at its present high level, this would be a very great concession to the National Union. A subscriber of £5 would, in effect, be giving the sum of £6 13s. 4d. Three subscribers of £1 under the scheme would be giving an amount equal to that given by four subscribers of £1 who are not under the scheme.

Any change in the rate of income tax will make no difference to the amount the subscriber has to pay. The death of the guarantor before the expiration of the seven years cancels the contract.

A Form of Agreement which the subscriber has to sign promising to pay a certain sum annually for seven years is attached. All that the subscriber has to do is to sign this agreement in the presence of a witness, post it to the Treasurer of the National Union and sign a form which will be sent by the Treasurer each year to certify that income tax has been or will be paid on the subscription. Cheques dated prior to the date of signing the agreement do not count as falling within the agreement; they must be of the same date or of a later date than the agreement.

Exemption of surtax on the gross amount paid under this scheme can be claimed by subscribers. A receipt for the amount paid must accompany the claim.

The Executive Committee very much hope that all subscribers, whether of small or large sums, will consider helping us in this way, for the benefit to the National Union would be great, whilst it would incur no further expense or liability upon the subscriber.

AGREEMENT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE NATIONAL UNION OF  
TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILDS

I, .....  
of .....

HEREBY COVENANT with the Committee of the National Union of  
Townswomen's Guilds, that for a period of seven years from the 6th April,  
19 , or during my life, whichever period shall be the shorter, I will  
pay annually to the said N.U.T.G. such a sum as will, after the deduction  
of Income Tax, leave in the hands of the National Union a net sum of

£..... (.....)  
words

such sum to be paid from my general fund of taxed income so that I shall  
receive no personal or private benefit in either of the said periods from  
the said sum or any part thereof.

IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this.....

day of .....19 .

.....  
Usual Signature

Signed, sealed and delivered by the said  
.....

In the presence of

Signature .....

Address .....

.....  
Occupation .....

When filled in this form should be sent to the Treasurer, National Union  
of Townswomen's Guilds, 4, Great Smith Street, Westminster, S.W.1.



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