AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
OF
UNIVERSITY WOMEN

JOHNSTOWN BRANCH

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THE CONSTITUTION OF THE JOHNTOWN BRANCH
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ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Johnstown Branch of the American Association of University Women.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Branch shall be to work on the educational problems of the community and to co-operate with the American Association of University Women in its general work.

ARTICLE III

CONSTITUTION

The Constitution of the Branch shall be the Constitution of the American Association of University Women.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION A. Members shall be of two kinds: National and Associate.

SECTION B. Any alumna eligible to membership in the National Association must become a national member of the Branch upon the payment of five dollars-fifty cents annually.

SECTION C. By a vote of this organization associate membership is open to:

1. By a vote of this organization, women who have completed at least two full years of academic work in any college or university on the accredited list of the National Association or at least three full years of academic work in any college or university on the accredited list of the Committee on Recognition of the Colleges of the Middle States and Maryland or any similar Committee of which work would be accepted as leading to an
A.B. degree may be eligible to associate membership in this association.

2. Women not registered as undergraduates who have completed two full years of academic work as regularly matriculated students in any college or university which has fulfilled all the requirements of the association. §The Johnstown Branch may accept as Associate Members those who have had two or more years at a college.

SECTION D. The fee for local membership shall be three dollars-fifty cents. (See data on resignation in National "By Laws") Sec. 1 (blue).

ARTICLE II - OFFICERS

SECTION A. The officers of the Branch shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.

ARTICLE III - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION A. The president shall preside at all meetings and perform all other duties proper to her office.

SECTION B. The vice-president shall preside at meetings in the absence of the president and shall be the chairman of the membership committee.

SECTION C. The secretary shall keep a proper record of all meetings of the Branch, shall keep an accurate record of the names and addresses and degrees of all members, and shall notify the executive secretary of address, resignations, and new membership. She shall make an annual report of the work of the Branch to the executive secretary of the National association.

SECTION D. The treasurer shall receive all money due to the Branch, shall pay all bills when properly verified by the person incurring the indebtedness and by the President of the Branch, shall keep a proper set of books, and shall render an account annually to the Branch.

She shall submit to National Headquarters at the beginning of each fiscal year, or as soon thereafter as possible, membership dues of two dollars for each national member, with the correct address.
SECTION B. The chairman of the membership committee shall endeavor to find the name of every college woman in the community, shall invite her to membership and shall do all in her power to increase the influence and membership of the Branch. She shall make an annual report of her work to the executive secretary of the National Association.

ARTICLE IV - ELECTIONS

SECTION A. Elections shall be held annually at the regular meeting in the spring.

SECTION B. At the first regular meeting after the adoption of the by-laws, the president and secretary shall be elected to hold office until the election in 1934 (and the vice-president and treasurer shall be elected to hold office until the election in 1935). Thereafter the officers shall be elected regularly to hold office for two years. In case of death or resignation of an officer, see Nominating Committee amendment in blue constitution.

ARTICLE V - THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION A. The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers and three members at large, elected annually by the Branch. (Nothing about past president). It shall meet upon the call of the president or at any time upon the written request of five members of the Branch.

ARTICLE VI - THE QUORUM

SECTION A. The quorum for a meeting of the Board of Directors shall be four; the quorum for a meeting of the Branch shall be one-fifth of the members in good standing.

ARTICLE VII - AMENDMENTS

SECTION A. These by-laws may be amended by a three-fourths vote at any regular meeting, provided due notice shall be given of the proposed amendment at the previous regular meeting, or in writing to every member at least two weeks before the meeting at which the amendments are to be acted upon.

ARTICLE VIII - SCHOLARSHIP FUND

SECTION I. This Club shall maintain a scholarship fund, the purpose of which shall be to assist young women to obtain a college education in institutions which meet the approval of the committee making the awards.
SECTION II. Rules governing the Loan Scholarship Fund.

A. To whom loaned:
   1. Money to be loaned only to young women.
   2. Juniors and Seniors in college in all cases are to be given first consideration; money may be loaned to Freshmen and Sophomores when the applicant meets the requirements set by the committee.

B. Awarding of Loans:
   1. Revision: The committee controlling funds to consist of three members, one of whom is a teacher at the Johnstown High School.
   2. To be appointed by the executive committee of the association.
      a. Each member to serve for six years.
      b. One member appointed by executive board every second year.
      c. The chairman of committee being one holding seniority in office.
   3. The money shall be loaned to applicants on the basis of:
      a. Scholarship.
      b. Need.
      c. Health.
      d. Character.
   4. Applications for loans must be made on the printed forms, one month before the money is needed.

C. Amounts to be loaned to applicants:
   1. Loans not to exceed $200.00 annually to each beneficiary, except by a special recommendation from the Club.
   2. A first loan is defined as all money loaned during the first year that the applicant receives money from any scholarship fund.
   3. A second loan: all money loaned during the second year; a third loan—during the third year; and a fourth loan—during the fourth year.

D. Business Arrangements:
   1. A first loan shall be payable within two years after leaving college.
2. A second loan shall be payable within three years after leaving college.
3. A third loan shall be payable within four years after leaving college.
4. A fourth loan shall be payable within five years after leaving college.

If not paid within these periods, the loans shall then bear interest at 6½ annually.
The above information is based on the by-laws of the Association. It is the duty of the Board of Directors to interpret these by-laws and to make special rulings to cover doubtful points. Below are listed several of these special rulings which are of widespread application of interest:

Non-eligible members of existing college clubs which become branches of the A. A. U. W. may be admitted at the time of the affiliation as associate members, with the understanding that no such ineligible members shall be admitted after these college clubs become branches of the Association.

Women holding approved degrees from institutions later affiliated with institutions on our lists are eligible on the same terms as graduates of the approved institutions.

Women holding degrees from institutions which are no longer in existence and were approved by the A. A. U. W. during their existence are not eligible.

Eligibility is retroactive; when a college or university is added to the approved list, all alumnae holding approved degrees are eligible regardless of the date on which the degree was conferred.

Two years' work taken at several summer sessions of an institution on List I qualifies for associate membership, provided all work is taken at one institution.

Women who have attended an institution on List III but have not taken a degree are not eligible to associate membership.

Women who have taken a higher degree at an institution on List III are eligible to associate but not national membership.

Women who have completed at least two years' academic work at a foreign university on the approved list of the International Federation of University Women are eligible to associate membership.

Eligibility can not be based on credit given by an approved institution for work done at an institution not approved by this Association.

Women holding approved degrees from institutions which have been placed upon the approved list for a probationary period (indicated in the printed list by a star) may, during that period, become national members and retain that membership always; but should the institution fail to remain on the approved list, its alumnae will not in future be accepted as members.

Women who graduate from approved colleges before they conferred degrees are not eligible to national or associate membership.
Women who have received honorary degrees from institutions on List I or II are eligible to national membership; from List III to associate membership.

New membership rulings are never applied to individuals who become members before such rulings are passed.
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MINUTES OF MEETINGS
OF
JOHNSTOWN BRANCH

ORGANIZED 1923
September 25, 1948

The September meeting of the Johnstown Branch of A. A. U. W. was held at Northfork Country Club on September 25th, 1948.

Preceding the regular meeting, a delicious Buffet Luncheon was served. Miss Elvina Owen, chairman of hospitality, had arranged a beautiful centerpiece for the table, and this was given as a door prize.

The regular meeting was called to order by the new president, Mrs. Bowes, who welcomed members present. Miss Lockard gave the Treasurer's report, and minutes of the May Meeting were approved as read by the secretary.

Miss Lockard presented the problem of the $2000 loan balance, the entire amount still deposited on checking account and bearing the interest. After discussion, a motion was made and seconded that a committee of three be appointed to invest $1000 of the total account. Miss Lockard was appointed chairman, with Mrs. Barnhart and Mrs. Custer members of her committee.

A motion was made and seconded that a gift of $25 from Mrs. Rogers be accepted with thanks.

It was also moved and seconded that mimeographed copies of items on the A. A. U. W. Legislative Program for 1947-49 be mailed to members of Johnstown Branch, to determine their choice of a legislative program for 1948-51.

After introduction of new members, the meeting was turned over to Mrs. Trexler and Miss Stenger, who gave most interesting accounts of their travels thru the Canadian Rockies and the Far West.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Potter
Secretary.
The regular meeting of Johnstown Branch of A. W. U. W. was held at the home of Mrs. W. C. Keffer on October 25th, 1948, and was a lively Halloween Party.

A short business meeting was opened by the President. Minutes of the September meeting were approved as read.

Mrs. Bowes asked for the report of the committee appointed to invest $1500 of the Loan Fund. Mrs. Custer reported that the two most promising bonds were Postal Savings and Building and Loan, each bearing 2½% interest. After discussion of the comparative merits of the bonds, Mrs. Keffer moved that the committee buy the Friendly City Bldg. & Loan Bond. Miss Belden seconded the motion.

Mrs. Bowes asked the desire of members concerning a request for contribution by the Community Chest. Discussion brought the fact that Johnstown Branch is financially unable to subscribe individually. Miss Evans moved that our policy should be take no group action in subscribing to community projects. Miss Stenger seconded the motion.

The meeting was turned over to the program chairman, Mrs. Grove, who had prepared a most enjoyable program. The first part of the entertainment featured a literary guessing game, and was followed by a mock radio quiz program.

After delicious refreshments provided for by Miss Evans and her committee, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Potter
Secretary.
November 23, 1948

The Regular Meeting of Johnstown Branch of A. A. U. W. was held at the home of Mrs. Charles Schultz on November 29, 1948, the 25th anniversary of the organization.

The President called the meeting to order and a short business meeting preceded the program of the evening. Minutes of the October meeting were read by the secretary and approved. Mrs. Bowes announced that the January meeting would be in Pittsburgh, accepting the invitation of the Pittsburgh Branch to meet the National Chairman, Dr. Hettel, at a tea to be held January 8th.

Mr. Custer moved that the minutes of last year be bound to secure the safety of our Branch records. The motion included necessary expenditure, and was carried.

Miss Creer made a motion authorizing Miss Lockard to purchase a suitable container for her records and funds, and this motion was seconded.

The meeting was then turned over to Miss Heises, the program chairman, who presented the speakers of the evening.

Mrs. Boag talked of the founding of the National American Association of University Women, of past accomplishments and what might be expected of the future.

Miss Evans gave an account of the founding and early years of the Johnstown Branch.

Miss Kepple explained the purpose and results of the Scholarship fund, and Mr. Custer discussed the contribution of Johnstown Branch of A. A. U. W. to Fellowship. The program proved both informative and enjoyable.

After delicious refreshments served by Mrs. Victoria Mercer's hospitality committee, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Potter
Secretary.
The December meeting of Johnstown Branch of A. A. U. W. was held Dec. 18th, 1948, at the Fort Stanwix Hotel. Arrangements made by Mrs. Albert Doyle and her committee resulted in a very appetizing luncheon. There was no business meeting.

The Spanish II Classes of Miss Ruth Hetrick provided very good entertainment, giving the audience "A peep into customs of the Spanish American countries. There were readings in Spanish, and Christmas Carols were sung in Spanish. A Spanish dance was featured. The students told of Christmas traditions in Spain, Mexico, and Cuba. One class member gave a clever exhibition of sketching Spanish characters.

Mrs. Bowes expressed appreciation to Miss Hetrick and the performers, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Potter
Secretary.
February 23, 1943

The regular meeting of Johnstown Branch of A. A. U. W. was held February 23th, 1943, at the home of Mrs. Ruth Mercer.

The meeting was opened by the President who reported on the joint meeting of Pennsylvania Branches held in Pittsburgh on January 6th at a tea given by the Pittsburgh Branch.

Mrs. Bowes told of her experience in the receiving line and of Dr. Hettel's account of the excellent work of A. A. U. W. in aiding displaced University women in Europe.

Since there was no urgent business, Mrs. Bowes then turned the meeting over to the program chairman, Miss Mellingher, who introduced the speaker, Mr. James Stoughton of The Mountain Playhouse and Green Gables.

Mr. Stoughton talked on behalf of Modern Art, and in his humorous fashion, succeeded in convincing his audience that with a tolerant viewpoint, Modern Art could be understood and enjoyed.

After delicious refreshments provided by Mrs. Donald Matthew and her committee, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Potter
Secretary.
March 23, 1949

The regular meeting of Johnstown Branch of A. A. U. W. was held March 23th, 1949, at the home of Mrs. Stephens Mayer.

The meeting was opened by the President who told of the National Convention to be held in Seattle the latter part of June.

Minutes of previous meetings (November, December, February) were approved as read by the secretary.

Mrs. Bowes announced that it would not be possible to hold the May meeting at the Ridge as scheduled. Miss Marguerite Hinchman moved that the generous invitation of Mrs. Stephens Mayer to hold the May meeting at her farm in Ebensburg, be accepted. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Bowes asked the Recent Graduate Group to consider carefully its preference for next year's programs and announced that this group would be represented on the program committee.

Two new members, Mrs. Wold and Miss Auchenbaugh were introduced by Mrs. Custer.

The meeting was then turned over to Miss Ruth James, who conducted a lively auction sale of articles contributed by members.

In addition to providing great fun for all present, the auction netted over $70, this fund to be used for a paid speaker for next season's programs.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Potter

Secretary.
April 25, 1949

The Regular Meeting of Johnstown Branch of A. A. U. W. was held April 25th, 1949 in the Sanitary Dairy Auditorium.

In the absence of the President, Mrs. Donald Glass, Vice President, presided.

Minutes of the March meeting were read by the secretary and approved. Mrs. Glass then turned the meeting over to Miss Bolden, the program chairman and director of the one act play to be presented.

Miss Bolden made a short curtain speech, telling something of the difficulties in providing stage properties, which proved to be entirely convincing.

The Play, "The Purple Door Knob," was both charming and amusing, and very well acted by Mrs. Anne Schnure who played the part of the invalid! Miss Terry Kist, the actress who conveted the Invalid's Purple Door Knob; and Mrs. Jane Odell, the maid of all the work.

Mrs. Herbert Davies and her committee served refreshments to the large group present, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Potter.

Secretary.
May 21, 1949

The Final Meeting of the 1948-1949 Season of Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. was a desert luncheon held May 21st at the Ebensburg Summer Home of Mrs. Stephens Mayer.

Following the desert luncheon, a business meeting was conducted by the President. Minutes of the April meeting were approved as read by the secretary.

The treasurer's report was given by Miss Lockard.

Miss Lockard asked for discussion of the subject of outstanding dues. As a result of the discussion, a motion was made by Mrs. Morgart that notices be sent out to members that dues would be payable in October, and the motion was seconded by Mrs. Hager.

It was further decided that year books should be distributed by mail.

Mrs. Bowes then asked for the report of the nominating committee. Miss Woiles, Chairman, proposed the following names:

   Vice President--Jean Ann Custer
   Treasurer------Mary Lockard

A motion that these nominees be elected unanimously was made by Miss Anna Stenger. Mrs. A. F. Shupp seconded the motion.

Mrs. Bowes announced that the Program Chairman, Mrs. Odell, and the Publicity Chairman, Miss Kels, had requested volunteers to replace these officers.

Mrs. Vetz agreed to accept the post of Publicity Chairman. The post of Program Chairman remained open.

Business concluded, the speaker of the day, Miss Ruth Leach, was introduced by the President. Miss Leach, as always, gave a most enjoyable and valuable talk on summer reading for all tastes and distributed lists of names and authors for guides to reading.

The audience as a body urged Miss Leach to continue her yearly advice for summer reading and expressed their appreciation for her program.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Potter
Secretary
The October Meeting of Johnstown Branch of A. A. U. W. was a Halloween Party held Oct. 31st, 1949 at the home of Mrs. W. O. Keffer.

A Short Business meeting was opened by the President. Minutes of the May meeting were approved as read by the secretary. There was no business conducted at the September Luncheon Meeting at Northfork Country Club.

Mrs. Bowes gave a résumé of future programs of the 1949-50 season. A suggestion made by Mrs. Custer that no refreshments be served after Dr. Fishbein's talk on January 30th was approved by members present.

Mrs. Bowes then introduced Miss Jean Evans, talented young student of Miss Edith Paul, who gave a dramatic reading of Michael Arlen's "Phantom Footsteps." Entertainment of the evening also included games, which besides being fun, tested the imagination of the group.

After delicious refreshments served by Miss Gertrude Lake's committee, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Potter
Secretary,
November 15, 1949

The Regular Meeting of Johnstown Branch of A. A. U. W. was held Tues. November 15th, 1949, in the Sanitary Dairy Auditorium.

A brief business meeting was opened by the President, and minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read by the secretary.

Mrs. Bowes announced that Dr. Harold Fishbein would be the speaker on January 30th.

Mrs. David Boag, program chairman, introduced Miss Sara E. Bernet, President of the Pennsylvania Branches of Business and Professional Clubs. Miss Bernet discussed the personnel and work of the organization, and the need for woman's equality in the business world.

Delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. George Baker and her committee, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Potter
Secretary.
December 15, 1949

The Regular Meeting of Johnstown Branch of A. A. U. W. was held Dec. 15th, 1949, in the Sanitary Dairy Auditorium. The meeting was opened by the President and immediately turned over to Miss Moiles, Program Chairman.

Miss Moiles told something of the history of the Little Theater Group, and invited interested members to join the project.

The play, "Still Like" by Noel Coward, presented by the Little Theater Group, was ably directed by Miss Nancy Bolden; leading roles were played by Dorothy Kline and Robert Hbert. The actors did an excellent job and the performance was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience.

Delicious refreshments were provided by Mrs. Albert Doyle's committee, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Potter
Secretary,
January 30, 1950

The Regular Meeting of the Johnstown Branch of A. A. U. W. was held January 30, 1950, in the Sanitary Dairy Auditorium. The meeting was given over to Dr. Harold Fishbein, the speaker, whose title was "What Your Dollar Will Buy in Europe."

Having been an expediter for "CARE," Dr. Fishbein gave the audience first hand knowledge of the problems in all the Middle European Countries as well as Israel, stressing the great need for our aid after the war, and how gratefully it was received. He reviewed the difficulties in administering the aid, however, and expressed his opinion that since Europe was becoming more self-sufficient, our aid could now be tapered off.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Potter
Secretary.
The Regular Meeting of Johnstown Branch of A. A. U. W. was held February 28th, 1950, in the Sanitary Dairy Auditorium.

The Speaker of the evening was Dr. Walden M. Holl, who gave an exceptionally timely and interesting talk, his title being "Three Words for Tomorrow." The three words were; "Power," "Opportunity", and "Responsibility".

In developing his theme, Dr. Holl reminded his audience that our nation has the greatest potentiality for power and now has the opportunity to use it, but that this also entails greater responsibility to mankind within and without our borders.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Potter
Secretary.
March 25, 1950

The Regular Meeting of Johnstown Branch of A. A. U. W. was held March 25th, 1950, in the Oak Room of the Fort Stanwix Hotel. Mrs. Robert Grove and Miss Louise Kunkle had made the arrangements for a very successful luncheon.

Mrs. Bowes welcomed members present and introduced the speaker, Mr. James Sheep of Johnstown Center of the University of Pittsburgh.

Mr. Sheep told of his trip to Europe in 1949, stressing the devastation caused by bombing in England, and result a of the war in Belgium, Holland, and France, and the extent of rehabilitation effected by the Marshall Plan.

Mrs. Bowes expressed appreciation to Mr. Sheep for his enjoyable and instructive talk, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Potter
Secretary.
The Regular Meeting of Johnstown Branch of A. A. U. W. was held April 24th, 1950 in the Sanitary Dairy Auditorium. The President opened a brief business meeting and minutes of the March meeting were approved as read by the secretary. Mrs. Bowes asked for the report of the nominating committee and Mrs. Paul Aller read the list of names as follows:

President-------------Mrs. Robert Haberstroh
Secretary-------------Miss Ruth Blaine Goldstein
Executive Committee:
                  Miss Marguerite Hinchman
                  Mrs. Robert Shinabarger
                  Mrs. John Bowes

The Nominating Committee consisted of:
                  Mrs. Paul Aller
                  Miss Louise Kunkle
                  Mrs. Everett Custer

Mrs. Bowes then introduced the speaker of the evening, Miss Ruth Goldstein, who gave a most interesting talk on what goes on "Behind the Scenes in the Retail Market." Miss Goldstein told of the factors which determine selections of a buyer in the Women's Ready-to-Wear Market, and problems and experiences of a buyer while making her selections in the New York Market.

Delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. William Schönre and her committee, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret M. Potter
Secretary,
May 22, 1950

The final meeting of the season of the Johnstown Branch of AAUW was held Monday evening, May 22nd, 1950 at the home of Mrs. John Bennett.

A business meeting was conducted by the President; minutes of the April meeting were approved as read by the Secretary. The Treasurer's report was given by Miss Lockard, who explained that a complete report was not possible since a few bills had not been received. The balance to date was estimated at $200. Miss Lockard stated a need for stationery and cards for official use of Johnstown Branch of AAUW, and a motion was made by Miss Stenger and seconded by Mrs. Custer that these be purchased.

Mrs. Bowes then read the list of nominees for officers to be elected for the 1950-52 period, and requested a motion that a unanimous ballot be cast. A motion to this effect was made by Mr. S. Shupp and seconded by Mrs. Yost, and the following officers were elected unanimously:

President: Mrs. Robert Haberstroh
Secretary: Miss Ruth E. Goldstein
Executive Committee: Miss Marguerite Hinchman
Mrs. Robert Shinabarger
Mrs. John Bowes

The incoming President was introduced by Mrs. Bowes and was warmly received by the large group present. Mrs. Haberstroh told of her impressions and called upon Mrs. Custer to give hers, of the Pennsylvania Conference of AAUW Branches, which both had attended. Both felt they had received inspiration to enlarge the activities of the Johnstown Branch.

Mrs. Haberstroh announced that a special meeting would be held at her home in July for the purpose of making necessary changes in Branch by-laws.

Mrs. Haberstroh also expressed the wish that Johnstown Branch be host to a neighborhood conference next season.
May 22, 1950

The program of the evening was given by Mr. Geo. B. Moreland, Jr. of Cabraria Free Library. Before showing the motion picture, "Help Yourself", Mr. Moreland explained its purpose and how financial aid of "Good Angela" made the production possible.

The technicolor film showing the City of Johnstown and its library and Bookmobile in action proved very enjoyable; the need for funds to continue adequate library service was clearly demonstrated. Mrs. Haberstroh expressed appreciation to Mr. Moreland, and adjourned the meeting.

A social hour followed, with delicious refreshments served by Mrs. Aller's committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Potter,
Secretary.
June 15, 1950

The first executive board meeting of the local A. A. U. W. for the 1950-51 term was held June 15, 1950, at the home of the new president, Mrs. Robert Haberstroh. Those present in addition to the hostess were as follows: Miss Jean Custer, vice-president; Miss Ruth Goldstein, secretary; and two members of the board, Miss Marguerite Hinchman and Mrs. Robert Shinabarger, Miss Lockard, treasurer, and Mrs. Boes, the third member of the board, were absent.

The purpose of the meeting was to submit recommendations to the by-laws Committee, which had been appointed previously to change the local by-laws to concur with those of the National AAUW. Making up the by-laws are Mrs. Everett Custer, chairman, and Mrs. Aller and Nancy Bolden. The following recommendations were made in the form of motions, which were duly passed by the board:

(1.) To close memberships to Associate members after the first of October, 1950. (Miss Hinchman)

(2.) To institute a new office of President-elect, to be chosen in alternate years for a one year term to succeed to active presidency. (Miss Hinchman)

(3.) To have revised by-laws printed for distribution. (Mrs. Shinabarger)

The board also recommended that a special summer meeting be called, in order to present the revised constitution. It was decided that this meeting would be held Monday evening, July 17th, at 140 Bucknell A venue, the home of Mrs. Haberstroh.

The final recommendation of the board was that the present active group of Recent Graduates forms a Social Studies Section, with a definite project to follow.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth E. Goldstein
Secretary.
A special summer meeting of Johnstown Branch of AAUW was held at the home of its President, Mrs. Robert Haberstroh, on Monday, July 17, 1950.

The business meeting was opened by Mrs. Haberstroh. Minutes of the May meeting were approved as read by the secretary. Miss Lockard made a report of the Treasury in detail, and this was accepted. At the same time she outlined the various expenses to be met during the ensuing year, and also emphasized the importance of paying dues on time.

Mrs. Haberstroh reintroduced the subject of the Neighborhood Conference, which had been brought up at the May meeting. The general plans of such a conference and the part which the host branch plays were discussed. A hospitality committee will be appointed shortly by the President.

Miss Moiles extended a cordial invitation to all to attend the August meeting of the International Relations group.

The President then turned the meeting over to Mrs. Custer, chairman of the By-Laws Committee. The purpose of the special meeting was to reconsider the by-laws and make those of our local branch comply with those of State and National. The group voted immediately to consider changes separately. Mrs. Custer then read the by-laws as they had stood before revision, and then as changed to conform with the state and national ones. She then moved that the changes be accepted and printed and distributed to the members of the local branch this year. The motion was passed.

Mrs. Custer then read over the Constitution to the group.

Before adjourning the business meeting, Mrs. Haberstroh announced that the Bridge Section, headed by Mrs. Baker, will hold a benefit bridge during the coming year.

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For the social meeting Mrs. Trexler gave a very descriptive talk on her recent trip to Guatemala. She illustrated her stories with native products such as fans, samples of weaving, etc., also some excellent photos which had been taken during her travels.

The hostess committee, consisting of Mrs. McClure, Mrs. Grove, and Mrs. Matthews, served refreshments.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth Goldstein Elbert
Secretary
Mrs. Haberstroh announced the program for the year completed, printed, and ready for distribution at this meeting. She also announced the plans and program for the A. A. U. W. Penna. Division Neighbor Conference Oct. 7, 1950. Johnstown Branch will be host to Branches from Blair Co., Bradford, Dubois, Elk Co. (St. Marys), and Indiana. The Board of Directors of the Penna. Division will meet at the St. Stanislaus Hotel on Friday, Oct. 6, 1950, and will then participate in the conference there on Oct. 7.

After asking for the support of the Branch Members at the November election for Cambria Library, Mrs. Haberstroh presented the new Committee chairman for 1950 and 1951 as follows: (Copy names and jobs from Year Book)

Mrs. Harry Hager invited new members to join her Current Events Group. Miss Helen Kepple explained the Student Loan Fund and policies.

Mrs. Robert Bowser (Social Studies) reported her group interested in some social service program and had decided to keep the Crippled Children's Clinic. An invitation was extended to all recent graduates to join this group.

Miss Anna Steiger announced the first meeting of the Contemporary Literature Group and extended an invitation to members.

Mrs. Geo. Baker, Chairman of the Bridge Group, extended an invitation to members to join this group.

The regular meeting of Johnstown Branch, American Assn. of University Women, was held Sept. 16, 1950 at the home of Mrs. Russell Yost, Menoher Blvd. The Pres., Mrs. Robert Haberstroh presided. Mrs. Paul Allen was appointed temporary secretary. Minutes of the July meeting were read and approved. Miss Mary Lockard reported on the new "National" regulations concerning Membership in A. A. U. W. as follows:

(1) Members will be delinquent if dues are not paid before Dec. 1st.
(2) Application for Membership must be accompanied by dues of $5.50.
(3) Transfer of membership from one Branch to another must be made thru National Headquarters.
New Business:

The resignation of Ruth Goldstieing Ebert was read and accepted with regret. The Nominating Committee presented the name of Mrs. E. Marshall Griffith for secretary in place of Mrs. Ebert. Since there were no nominations from the floor, it was moved by Miss Anna Stenger and seconded that the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted. The President declared Mrs. Griffith elected.

Miss Mary Lockard reported new members as follows: Miss Ruth Luebben, Mrs. J. H. Edwards, Mrs. Kenneth Fisher, Mrs. Wilson Marshall, Mrs. William Killo, Mrs. William Werry, Mrs. Helen Zechmaister, Mrs. E. E. Hunt, Mrs. E. E. Goddard, Mrs. Margaret Allen, Mrs. David Wolfe, Miss Kathryn Graham and Miss Anna M. Auchenbach, and announced the Benefit Bridge to be held Oct. 27th, 1950, in the Sanitary Dairy Auditorium.

The President turned the meeting over to the program chairman, Mrs. Joseph Bennett, who introduced the speaker, Miss M. Margaret Greer. Miss Greer gave a very interesting talk on "Highlights in Early Johnstown History."

The Hospitality Committee, consisting of Miss Lola Smith, Miss Edith Paul, Miss Izetta Rhodes, Miss Ann Watson, Mrs. Robert Yost, and Mrs. Ruth Mercer had charge of the very lovely tea.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary. Proc. Emerson
The meeting of November 13th was called to order at 8:30 in the home of Mrs. Donald H. Matthews by the vice-president, Miss Joan Ann Custer.

The usual order was reversed and the program was given first. This was a discussion of "Forces Which Tend Toward World Peace," arranged by the International Relations Group.

Mrs. David C. Boag first spoke of "Trade," emphasizing that trade with Asia, even with Russia, through the United Nations instead of directly from the U.S., would bring wealth to the U.S., also understanding, through trade instead of domination.

Mrs. E. W. Trexler spoke of the power of Public Opinion, mentioning the election, the power of younger people, especially student opinion, commentators and T.V., and the Freedom Bill. Mrs. Gerald DeVaux added a discussion of Stuart Chase's "Culture Concept" to this subject.

Mrs. David C. Boag and Miss Sophia Hoiles discussed The Pacific Problem, including the desire of Asiatic Peoples to be economically independent and their intense nationalistic spirit. Some suggested points to watch were: the U.N. discussion of Formosa, the Manchurian railroads of which Russia is part owner, and French Indo-China.

Miss Elizabeth Hage and Mrs. DeVaux discussed the situation in Western Europe, including rearmament and the Brotherhood Development in Germany.

Mrs. Tregler concluded by discussing the accomplishments of the United Nations and giving an outline of its structure.

The business meeting followed. The minutes were read and approved. A letter of appreciation from Mrs. F. G. Evansha and Majorie E. Temple was read, for Johnstown's participation in the recent Neighborhood Meeting. With reference to this meeting Mrs. Bennett brought out that we were $6.00 in the hole because some luncheon reservations were not taken up. Motion, Mrs. Custer, and seconded, that hereafter all reservations for luncheons or dinners be paid for whether or not it is possible to attend. This was carried.
Mrs. Bowser reported for the Social Studies Group that they have been revising the list for the Easter Seal Campaign. 36 Members are interested and 22 were present at their meeting. This group is also interested in the prospective psychiatric clinic. They are setting Miss Greer's sesqui-centennial map of Johnstown to raise money for their projects.

Mrs. Dressler stated that she would report for the Legislative Group at a later date after the ballots are all in.

As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned. Refreshments followed.

Lucille Griffith
Secretary
December 13, 1950

The meeting was called to order at the home of Mrs. George O. Suppes, by the president, Mrs. Haberstroh. The minutes were read and approved. Miss Mary Lockard presented the treasurer's report, showing a balance of $328.52.

Mrs. Haberstroh passed out cards to be filled out by the membership. This will provide the president with a card file giving helpful information about the members.

A special announcement was made about the February 10th luncheon, at which Mrs. John A. Talmadge, former president of the Pa. Division of A.A.U.W., will be the speaker, and good attendance urged.

The business meeting was adjourned, and the evening given over to a delightful program of carol singing under the direction of Mrs. Paul T. Dech. Refreshments followed.

Lucile Griffith
Secretary
The meeting was called to order in the social rooms of the Johnstown Y.W.C.A. by the president, Mrs. Haberstroh. Minutes of the December meeting were read and approved, and a report of the executive committee meeting which had preceded the regular meeting was given.

Mrs. Haberstroh spoke of the coming convention in Atlantic City, and asked if there were any volunteers to attend. Mrs. Doyle reported for Mrs. Hedrich for the Status of Women Group, mentioning especially the Civil Defense Program and the possibility of the drafting of women. Mrs. Bowser reported for the Social Studies group that they are helping with the Easter Seal Campaign. They are also considering a Consumer Research project.

Mrs. Haberstroh reported on a meeting of the War Memorial Stockholders which she had attended to represent the A.A.U.W., as this organization is a stockholder in the building.

The meeting was adjourned.

A program of special movies had preceded the business meeting. This was introduced by Anna Catherine Bennett.

Refreshments followed.

February Meeting—Luncheon—no minutes.

Lucille Griffith
Secretary.
March 26, 1961

The Nominating Committee of Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. reports as follows:

Vice President-----Mrs. Robert Bowser
Treasurer----------Miss Mary Lockard
Board of Directors--Miss Kathleen Meehan
Mrs. Helen Zechariahs
Mrs. Joseph Bennett

Signed:

Margaret M. Potter
(Mrs. Walter)
Margaret Greer
Elizabeth O. Robert
March 26, 1951

The regular meeting of the A.A.U.W. was called to order in the Sanitary Dairy Auditorium at 8:30 p.m. by the president, Mrs. Haberstroh. Preceding the meeting there was a showing of the Cancer Society Film, Self-Examination.

The minutes of the Jan. 29th meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Aller read the revised by-laws for Mrs. Custer, and moved that they be accepted. After some discussion this motion was changed, by adding "to become effective July, 1951." This was carried.

A nominating committee report was read by Mrs. Potter and filed with the secretary.

Mrs. Haberstroh reported that she is getting regular mail regarding the civil defense effort, and suggested that anyone interested in doing some of this work contact her.

The request for non-partisan candidates to fill the vacancy on the School Board was given to the membership, and there was some discussion of possible candidates from the group.

The meeting was adjourned. A program consisting of a preview of the Johnstown High School production of "One Foot in Heaven," introduced by Miss Edith F. Paul was given. There was also special entertainment by Mr. _________. Refreshments followed.

Lucille Griffith
Secretary.
April 23, 1951

The regular meeting of the A.A.U.W. was called to order by the president, Mrs. Haberstroh, in the Sanitary Dairy Auditorium, with a word of greeting to the guests of the members.

Because of the open meeting, the only business in order was the election of officers. The slate was presented by Mrs. Potter, chairman of the nominating committee as follows:

Vice President----Mrs. Robert Bowser
Treasurer---------Miss Mary Lockard
Board of Directors: Miss Kathleen Mechan
                   Mrs. Helen Nokes Zeckmeister
                   Mrs. Joseph Bennett

Miss Alice Gocher moved the election of these officers; this was carried.

The meeting was then turned over to the program chairman, Mrs. Mechan, who introduced the speaker for the evening, Mrs. Bertha Bernard Nichols, on the subject "Style all the While". Refreshments followed.

Lucille Griffith
Secretary.
May 26, 1951

The meeting of May 26 was called to order at 2:30 by the president, in the home of Mrs. Herbert J. Davies.

A report of the executive committee meeting, preceding the regular meeting, was given. Minutes of the April 23rd meeting were read and approved.

A treasurer's report, including a recapitulation for the year, recommended by Miss Mary Lockard. Concluding the report, dues were raised to $6.00. Considerable debate followed, in which the question of why we should belong to the National A.A.U.W was raised. The majority opinion appeared to be that we should be represented at state and national meetings to voice our opinions.

Miss Meehan moved that dues of the Johnstown Branch be raised to $6.00, this was seconded. Mrs. Trexel suggested change to $6.50; and the motion was accordingly changed to read "the Dues of the Johnstown Branch shall be $6.50," seconded by Mrs. Trexel. This was passed by a majority of 22-3.

A discussion followed regarding the association's position in political matters. Mrs. Custer moved that the Johnstown Branch go on record as not supporting any partisan candidate for any position. This was seconded and carried, with five negative votes.

Mrs. Robert Bowser reported for the Social Studies Group as follows: $25.00 had been donated to the Aid for Crippled Children Program, through the sale of Miss Greer's maps. The group is working on the Easter Seal Campaign. Mrs. Bowser asked cooperation from the entire group in a Consumer Research project to be started next year.

The president, Mrs. Haberstroh, then gave a report including the following items:

Mrs. Bennett will represent the organization at the next neighborhood meeting at Altoona.
May 26, 1951

Slips were passed around so that the membership might fill out and check desired subjects for round tables.

Appreciation to all the committee chairmen, and group leaders, was expressed.

Some of the many accomplishments of the year were presented, including the following:

- The fine work of the Social Studies Group, with its benefit to the community as a whole.
- The legislative ballot, to which there were 20 responses.
- Showed the Cancer Film.
- Host to Neighborhood Conference.
- Presented panel in International Affairs at Y.W.C.A.

The president then introduced the speaker for the afternoon, Mrs. Harry Hagar, who presented a program of the poetry of George Meredith, entitled "Walk Through a Literary Garden." Refreshments followed.

Lucille Griffith
Secretary.
The Board of Directors of the Johnstown, Pennsylvania Branch A.A.U.W. met at the home of Mrs. Robert Haberstroh, 140 Bucknell Avenue, Monday evening, September 17, 1951 at 8 o'clock. At the request of the president, Mrs. Bennett read aloud sections 5 and 6 of the A.A.U.W. by-laws regarding meetings of the board. A motion was made and carried that the board dispense with regular monthly meetings and meet only at such times the president shall request. The program for the coming year was read by the program chairman, Miss Alice Gochen. The president listed the committees for the year. Requests for assistance from the organization for the Red Cross Blood Bank and the Community Chest were considered. The board voted to present the Red Cross's request to the association at the September meeting as the first step in a policy of supporting this movement. Mrs. Kittka volunteered the aid of the Social Studies group for the Community Chest Drive. The question of dues was discussed and it was decided that an effort should be made to acquaint the members of the association with the plan of disposition for each member's dues. Miss Mary Lockard, treasurer, was advised to prepare a tentative budget to present at the September meeting. Miss Mary Lockard, treasurer, was advised to prepare a tentative budget to present at the September meeting. Miss Lockard read the resignations of two members, Mrs. Hunt and Mrs. Ziegler. The program for the Neighborhood Meeting on October 16 at Altoona was read by Mrs. Bennett. It was noted that Mrs. Haberstroh and Miss Koilies are to take part in panel discussions at that meeting and it was agreed that the Johnstown Branch should be as well represented as possible there. The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Izetta Rhodes

Acting Secretary.
September 29, 1951

The Johnstown, Pennsylvania Branch A.A.U.W. met at the home of Miss Sophia Moiles, 1617 Ernett Drive on Saturday afternoon, September 29, 1951. The minutes of the executive board meeting were read and approved. Miss Mary Lockyard made a report on the state of the treasury and gave a brief explanation of the disposition of Club member's dues. Mrs. Bennett made an announcement about the Neighborhood Conference at Aliquipp October 15. Mrs. Haberstroh urged the members to attend. Miss Alice Gecher, program chairman, reported on the work of her committee and requested good attendance for the October meeting at the library. Brief reports were given by Miss Lola Smith, hospitality chairman, and Mrs. Donald Matthews, publicity chairman.

Mrs. Haberstroh expressed her gratitude to Mrs. Zeichmeister for her assistance in compiling the year book. She also urged the members of the organization to continue their activities in the smaller groups as Social Service, International Relations, Contemporary Literature, etc. She announced that Nestaces Winstanley, Goddard, Berkey, and Kitka were assisting with Community Chest collections on behalf of the Johnstown Branch A.A.U.W. A paper was passed around for members who would be willing to help secure donors for the Red Cross Blood Bank to sign. Announcement of the first meeting of the Johnstown Film Society was made by Mrs. Haberstroh, and A.A.U.W. members were urged to attend.

Miss Edith Paul, program chairman, then introduced the four persons who presented an excellent program of music. They were: Miss Nancy Jo Crumling who played four numbers on the piano, Miss Joanne Markel, who sang several selections, and Mrs. Richard Zimmerman, who played the flute and the piccolo. Mrs. Andrew Flanagan accompanied Miss Markel and Mrs. Zimmerman.

The afternoon ended with tea served by the hospitality committee, and then a pleasant walk in Miss Moiles's garden. Miss Lola Smith was chairman of the hospitality committee.

Respectfully submitted
Izetta Rhodes
Acting Secretary.
The October meeting of the A.A.U.W. was held at the Cambria Library on Monday, October 26th. The minutes of the May 28th and the September 26th meetings were read and approved.

In the absence of Mrs. Bennett, a brief report of the Neighborhood Conference at Altoona on October 13th was given by our president, Mrs. Haberstroh. Miss Moore, Mrs. Bennett, Miss Hogue, and Mrs. Haberstroh attended the conference. Theme of the conference was—"Community Resources for Freedom."

A card of thanks from the National by-laws Committee was read for the final copies of our by-laws.

The President reminded the club about our Drive for New Members.

The meeting was turned over to the Program Chairman, Miss Anna Stenger, who introduced the speaker of the evening, Mrs. Hull, the new Librarian of Cambria Library. Mr. Hull spoke most interestingly about the History of Book-making. Attention was drawn to the next meeting of A.A.U.W. to be held at the home of Mrs. Everett Custer. Dr. Pauline Evanslear is to be the speaker.

Respectfully submitted
Helen McClure
Secretary Pro. Tem.
November 1951

The regular meeting of the American Association of University Women was held November 26th, at the home of Mrs. Everett Custer.

The President called the meeting to order. The minutes of the October meeting were read and approved.

It was announced that the Christmas party would be held at the Y.W.C.A., instead of as stated in the yearbook. The evening would be devoted to recognizing new members.

The Annual Spring Conference will be held May 2nd and 3rd, 1952 Bethleham, Pa., and the Regional Conference of North Atlantic States at Providence, R.I., August 7th.

Mrs. Haberstroh introduced the speaker for the evening, Mrs. Pauline Ivensha, President of the Pennsylvania Division of A.A.U.W. Mrs. Ivensha told how the A.A.U.W. was held in esteem by colleges and the government; and how it could be helpful to many in various problems and projects. After a very informative and pleasant time with Mrs. Ivensha, the hostesses for the evening served delightful refreshments.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen McClure,
Sec. pro tem
December 1951

The regular meeting of the American Association of University Women was held at the Y.W.C.A. on December 17th, 1951. This was in the form of a Christmas party with entertainment in the form of a Christmas play presented by Cochran Jr. High School dramatics group and songs by Martha Haywood.

A special feature for the evening was the formal presentation of new members to the club by Mrs. Robert Bowser and the membership committee. Each new member was presented with a Christmas corsage. Refreshments followed.

Mrs. E. Marshall Griffith
Secretary.
January 23, 1952

The January meeting of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. was called to order at 8:30 p.m., in the social rooms of the Y.W.C.A., by the president, Mrs. Hagerstroh.

The minutes for the November and December meetings were read and approved. The treasurer's report was given, and will be properly filed for audit.

The president announced an executive board meeting to be held Feb. 6th. at 8 p.m.

Miss Alice Gohon announced the luncheon meeting to be held Feb. 23rd. This will be an open meeting so guests may be invited.

Miss Gohon also requested that names of persons who are willing to speak or provide other types of programs for A.A.U.W. "Neighborhood programs" be given to her. She will compile this information for use by the state division.

The meeting was then turned over to Mrs. Wm. F. Kittka, chairman of the Social Studies group. This group presented an interesting and informative program, including a panel of our women:

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Who presented the results of the Consumer Research study they have been making. In connection with this they had also prepared visual displays to demonstrate good purchasing habits.

Mrs. Kittka then introduced Mr. Herold, executive secretary in Johnstown of the Pa. Society for Crippled Children and Adults, who spoke on the work of this agency, and presented a moving picture about Cerebral Palsy entitled "Search."

Miss Jean Kear, supervisor of special education in the Johnstown Schools, also spoke on Cerebral Palsy, reviewing the history of work with this group in Johnstown. She showed some slide films of Camp Easter Seal.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Mrs. E. Marshall Griffith

Secretary
Minutes of the Executive Board
February 7, 1952.

The Executive Board met at the request of the president, Mrs. Haberstroh, at 3 p.m. on Feb. 37th, in the home of the secretary, Mrs. E. Marshall Griffith. Present were Mrs. Haberstroh, Mrs. Matthews, Yost, Bowser, Dressler and Griffith, and Miss Lockard and Gocher. The particular business of the board for this meeting was the selection of a nominating committee, in accordance with the by-laws of the local branch. The committee recommended that Mrs. George Baker, Chairman, and Mrs. Harry J. Herkey, and Mrs. Russell R. Yost, with Mrs. Robert C. Grove alternate. Mrs. Matthews moved and, it was properly seconded and carried, that the election be held in April this year, as the March meeting is an open meeting.

There was some discussion about the value of sending individual host cards to each member as a reminder of monthly meetings next year, as this involves considerable expense to the organization for mimeographing, and especially in view of the increased mailing charges. It was decided to study this question further, and also to investigate the cost of Addressograph equipment.

Mrs. Haberstroh read a letter from the Pa. State Division president in Berlin, as described in the January A.A.U.W. Journal, and asked for discussion by the board regarding the request for a contribution for this cause by the local branch. This was thoroughly discussed and was the decision of the board to send $25.00 toward this cause.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Mrs. E. Marshall Griffith
Secretary.
March 1952

The March meeting of the American Association of University Women was held at the Sanitary Dairy Auditorium, on March 24.

No business was transacted, and the evening was turned over to the speaker, Dr. George Crouch, from the University of Pittsburgh, who spoke on the "The Broadway Season."

BOARD MEETING

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held, with seven members present. It was decided the President-elect would be sent to the Regional A.A.U.W. meeting to be held in Bethlehem. It was also decided that the president should appoint a committee for the purpose of drawing up a resolution in honor of a charter member, Miss Helen Hinchman.
April 25, 1952

Whereas:

It has pleased God in His infinite wisdom to her Heavenly house, Helen Hinchman and

Whereas:

The Johnstown Branch of The American Association of University Women deeply feels the loss of a beloved and loyal member who possessed a dignity of spirit, a love of beauty in art and literature and a great friendliness:

Be it resolved that the Johnstown Branch place upon its minutes this work of respect for her---

Resolution Committee

Phoebe C. Davies
Margaret Evans
April 28, 1952

The April meeting of the American Association of University Women was called to order on April 28th, at 8:30 p.m. by the president, Mrs. Robert J. Haberstroh, in the social rooms of the Y.W.C.A.

Minutes of the March 24th meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report was given and properly filed for audit.

The election of officers followed, with Mrs. Albert F. Doyle elected president, and Mrs. Robert C. Grove as secretary.

A resolution honoring Miss Helen Hinkleman was read, and will be recorded in the permanent record of this organization in the minutes.

It was announced that Mrs. Doyle, Mrs. Haberstroh, Mrs. Wertz and Mrs. Fisher would be present at the Regional meeting of the A.A.U.W. in Bethlehem in May.

The June Tea, and the May 15 meeting in Hollidaysburg were also announced, and availability of Mountain Playhouse tickets was brought to the attention of the organization.

The meeting was turned over to the program chairman, who introduced Dr. LeRoy Black of the Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh, for a talk and movies on the subject of "Conservation."

Refreshments followed.

Lucille Griffith,
Secretary.
May meeting at home of Miss Alice Dorie, May 24, 1952.

Mrs. Haberstroh opened meeting.

Letter from Legislative Dept. read by Mrs. Dorothy Dowser
"Should all chapters asked for legislation program--
Do not approve of selling narcotics to minors?" Chapter
voted to approve.

Introduction of new president Mrs. Doyle.

Mrs. Doyle gave an interesting and informative report of the Conference meeting at Bethlehem.

Mrs. Haberstroh thanked everyone for the cooperation of the members for her two happy years as President.

Miss Alice Goyer, program chairman, introduced Miss Josephine Young, speaker for the meeting on the "Cathedrals of France."

Refreshments were served.

Elizabeth Hoge
Substitute Secretary.
September 20th, at home of Mrs. Albert Doyle.

Minutes of May meeting read and approved. Mrs. Doyle brought up subject of yearbook committee chairman.

Creative—Jean Ann Guster
Education ------ and----
Fellowship—Isotta Rhodes and 

International Relations

Mrs. Devaux

Social Studies----

Mrs. W. H. Hinke, Jr.

Current Events----Mrs. Hager
Cont. Lit.----------Anna Stenger Oct. 2
Bridge--------------Isotta Rhodes Oct. 10
Nancy Davies---------Hospital Committee
Oct. Meeting Y.W.
Chairman of Com. on Legislation
Mrs. J. Bennett---
reported—National appeal in order to draft a legislation program.
Individual ballots to be sent in.

Elvina Owens—Publicity the paper will permit only names of chairman of committee.


Our Place—radio—television—Our repres.—Jane Smith—of W.C.R.C.

Memb. Ch.—Mrs. Robert Bowser. Bring prospective members to meetings. Urged members to sign permanent record card.

Secy. asks that a recording secy. be elected. Pres. announced acc. to by-laws. Moved—Mrs. Selin—that we have a r. secy.

Com. now—Mrs. David Wertz
Nom be closed—moved by Miss G. Lake.

Secy. asked to cast unanimous ballot for Mrs. Wertz.
Miss Lockhard—suggested we decide what to do with the scholarship fund. Could it be put into savings fund. Com. named by president—Miss Lockhard—Chairman—Marg. Evans—Alice Hocker

Miss Hinkle will be responsible for the Scholarship mimeograph.
The Johnstown Branch of the American Association of University Women met September 20th, 1952 at the home of Mrs. Albert Doyle, president.

Meeting called to order by Mrs. Doyle. Minutes of May meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Doyle said the new yearbooks were being compiled. She announced the chairmen of various committees:
- Publicity: Miss Elvira Owen
- Scholarship: Miss Louise Runkle, chair, and Miss Mary Glenn and Miss Ester Williams
- Creative Arts: Jean Ann Custer
- Education: Miss Thelma Petterman, Miss Agnes Exler
- Legislation: Mrs. Joseph Bennett
- Status of Women: Mrs. Robert E. McClure, Mrs. C. W. Dressler
- Fellowship: Izetta Rhoades, Miss Elsie Kels
- Hospitality: Mrs. Herbert Davies, Jr.
- Membership: Mrs. Robert Bowser
- Program: Mrs. Helen Nokes Zeichmeister

Mrs. Doyle announced that Social Studies Group would meet Oct 15--there would be tour of Mental Health Clinic.

International Relations Group--led by Mrs. Gerald Devaux and Miss Sophia Moiles would meet Oct. 1.

Current Events Group--leader Mrs. Harry Hager meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday.

Contemporary Literature Group--Anna Stenger chairman would meet Oct. 2nd at the residence of Mrs. David Wolfe.

Bridge Group would meet Oct. 10, at the home of Mrs. Fred Morgart.

Nancy Davies, Hospitality chairman announced October meeting at Y. W. C. A. evening of Oct. 27.

Mrs. Joseph Bennett, Legislative chairman, said National Committee had appealed to local branches to help draft Leg. program. Urged ballots to be sent in.

Elvira Owen, publicity chairman, said that newspapers had told her that entire committees would not be included in write-ups. Names of chairman only.
Members were invited to attend Neighborhood Meetings at
Mittany Lion Inn (State College)

Panel—"The Responsibility of College Women in Public Education."

The phase-Radio and Television—our representative Mrs. Jane
Smith assistant manager of Station W.C.R.O. and a member of
the Johnstown branch.

Mrs. Robert Bowser—membership Chairman—urged members to sign
permanent record cards to bring prospective members to
meetings.

President said that Mrs. Grove had asked whether someone
could be elected to act as corresponding Secretary. Motion
was asked for by Mrs. Shupp. Mrs. Daniel Wertz was nominated.
Miss Gertrude Lake moved that nomination be closed and unan-
nimous ballot cast for Mrs. Wertz.

Miss Lockard—treasurer—suggested that we consider what to do
with Scholarship Fund—Pres. nominated as committee—Miss
Lockard, Miss Margaret Evans, Miss Alice Gocher.

 Mimeograph copies of scholarship rules to be given to High
School teachers. Miss Louise Kunkle in charge of this.

Mrs. Doyle said Program Committee had planned a recital by
Johnstown musicians, Mrs. Robert Grove introduced Miss
Kathleen Mainhard, pianist and Mrs. Conrad Guthrie, Soprano,
who presented a delightful program. Mrs. Guthrie was accom-
panied by Mrs. Andrew Flanagan.

Tea was served by the hospitality committee Mrs. Herbert
Davies, Jr. was chairman.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorthea W. Grove
October 27, 1952

The Johnstown Branch of the A.A.U.W. met Monday evening, October 27th at the Y.W.C.A.

Meeting called to order by the Pres-Mrs. Albert Doyle

Secretary read report of Sept. meeting. Minutes were accepted with one correction.

It was announced that next meeting would be held Nov. 24, 1952, at the home of Mrs. Curtis Beerman Program in charge of Internation Relations Com-Miss Sophia Moiles and Mrs. Gerald Devaux. Hospitality in charge of Mrs. Lawrence Haller.

Subject of Dec. meeting will be Decorative Arts in charge of Mrs. Helen Nokes Zeckmeiser and Mrs. Robert Bowser. Members were invited to display articles, any example of their Christmas Artwork.

Miss Louise Kunkle, chairman of the Scholarship com. reported that information regarding loans will be circulated to student advisors of area High School. She said that 22 girls had formerly been helped by A.A.U.W. Scholarship Fund. Miss Kunkle said the question of whether A.A.U.W. would give loans to women taking Nursing Course had been mentioned.

Mrs. Robert Bowser, chairman of membership, announced that dues were being sent in to National chairman. She requested that members receiving "Journal" of A.A.U.W. should notify her. Mrs. Bowser said Cedar Crest College had recently been added to the list of approved A.A.U.W. colleges. This is retroactive, so that former graduates may now join A.A.U.W.

Mrs. Doyle asked membership the club to reserve the date Feb. 14th, when we shall have as guest speaker, Mrs. Herbert W. Anderson. President Penna. Division, A.A.U.W.

The Secretary then read a letter from the Cancer Society of Cambria County offering study material or movies in an educational program to reduce deaths from cancer. A letter was read from the President of Penna. Div. and from National States of Women Committee urging our Branch to ask Gov. Fine to appoint a woman representative to rent advisory Board of Cambria-Somerset area. It was decided to compile a list of names to be sent to Governor Fine.
Mrs. Doyle then announced meeting dates of various study groups:
Bridge—-at home of Mrs. Everett Custer—Nov. 14th
Con. Lit—Mrs. R. W. Trexler—Nov. 6th
Int. Relations—Mrs. H. C. MacWilliams—Nov. 19th
Social Studies—
International Relation—Miss Sophia Moiles
Current Events—Mrs. H. M. Davies, Sr., Nov 12th

Mrs. Doyle gave brief report on Regional Neighborhood Conference at State College, Oct. 11.
Miss Jane Smith, our representative that day in the Panel Discussion gave a brief Resume of the points she brought out at State College, Oct. 11.

Miss Jane Smith, our representative that day, topic was "How University Women Can Lead the Wave in Raising Levels in Radio and T.V. Programs."

Miss Smith's advice was: Accentuate the Positive! She pointed out that if Radio sponsors know that public like high class programs and listen to them; tell their friends about them, such programs will continue. Miss Smith said University Women have an obligation to raise standards at community level, and to encourage other women to participate. Miss Smith is assistant manager of station W. C. R. O.

Meeting was then turned over to Mrs. Joseph Bennett, Chairman of Legislation. She introduced the speaker of the evening, Mr. C. W. Dressler, Associate Editor of Johnstown Tribune Democrat. Mr. Dressler spoke on "Evaluation of Political Situation 1952."

He compared the Party Conventions of this year with conventions of '36-'40-'44 and '48. He highlighted many dramatic incidents as well as humdrum working behind the scenes which have swayed Political events. Nevertheless Mr. Dressler said that it was his personal belief that conventions really do represent the people and that they provide an opportunity for better elements of the electorate to unite for the good of the country. A question period followed. Mr. Dressler answered many lively questions.

At length meeting was adjourned and social period followed. Delectable refreshments were served by a committee headed by Mrs. Donald James.

Respectfully yours,

Dorthea Grove
November 24, 1952

The November meeting of the Johnstown Branch A.A.U.W. was held Monday evening November 24th, at the home of Mrs. Curtis Beerman, 1422 Paulton Street.

Meeting called to order by President Mrs. Albert Doyle.

Secretary's report read and approved. No Treas. report.

Mrs. Doyle asked for report of committee on A.A.U.W. fellowships. Miss Elsie Kels said that A.A.U.W. has given 33 fellowships. The present goal is $1,000,000.

Mrs. Robert McClure reported on Status of Women. She said that she had received information from Dr. Winifred Helms who said national committee was trying to open up wider opportunities for women. Questionnaire had been sent to business firms for information on different types of jobs held by women.

Women are also being mobilized for Civilian Defense.

Mrs. Doyle announced program for Dec. meeting Y.W.C.A. at 8 p.m. Display of Christmas arts and crafts. Ex. board meeting 7 p.m.

Social Studies group (announced meeting at home of Mrs. Warren Minks, Jr.)

Contemporary Literature at home of Mrs. Paul Aller (Dec. 4)

International Relations, Dec. 3rd at home of Mrs. Doyle Current Events, Nov. 25, at home of Mrs. L. W. Trexler Bridg e Group, Dec. 12, at home of Mrs. Nell Fardoe.

Program was in charge of Int. Relations Group. Mrs. Gerald Devaux was chairman.

Mrs. David Boag spoke on England-Miss Sophia Moiles spoke on troubles in the region. Miss M. Hinchman spoke on Yugo Slovia.

Refreshments served by committee. Mrs. Harry Raab

Chairman
Dec. 15, 1952

The December meeting of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. was held in the Y.W.C.A. on Monday, Dec. 15th at 3 p.m.

Meeting called to order by President, Mrs. Albert Doyle. Minutes of Nov. meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer, Miss Mary Lockard, gave a partial financial report.

Mrs. Doyle called attention of members to a recent article in H. Y. Times on the subject of A.A.U.W. Fellowship.

Mrs. Doyle said that she would not call on all chairman for reports, but felt that our chairman of Legislation should be heard. She introduced Mrs. Joseph Bennett.

Mrs. Bennett read a letter from Mrs. Adolph Abramson our State Legislation Chairman. Mrs. Abramson asked that the Johnstown Branch express an opinion whether we favored legislation: (a) to provide a tax program to provide a basic education for every child in Penna. (b) to promote reorganization and integration of child welfare program in the state, so set up agencies in each county would be the same and administered by qualified persons. (c) to set up a committee to revise the constitution of the commonwealth.

Various members told what they knew about these matters, especially as they had been discussed in Neighborhood Conferences of A.A.U.W.

The group then expressed themselves by a show of hands as favoring a and b, but were opposed to c.

Dates and places of Study Group meetings were then announced.

Social Studies—home of Mrs. Warren Hinks, Jr.
Int. Relations—not until Feb.
Current Events—at home of Mrs. Robt Ideson—Jan 16th
Current Lit.—At home of Miss Anna Stengel—Jan. 6
Bridge Group—at home of Mrs. Harrison Burris, Jan. 9.
Dec. 15, 1952

Membership Chairman, Mrs. Robert Bowers, read the names of persons who had joined Johnstown Branch during 1952. She presented a Christmas corsage to each new member.

Meeting was turned over to program chairman, Mrs. Helen Zeichmeister.

Mrs. Zeichmeister introduced an instrumental sextette—all students at Cochran, Jr. High School. Marvin Eshelman, Darlene Matula, Ruthanna Gindlespeger, Tom Casper, Charles Neilson, Ralph Kraft, Sally Sipe.

As a Christmas reading, Mrs. Joseph Bennett gave the Juggler of Notre Dame, by Anatole France.

Remainder of meeting was spent admiring the beautiful and original Christmas decorations which members had designed or made.

Refreshments were served by a committee with Mrs. R. J. Haberstroh as chairman.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorthea Grove
The Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. met in the Sanitary Dairy Auditorium, on Monday, January 26, 1953 at 8 p.m. Meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Albert Doyle. Mrs. Doyle said that she had received suggestion that we omit the Business-Meeting in order to give our members and guests a better opportunity to listen to our speaker and to ask him questions. This motion was passed.

Mrs. Doyle then called upon Miss Sophia Moiles, Chairman of International Relations, who introduced Mr. E. L. Vinocour who had been 10 months in Korea as adviser to Pres. Syngman Rhee and to the Korean Office of Public Information. In his liaison duties between the R.O.K. government and the U.N. forces. Mr. Vinocour became well acquainted with Mr. Rhee and with Gen. Van Fleet.

Mr. Vinocour praised the bravery and perseverance of the Korean people. He said the R.O.K. troops are good fighting men; he said that Gen. Van Fleet was highly respected by the Koreans.

But Mr. Vinocour said the Domestic economy of Korea is a real threat. He said success at the front means nothing if the civilian population find it impossible to live without food, shelter, or means to carry on business. He said that the U.N. has sent commissions to Korea. These agencies get information, but thus far have not sent in the necessary steel, machinery, fertilizer which would enable the Koreans to build up their country. Mr. Vinocour said that 95% of the military forces were R.O.K. or United States of America. He said that other members of the U.N. should be urged to make greater contributions.

Mr. Vinocour's talk was warmly applauded. An open forum followed, in which Mr. Vinocour answered questions on the point of view of the Korean people concerning many subjects.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Paul Allen and her committee.

Respectfully,

Dorothea W. Grove
February 14, 1953

The Mid-winter Luncheon, of Johnstown Branch A. A. U. W. was held at Hotel Fort Stanwix Saturday Feb. 14th at 12:30 P.M. General conversation with Mrs. Anderson, President of our Pennsylvania Division, for a short time before the lunch. The different committee chairman meeting with her were given interesting suggestions.

At the Luncheon the invocation was given by Mrs. Haberstroh. After the welcoming remarks by our Branch president, Mrs. Doyle, the minutes of the December and January meetings were read and approved. The Current Events Discussion Group will be held at the home of Mrs. James Ralston, March 11th.

International Relations Group will meet at the home of Mrs. Daniel Worth, March 4th.

The Social Study Group will meet at Mrs. Robert Bowser Feb. 18th.

The Bridge Group will meet at Mrs. Baker's March 18th.

Contemporary Literature Group at the home of Mrs. Doyle March 5th.

The Social studies Group will have charge of the March Meeting, subject--Problem of Mental Health in Community for Next Year. A film strip will be shown.

Drawings for the lovely lace center pieces were won by Mrs. Bowser and Jane Smith. The third was sent to Miss Gertrude Lake who was in the hospital.

Mrs. Zechmeister introduced our speaker, Mrs. Hervert Anderson, President of Pennsylvania Division of A.A.U.W. Among her points, she emphasized that members of A.A.U.W. should accept responsibilities of our community. She urged that all who could should attend the Regional Convention May 8th and 9th in Pittsburgh at Wh. Penn Hotel.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen McClure
Sec. Pro Temp.
THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
March 3, 1953

The Executive Board meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Albert F. Doyle, March 3, 1953.

It was decided that the March 30 meeting would be open to permit those not belonging to A.A.U.W. and interested in Mental Health, to attend.

A nominating committee was chosen. Those on the Committee are Mrs. Robert J. Haberstroh and Mrs. Warren H. Hinks, Jr. and Mrs. John J. Brett.

It was decided that the Women's Assoc. of the Univ. of Pittsburgh in Johnstown be notified that there is a scholarship fund available from A.A.U.W.

The resolution of the Philadelphia Branch of A.A.U.W. was approved and the committee asked that it be brought before the entire group.

The committee asked that the organization be asked if any members are willing to serve on juries. Names are to be submitted to the Jury Commissioners of our county.

It was recommended that a specific amount of money be allotted to the program committee to pay expenses of speakers.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Wertz

Acting Secretary.
March 30, 1953

The regular meeting of the Johnstown Branch A.A.U.W. was held on Monday evening, March 30, 1953 at the Y.W.C.A.

Meeting called to order by Pres. Mrs. Albert Doyle.

Minutes of Feb. meeting were read and approved.

Report of Executive Board meeting (March 8, 1953) was read. This included the names of the nominating committee. Mrs. Warren W. Hinks, Jr., Mrs. Robert, J. Habershon, and Mrs. John J. Brett.

Miss Mary Lockard, treas. reported that some members are delinquent in their dues. Mrs. Doyle requested that she send statements to those members.

Mrs. Doyle requested Secretary to read a letter from Mrs. Herbert Anderson, Pres. of Penna. Division. This letter requested that Johnstown Branch help to compile a list of Penna. women fitted for appointment to State commissions.

Mrs. Doyle requested that A.A.U.W. women willing to serve on juries give names to Mrs. Joseph Bennett, Leg. Chairman.

Mrs. Doyle said that our Branch had been asked to pass a resolution that section 23 of the Internal Revenue Code be amended. This would allow a Business woman to deduct cost of domestic service as a legitimate expense in gaining her income. Phila. Branch passed this resolution and is sponsoring it. It was moved, seconded and carried by Johnstown Branch that Johnstown Branch favor the amendment.

The dates and places of the various Study Groups were then announced.

Mrs. Doyle asked Secretary to read from the By-laws sections which stated that Vice Pres. and Treas. should be elected on alternate years from the Pres. and Sec.

Mrs. Doyle then asked Mrs. W. W. Hinks, Jr. to give the nominating report. Mrs. Hinks said that Mrs. David Lloyd Zook had been nominated for Treas. Election will be held Monday, April 27th.
March 20, 1968

The program was in charge of the Social Studies Group. Mrs. Warren Hinks, Jr. Chairman and Mrs. James H. Kring. A film "Building Mental Health in your Community" was shown. Mrs. Robert Bowser and Mrs. Allen N. Reynolds, Jr. were narrators.

Dr. Agnes Carrity, supervisor of special education in Cambria County Schools and Murray K. Terris clinical psychologist at our city-county clinic answered questions about Mental Health.

Following the program, refreshments were served by a committee, Mrs. George Matthews, chairman.

Respectfully Submitted,

D. W. Grove
Regular monthly meeting of Johnstown Pa. Branch of A.A.U.W. was held on Monday evening, April 27, 1953, at home of Mrs. Victor Bently, 138 Palliser St.

Meeting called to order by President, Mrs. Albert Doyle.

Minutes of March meeting were read and approved.

Note from Treasurer, Miss Mary Lockard, was read which asked that members send to her any outstanding dues or bills as she was desirous of closing financial report for the year. Secretary also read a letter from Group II, Jr. Auxiliary of Memorial Hospital concerning Season Tickets for the Mountain Playhouse, Jennerstown, Pa.

Mrs. W. H. Hinks, Jr., reported on the plans of the Social Studies Group to present a series of Radio Programs in the interest of Mental Health. The club voted to approve these plans.

Election of officers was then held. The nominating committee presented the names--Mrs. David Lloyd Zook for Vice-President and Miss Louise Kunkle for Treasurer. Chairman asked for nominations from the floor. Since there were none, the Secretary was authorized to deposit a unanimous ballot for the candidates selected by nominating committee. The Secretary therefore declared that Mrs. David Zook was duly elected Vice-President and Miss Louise Kunkle--Treasurer.

Mrs Helen Zeichmeister made the motion that the Program Committee be allowed to spend an amount not exceeding $75 for the fees and expenses of speakers. This motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Doyle announced that Miss Alma Stuchell and Miss Marie Culliton had been appointed auditors for the financial records of the club.

The dates of various group meetings were given.
April 27, 1953

Mrs. Doyle called attention of the organization to the dates of the State Convention at Wm. Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh, on May 6th and 9th. She urged members to attend. The meeting was turned over to Program Chairman, Miss Jean Ann Custer who introduced Mr. Edward Jordan of Johnstown Tribune-Democrat. Mr. Edward Jordan showed an attractive film--The Keystone Idea--which very forcefully brought out the importance of the services provided by a daily newspaper in a community.

Miss Jean Custer spoke on creative arts opportunities in Johnstown. A very interesting discussion period followed, led by Mrs. Zeichmeister.

Mrs. Zeichmeister said the May meeting would be a tea, Saturday afternoon, May 25, at home of Mrs. E. Marshall Griffith. Program will be in charge of Contemporary Literature Group.

Refreshments were served by the Hospitality Committee, Miss Verda Gearhart; Mrs. R. F. Burns, Chairman.

Submitted by

Dorothea W. Grove

Approved as corrected.
May 1933

The May meeting of the Johnstown, Pa. Branch of A.A.U.W. was held on Saturday afternoon, May 23, 1933 at the home of Mrs. E. Marshall Griffith, 432 Dickinson St.

Meeting called to order by Mrs. A. F. Doyle, Pres.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved with one correction.

Report of Treasurer was omitted as the treasurer was not present.

Mrs. Doyle announced that Miss Mary Lockard was retiring from the office of Treasurer of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W., after having served for many years. It was suggested that the Club rise as a token of gratitude to Miss Lockard. This was done.

Mrs. Doyle then introduced Miss Alice Davis, who conducted a brief Memorial Service for Mrs. Gladys Bantly Sevanger, who had died during the year.

Reports of committee chairmen were asked for.

Mrs. Joseph Bennett, chairman of Legislation, read a letter from the National Chairman of Legislation asking that the Sec. 22, of the Internal Revenue Code be amended. Mrs. Doyle said that the same request had come previously from the Phila. Branch and that we had voted on it at the March meeting.

Mrs. Russell Yost moved that the Hospitality Committee be made up entirely by our Recent Graduates. Seconded by Mrs. Shupp. There was some discussion showing that it would be difficult to do this. The vote was in the negative.

Mrs. Doyle then announced the National Convention to be held June 22-26 in Minneapolis, Minn.

Mrs. Doyle gave a report of the Convention of the Penna. Division held May 3 and 9 in Pittsburgh.
May 1953

Meeting was turned over to Mrs. Helen Zechmeister. She said meeting was in charge of Contemporary Literature. Miss Stenger who introduced the Speaker of the afternoon, Miss Ruth Leach, Miss Leach gave a very entertaining and informative report on recent books. Her topic was "A Calorie Chart for Vocation Reading." Miss Leach had made a chart on which books were grouped as "Mental Muscle Builders" or "Bedtime Snacks." The mimeographed sheets were kind contribution from Miss Leach. The talk was greatly enjoyed.

Tea was served by a Committee headed by Mrs. George Baker.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothea Grove
The September meeting of the Johnstown, Pa. Branch A.A.U.W. was held September 28, 3 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Helen Nokes Zechmeister.

Meeting was called to order by Mrs. Albert Doyle.

Minutes of May meeting were read and approved.

Financial Report was given by Miss Louise Kunkle, Treasurer. Remaining yearbooks would be mailed to members.

Mrs. Doyle said that yearbooks would be given out at the close of the meeting. Remaining yearbooks would be mailed to members.

Secretary read a letter from Mr. C. Howard Williams, Chairman of the local Community Chest Organization, Small Business Div. Drive. Mr. Williams asked for volunteers to assist in the solicitations of the Business District. Mrs. Doyle emphasized the need for the Community Chest, and also asked for persons to help in the Residential Solicitation Division.

Mrs. Doyle then asked for reports of Committee Chairmen.

A very interesting report of a tour of the City Mental Health Clinic, Sept 9, 1953, was given by Mrs. Warren Hinks, Jr., Chairman of the Social Studies Group. Mrs. Hinks said that their group had been urged by Mr. Billstone to study ways and means of sponsoring a Mental Hygiene Society in Johnstown.

Mrs. Doyle announced that the Johnstown Branch A.A.U.W. had placed flower in Trinity Lutheran Church in memory of Gladys Bently Sevanger.

Meeting was then placed in charge of the Program Committee. The Speaker of the evening, Miss Rebecca T. Cross was introduced by Mrs. C. W. Dressler, co-chairman of the Status of Women Committee.

Miss Cross is editor of the Lock Haven Express. She is a member of A.A.U.W. who has interviewed prominent officials in many European countries. She was a member of the small group of U. S. newspaper editors who were allowed by the U.S.S.R. to visit Moscow.
September 23, 1953

Her topic, "My six days in Moscow" was extremely entertaining and instructive. Miss Grove proved to be very capable of giving a complete coverage in a few words. The Question period was especially enjoyed.

The social hour was in charge of Mrs. John Brett and her committee.

Respectfully submitted,

D. W. G.
The October meeting of Johnstown, Pa. Branch A.A.U.W. was held at 8 p.m., Oct. 26, 1953, at the Y.W.C.A. A large number of members and guests were present.

The meeting was called to order by President, Mrs. A. F. Doyle. She welcomed our guests, and said that regular business meeting would be omitted. Mrs. Doyle made some brief comments on the A.A.U. W. Neighborhood Conference in Indiana, Pa. Johnstown Branch was represented on the Panel Discussion by Miss Agnes Exler. Mrs. Doyle announced that any member who had not received our local yearbook should check with the Secretary.

Meeting was turned over to the Speaker of the evening, Mr. A.W. Colegrove of the Editorial Board, Scripps Howard Newspapers Alliance, Washington, D. C.

Mr. Colegrove was introduced by Mrs. Robert W. Shinabarger, chairman of our committee on Legislation.

Mr. Colegrove, a member of the Air Corps had spent one year in the Pentagon and two years overseas as a Jr. Officer. He explained how Radar can give our air force warning of an enemy attack. He discussed the problem of A. bombs and H bombs and how they might enter this country. Mr. Colegrove was able to answer numerous questions from the audience, so that we all know just a little more about this very important and extremely technical subject.

At the close of the Question period, refreshments were served by the hospitality committee, Mrs. John Gwilk, chairman.
November 23, 1953

The regular meeting of the Johnstown Branch A. A. U. W. was held Monday evening, Nov. 23, 1953 at the Y. W. C. A.

Meeting called to order by President, Mrs. A. F. Doyle. Minutes of October meeting were read and approved with one correction.

Miss Louise Kunkle, Tres. gave a report. She said that 90 members had paid dues and that a few checks had just been turned in that evening. Miss Kunkle pointed out that Treasurers' Books for 1953-1954 dues would close soon, as Dec. 1st was deadline set by National.

Mrs. Doyle made announcements of dates of Study Groups. Announcements of date in Social Studies group was changed. This will be held Dec. 16th rather than Dec. 9th. Mr. Laurie Bellstone of City County Clinic will be the speaker.

Mrs. Helen Zecheimster announced that the Dec. meeting would be a Tea at the Ft. Stanzix Hotel—Saturday afternoon Dec. 12, 2-4 p.m. For this meeting members were invited to bring guests to see a display of paintings by Josephine Paul. There would be a lecture on Madonnas in Art by Miss Gertrude Lake.

Mrs. Doyle thanked Mrs. E. Marshall Griffith for helping to memograph the A. A. U. W. Newsletter. Mrs. Doyle called our attention to a request for discarded clothing for children in Korea. This is a project of the Edna K. Pearl Club of the "Future Teachers of America". Miss Thelma Fetterman our chairman on Education is advisor of this group. Mrs. Doyle presented a guest, Miss Alice Altman, a member of the "Future Teachers of America" who told us about organization.

Our Meeting was then turned over to our Program Committee. Miss Agnes Exler introduced Dr. Willis E. Pratt, President of State Teachers College, Indiana, Pa.

Dr. Pratt spoke on the topic, "The dilemma of Education Today." He said that teachers have to decide whether the main emphasis should be Freedom or Security. He said that we need to understand the importance of each idea in order to perpetuate our Democratic way of life.
Dr. Willis's address was followed by a question period.

Refreshments were served by the Hospitality committee—
Mrs. Donald Matthews, chairman.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy W. Grove
The December meeting of A.A.U.W. was held at Ft. Stanwix Hotel, Saturday December 12 in the form of a Christmas Tea.

There was a beautiful and interesting display of some of the paintings of Miss Josephine Paul. Miss Paul is Art instructor at Cochran Jr. High.

There were musical selections by an instrumental trio—Miss Catherine Stringer, violinist, Mrs. Lois Fair, cellist, and Mrs. Mary Lou Carpenter pianist. Mrs. H. C. Pavian led in the singing of Christmas carols.

Miss Gertrude Lake, Supervisor of Art in the Johnstown Public Schools, was the speaker.

Miss Lake lectured on the subject: "Madonnas in Art" Her talk was illustrated by slides of many famous works of Art.

Mrs. H. C. Pavian and her committee were in charge of the Tea.
The regular Meeting of the Johnstown Branch, A.A.U.W. was held Mon. evening, Jan. 25, 1954 at the residence of Mrs. Edward L. Kelm.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. A. F. Doyle, who introduced the guests, and greeted the members. Mrs. Doyle then suggested that the recommendations of the executive board be accepted by the organization. The recommendations were as follows: That the flowers that were sent in memory of Mrs. Suppes be paid by the organization. The recommendations was put in form of a motion by Miss Margurite Hinchman and seconded by Mrs. L. W. Trexler. Secondly: That a note be sent to Miss Rebecca Gross, expressing sympathy for her automobile accident and wishing her a speedy recovery; moved by Mrs. Everett Custer, seconded by Miss Marguerite Hinchman.

Minutes of the Nov. and Dec. were read and approved.

Miss Louise Kunkle reported receipts Jan. 1954 was $230.31. Total membership 120 members.

The President then called for reports from chairman of the branch committees. The program chairman, Mrs. Helen Zeichmeister announced that the February meeting be a dessert party, would honor all past presidents of A.A.U.W., it would be a story of the Johnstown Club.

The President then called on Miss Sophia Woiles, International Relations Chairman in charge of program for the meeting, who in turn asked Mrs. Helen Zeichmeister to give the background study of the Iraq and then to introduce the speaker, Miss Margaret Leaughlin a teacher in the Hindber High School, who had been a Fullbright Exchange teacher and spent a year teaching in Iraq.

Miss McLaughlin gave a most interesting and detailed talk along with her colored slides of the people of Iraq, their customs, dress, climate, country and religion.
Miss McLaughlin pointed out that Iraq was a land of contrast between Mountain and desert, also extremes of climate—-a people who were constantly fighting for their freedom, 80% were Moslems, 20% Christians.

Refreshments were served by the hospitality committee, Mrs. James Hutchinson, Chairman.

Respectfully submitted,

Adeleen Schrock
Acting Secretary,
February 22, 1954

The regular monthly meeting of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. was in the form of a dinner party held in the Fort Stanwix Hotel, on Monday evening, Feb. 22, 1954. After a delicious dessert, the President, Mrs. Albert F. Doyle called the meeting to order and greeted the honored guests of the evening, our own Past Presidents.

The minutes of the January 25 meeting were accepted as corrected:

The Treasurer, Miss Louise Kunkle, reported as follows:

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Her report will be filed for audit.

Reports of Standing Committees:
Membership-Mrs. David Zock—Nothing to report.
Social Studies-Mrs. Warren Hinks, Jr.—No report.
Status of Women-Mrs. Robert E. McClure—read a questionnaire from National Headquarters pertaining to capable women for public offices. She stated that local branches are to report such names to their State Divisions, and the State Divisions to National Headquarters, which would like a complete list of women qualified for public office.

After discussion regarding the questionnaire, Mrs. Paul Aller made a motion, which was duly seconded, that a questionnaire be sent out to our membership for the desired information, the results tallied and our Branch report then be sent to National by Mrs. McClure. The Motion was carried by a voice vote and also by a "show of hands."

Education-Miss Thelma Fetterman—"How we can get enough good teachers?" Mrs. Doyle will set up a committee in the future to study this subject.

Program-Mrs. Helen M. Zeichmeister—reported a "switch" in programming. The March 22 meeting will be in charge of the Social Studies Group, with Mrs. Warren H. Hinks, Jr. and Mrs. James E. Kring, co-chairman. Their subject will be "Mental Health and Society."
The April meeting will be the Fellowship Program, with Miss Izetta Rhoades and Miss Elsie Kels as co-chairman. Speakers for the evening will be Miss Kuokken of Finland and Mrs. Elena Bacarrano of South America.

At Mrs. Doyle's request, Mrs. Zechmeister introduced the Program Chairman for the evening, Miss Jane Smith, assistant manager of Station WCHS. Miss Smith, with the aid of slides, reviewed the history, growth and objectives of the American Association of University Women from the time such an organization was but a gleam in the eyes of the founding 65 women from 8 different colleges who met in Boston, Jan 14, 1892, to the present. The first group was known as "Association of Collegiate Alumnae"—and the names of Lucy Stone, age 60, Ellen Richards, age 40, Alice E. Freeman (Palmer), age 27, stand out as pioneer members. The oldest branch is in Washington, D. C. as the years marched along, the number of branches in 1952—was 1207, membership was 120,000, and approved colleges, 315. The first Headquarters established in Washington, D. C. in 1918, dues were $2.00 a year. In 1921, the name was changed to American Association of University Women. The Johnstown Branch was organized in 1923.

The second part of the program, "Do You Remember Dearie?" was under the direction of Mrs. Doyle as Mistress of Ceremonies, ably assisted by the Past Presidents of our Branch, who recalled their administrations' most interesting, funniest, and frustrating experiences. The following Past Presidents of our Branch, who recalled their administrations' most interesting. Presidents spoke: Miss Margaret Evans (1923-24); Mrs. Russell R. Yose (1924-25); Mrs. Frank P. Barnhart (1929-31, 1931-32); Mrs. Everett Custer (1936-37, 1937-38); Mrs. E. W. Trexler (1938-39, 1939-40); Mrs. Gerald Devaux (1940-41, 1941-42); Mrs. Paul F. Aller (1942-43, 1943-44); Mrs. Harry F. Rabb (1944-45, 1945-46); Miss Marguerite Hinckman (1946-47, 1947-48); and Mrs. Robert J. Haberstroh (1950-51). Five Past Presidents were unable to attend. They were Miss Sophia Moiles (1922-23, 1926-27, 1927-28); Mrs. A. S. Trent (1928-29, 1929-30); Mrs. Calvin C. Rush (1932-33, 1933-34); Miss Laura E. McCann (1934-35, 1936-39); and Mrs. John W. Bowes (1940-42, 1942-44). Mrs. Doyle recalled some of the events of those years in some instances read greetings from those not present. It was noted that Miss Evans, Miss Hinckman, Mrs. Trexler, Miss
February, 1954

Goucher, Mrs. Custer, Mrs. Raab had been among the charter members of the Johnstown Branch who were present.

Before adjourning the meeting, Mrs. Doyle remarked that she would be happy to join her distinguished predecessors as a Past President, as they looked like a healthy group to her.

Mrs. Doyle thanked all who had taken part in the program, those who had attended, and the Hospitality committee; Mrs. L. W. Krum, Chairman, Mrs. Harry Findley, Miss Frances Perkins, and Miss Nellie E. Fardoe for arranging the party.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs. C. W.) Margaret Dressler

Acting Secretary
March 22, 1954

The regular meeting of Johnstown Branch A.A.U.W. was held on Monday, March 22, at 8 p.m. at the Cambria Library.

The Sec. report was read approved with one correction.

Tres. reported a balance of $170.66.

Mrs. Doyle called meeting to order and expressed her appreciation to Mr. Furl for allowing us to use the Library for a nominal fee.

Mrs. Doyle brought to our attention a letter from its State Chairman of the Status of Women Committee asking us to nominate a distinguished daughter of Penna. Miss Hinchman suggested Ruth Glenn. Mrs. Doyle referred to a list and found Ruth Glenn had already been nominated. She suggested that we keep this matter in mind.

Mrs. Doyle said the Johnstown Branch deeply regretted the death of Mrs. W. O. Keffer. She appointed Mrs. Frank Barnhart as chairman of a committee to decide on a fitting memorial for Mrs. Keffer.

Mrs. R. E. McClure, Chairman of the Committee on Status of Women asked us to fill out questionnaires on Branch Support for Candidates for Public Office. This was done so the results might be tabulated at once, and urged to attend Institute at State College. Mrs. Helen Nokes Zechmeister urged everyone to attend the April meeting. The speaker will be Dr. Ann Kuokkanen, Finnish Chemist and Librarian who is studying Library Science at Carnegie Institute in Pittsburgh under the International Grants Program of A.A.U.W. Everyone was urged to attend the Institute. "Art in Family Living" held in State College, April 9-10.

Mrs. James H. King, Co-chairman of the Social Studies Group, introduced the Speaker of the Evening, Dr. George C. Walter of Johnstown Center U. of Pitt. showed a film on Mental Health, called "The Angry Boy." Dr. Walter pointed out many lessons gained from study of the film. A Question period followed.
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The evening closed with a social period. Refreshments were served by the hospitality committee—Mrs. Harry J. Berkey, chairman.
April 26, 1954

The regular meeting of Johnstown, Pa. Branch of A.A.U.W. was held on Monday evening April 26, 6 p.m. in the club rooms of Cambria Savings Assoc. 235 Franklin Street.

The meeting was convened by President, Mrs. Albert F. Doyle, who told us that the speaker of the evening had arrived in Johnstown and would soon be in the building. She confided the pleasing news the Dr. Kuokkanen was accompanied by Mrs. A. Blessinger, Secretary of the Pittsburgh Branch, and by Mrs. Herbert Clander, a former resident of Johnstown and former member of the Johnstown Branch A.A.U.W.

We then proceeded to the business of the evening. The report of the Secretary was approved with one correction. The report of the Treasurer was heard and ordered filed. The Secretary then read several communications from the State Of ficers of A.A.U.W. Mrs. Doyle announced the meeting dates of our Special Study group.

The meeting was then turned over to the Fellowship Committee. Miss Izetta Rhodes introduced the Speaker, Dr. Ann Kuokkanen, of Finland. Dr. Kuokkanen appeared in the picturesque garb of her native land. Her charm and manner won us all. We were much interested to hear of life in Finland and of the high standards of scholarship which prevails there. We were pleased that the A.A.U.W., by its fellowship fund, was able to offer opportunities for such University women to pursue their studies in the United States.

Dr. Kuokkanen very graciously answered many questions about Finland. She displayed articles made by the women of Finland. It was a most enjoyable and interesting experience for the Johnstown Branch.

The Social hour was in charge of Mrs. J. Hayes Edwards and her hospitality committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorthea W. Grove
May 26, 1934

The May meeting of the Johnstown Branch of the American Association of University Women was held Saturday afternoon at the home of the President, Mrs. Albert Doyle.

Mrs. Robert Haberstroh, who was in charge of the meeting, introduced Mrs. Dummer, who sang three lovely selections of music—"I heard a Forest Praying", "Is It Spring"; and "Gossip." Mrs. Dummer was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Hughes.

Mrs. Haberstroh then introduced Mrs. Moreau, who gave us a wonderful reading of "Dan'l Webster and the Devil."

Following Mrs. Moreau's reading, the meeting was opened for business. The Secretary's report was read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and filed for audit.

A report was given by Mrs. Joseph Bennett on the inability of the nominating committee and also a special committee formed by the president, to find someone in the organization to accept the nomination for president for the next two years.

A resolution, drawn up by Mrs. Joseph Bennett, Mrs. Everett Custer, Mrs. David Boag, was presented, to dissolve the Johnstown Branch, A.A.U.W., due to the inability of the nominating committee to secure a candidate for president, and abide by the National's By-Laws which state that an organization must have elected its officers by June 1.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bennett to accept the resolution, and was seconded by Mrs. Morgart. After much discussion, Mrs. Daniel Wertz said she would be willing to take office of president for the following two years. However, she wanted the group to clearly understand that she could devote little time to the organization until January 1, 1935. She also requested that committee chairmen be appointed before the end of the meeting. Mrs. Wertz was accepted as president for the organization by an unanimous vote. Miss Edith Melling was elected secretary.
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Following the election a letter was read, requesting the Johnstown Branch to take action on a conservation program in Johnstown. A motion was made by Mrs. Haberstroh that A. A. U.W. be represented on the conservation program if the policing of Stackhouse Park was to be one of the objectives of the program. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Frank Barnhart, Miss Mellinger volunteered to represent A.A.U.W.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Wertz
Acting Secretary.
The September meeting of the Johnstown Branch of the American Association of University Women was held on Monday evening, September 27, 1954, at the Westmont Dairy Dell.

Fifty members were served a delicious dinner, which was immediately followed by the program for the evening.

Mrs. Wertz, the president, presented Mrs. Albert Doyle, who introduced the speaker of the evening, Mrs. Joseph Bennett. Mrs. Bennett gave a sparkling and comprehensive review of Edgar Scott's book, "How to Lay a Nest Egg," which was the keynote for the theme of the season's activities and studies, "You and Your Money."

Miss Margarette Hinchman then introduced Miss Senft, of the Penn Traffic's Department of Women's clothes. Through the courtesy of the Penn Traffic, Miss Senft presented a film showing the latest in women's fashions.

A short business meeting followed the program. The minutes for the previous May were read and approved. Miss Louise Kunkle the treasurer reported that there had been three reinstatements, two new members and there was a balance of $47.17 in the treasury.

A communication from the Business and Professional Women's Club, asking the A.A.U.W. to suggest the name of a woman who should be named "Woman of the Year," was read by the secretary.

There was also a communication from the Y.W.C.A, asking for ideas and suggestions for that organization.

It was moved seconded, and approved, that both communications be turned over to the executive committee for action.

The meeting then adjourned until October 25.

Respectfully submitted,

Edith Mellinger,
Secretary.
The October meeting of the American Association of University Women was held on October 25, 1934, at the home of Mrs. Everett Custer.

The Secretary’s minutes were read and approved.

The treasurer’s report was read and accepted. The treasurer reported one new member and one reinstated.

Mrs. Wertz, the president, showed the members, Virginia Gildersleeve’s new book, "Many a Good Crusade," which an anonymous donor had presented to the association. If members who wish to read the book will present their names to Mrs. Wertz, she will see that they may borrow the book in the order in which their names occur.

Following the business meeting, Mrs. Robert Haberstroh, assisted by her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Robert D. Haberstroh, held the forty-five members spellbound with an account of her summer journey through Europe. Mrs. Haberstroh’s talk was beautifully illustrated with colored slides which she and her husband took during their tour.

After a coffee break at ten o’clock, Mrs. Haberstroh resumed her talk to tell of the rest of her delightful summer.

The meeting then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Edith Mellinger,
Secretary
The November meeting of A.A.U.W. was held at the home of Mrs. David Wolfe on November 22, 1954.

The President presented Mrs. Andrew Fisher, who introduced Attorneys John Ayers, Robert Rose, and Benjamin Hinchman, of the Cambria County Bar Association, who conducted a panel discussion of "Estate Planning," the second in the series of "Your and Your Money."

With Attorney Hinchman in the role of moderator, the three young men discussed, in a witty and entertaining way, the necessity and importance of making a will, no matter how small the estate and the proper procedure to be followed in doing so. They emphasized that wills should always be signed, and that they should be witnessed by at least two people not mentioned in the will.

A short business meeting followed the program. The minutes were read and approved and the treasurer's report was read and accepted. The treasurer reported one re-instatement.

Mr. Wertz announced the resignation of Mrs. D. L. Zook, the Vice president, who has moved away from Johnstown. The nominating committee presented the name of Mrs. Warren Hinks to fill the vacancy caused by Mrs. Zook's resignation, and Mrs. Hinks was unanimously elected.

After the serving of coffee and cakes the meeting adjourned.

Edith Mellinger, Sec.
The December meeting of A.A.U.W. was held in the Oak Room of the Fort Stanwix Hotel on Saturday afternoon, December 11, 1954.

Due to the special efforts of an energetic committee, a large crowd was present at the meeting. On entering the room, the members were greeted by the sight of tables beautifully decorated with snowballs, bells, and ivy in white, silver, green, and gold. At each place there was a corsage of evergreens and bells tied with gold and silver ribbon.

In keeping with the Christmas season, the members sang Christmas carols with Mrs. James Meehan at the piano.

A delicious dessert was served after which a group of Central High School students, members of Miss Edith Paul's dramatics classes, and directed by Miss Paul, presented a most impressive one-act play, "The Coins of His Kingdom."

The business meeting was omitted for that day, so the members adjourned after this excellent program.

Edith Mellinger,
Secretary.
January 24, 1955

The January meeting of A.A.U.W. was held January 24, at the home of Mrs. L. R. Findal. After the reading of the minutes by the secretary, and the treasurer's report, Mrs. Wertz, the president, introduced Miss Sophia Moiles, program chairman, who in turn introduced the speaker of the evening, Miss Faith Wertz, an exchange student who had spent the summer of 1954 in Belgium.

Miss Wertz, the daughter of Attorney Robert Wertz, of Pittsburg, and a student at Winchester, Thurston, a private school in Pittsburg, was sent to Europe, with 366 other young American students, by the American Foreign Service. These students were dedicated to the purpose of obtaining an understanding of the people of other nations by actually living in their homes, and trying to bring about better relations between those people and the people of our own country.

Miss Wertz was first assigned to the home of a wealthy family of the upper middle class, in the southern or French section of Belgium. She lived with them as one of the family, learning other customs and sharing the experiences of the mother, father, and the sons and daughter. Her life there was one of luxury and pleasure.

Her second assignment was with a family in moderate circumstances in the Flemish section, on the Belgian coast.

In this home there was no luxury, and much hard work, but the family treated her with love and kindness.

In both homes she found that the people thought all Americans were millionaires, but that the best way of life was their own way. She tried to correct some of the wrong impressions which the Belgian people had formed from seeing American movies or by the unfavorable conduct of many American tourists.

Miss Wertz said that she and the other exchange students had changed many of their ideas about people in other countries, and that they had developed a profound understanding of some of Europe's problems.
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A social hour followed. Miss Wertz's enlightening talk, after which the meeting adjourned.

Edith Mellinger, Sec.
Because the speaker for the February meeting of A.A.U.W. could not spare the time from his official duties to appear on February 23, the regularly scheduled date for the February meeting, the date was changed to March 4.

The meeting, which was open to the public, was held in the auditorium of the Sanitary Dairy Company. After calling the meeting to order, Mrs. Wertz announced that there would be no business transacted. Mrs. Harry Berkey, of the Social Studies group, introduced the speaker Congressman John Saylor, who gave an enlightened talk on "Lobbies and Pressure Groups" in Washington. Mrs. Saylor said that, while pressure groups still exert a powerful influence on legislation in Congress, there has been a distinct decline in this influence during the last twenty-five years. He attributed this decline to the overlapping of interests among the members of the various lobbies; and to the curbs which have been put on them by congress, so that there are few effective pressure groups in Washington.

Mrs. Saylor then answered fully and graciously all questions which the audience asked.

After a social hour, the president asked the executive committee to remain for a short meeting after the adjournment of the meeting.

Edith Mellinger,
Secretary.
March 23, 1955

The regular meeting of A.A.U.W. was held in the Y.M.C.A. parlors, on Monday, March 23, at 8 p.m. The President Mrs. Wertz, called the meeting to order. Mrs. Henry Pavian introduced the panel acquired for discussion of "Money Management." The panel had for its moderator Mr. Ray Erant from Johnstown Center, University of Pittsburg. Other members of the panel were Mrs. J. P. Nunemaker, Trust Officer United States National Branch, and Mr. J. T. Hemphill, Manager, Johnstown office of A. E. Masten and Co., Brokers.

Mr. Nunemaker spoke on Financial planning for the Future, and Mr. Hemphill pointed out ways to amass wealth. Following the panel discussion and a question period, the president conducted a business meeting.

The minutes of the meetings for January 24 and March 4 were read by Louise Kunkle, in the absence of the secretary, Edith Mellinger. Discussion followed concerning the inclusion in the minutes of details of the program, concluding that the minutes be confined to business transactions only.

The treasurer's report was read and approved. A balance of $518.92 was reported for March 28, 1955.

The president read from the By-Laws concerning elections of officers. The committee chosen for the preparation of a slate of nominees consisted of Mrs. Robert Bowser, chairman, Miss Alice Gocher, and Mrs. Robert McClure.

In the absence of the chairman, Miss Alice Gocher presented the following slate:

1955 is an odd year, and the offices of Vice-President and Treasurer are to be filled. However, since Mrs. Wertz accepted the Presidency last May for one year only, it is necessary to include that office in the slate.

President: Mrs. Daniel Wertz
Vice-President: Mrs. Warren Hinks, Jr.
Treasurer: Mrs. L. R. Finkal.

The slate was approved and accepted. Nominations may be made from the floor at the next meeting.
The president announced the state A.A.U.W. convention in Harrisburg, May 6 and 7. The National A.A.U.W. convention will be held in Los Angeles in the summer. Four delegates from the Johnstown Branch can be eligible to attend that convention.

A discussion of ways to improve the welfare of the club was followed by adjournment. Refreshments were served by the hospitality committee, composed of Mrs. T. K. Saylor, Mrs. J. E. Jungreis, and Miss Josephine Young.

Submitted by,

Louise Hunkle,

Acting Secretary.
April 25, 1955

The regular meeting of A.A.U.W. was held on Monday evening April 25, at the home of Mrs. Russell Yost. The President, Mrs. Wertz called the meeting to order. Mrs. Warren Hinks introduced the speaker of the evening, Mr. Ralph Wherry, of Pennsylvania State University, who spoke on "Family Circles and Protective Insurance."

The business meeting followed. Mr. Wherry's speech. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report was read and accepted.

The election of a vice-president and treasurer was held. The president called for the reading of the names submitted by the nominating committee; for vice-president, Mrs. Warren Hinks, Jr., and for treasurer, Mrs. L. R. Tandall. They unanimously elected, with the secretary casting the ballot. At this time, also, Mrs. Wertz consented to finish her own unexpired term as president of the association.

The president read the program for the state convention of A.A.U.W., to be held in Harrisburg on May 6 and 7. She urged as many members as could do so, to attend the convention. It was moved, seconded, and passed that the expenses of one delegate in addition to the president be paid out of the treasury.

Mrs. Wertz asked for suggestions for projects to be undertaken by the association for creating more interest and better attendance for next year. Four suggestions met with the approval of the members present. These were to back council in their efforts to have fluoridization of the water supply of Johnstown, aid to the Cambria Library, consolidation of the surrounding boroughs with the city of Johnstown, and improvements in the appearance of the city, which was carried with special emphasis on taking some action about the Chapin Memorial Arch and the Edge Hill Highway.

The president called for volunteers to act as chairman for the program and hospitality committees for next year. There were no volunteers for program chairman, but Miss Elizabeth Kunkle and Miss Louise Kunkle volunteered to act jointly as hospitality chairman.

Mrs. McClure made a motion that a committee be appointed by the president to investigate and report on these suggestions. Mrs. Hagerich moved that a committee be appointed to investigate the possibility of acquiring a club house for all the women's clubs of Johnstown, this committee to work in co-operation with the other women's clubs in the district. Mrs. Johnson seconded the motion, which was carried.
April 25, 1955

Following a social half hour in charge of Mrs. Howard Picking, Jr. and Mrs. Mallinson, the meeting adjourned.

Edith Mellinger,
Secretary.
May 21, 1955

The final meeting of A.A.U.W. for the year 1954-55 was held on Saturday afternoon, May 21, at the residence of Mrs. Andrew J. Fisher.

Mrs. C. W. Dressler, the program chairman, introduced the speaker, Miss Ruth Leach, librarian at Cochran Junior High School, who gave an inspiring talk on the best of the current books, and on the outstanding literature of the years between 1900 and 1955.

The business meeting followed, Miss Leach's talk. Mrs. Wertz called for reports of the committees which she had appointed to investigate suggested activities for the year 1955-56. Mrs. Ray Hagorich reported for the committee appointed to contact the other women's clubs in Johnstown concerning the purchase of a Woman's club house. The committee sent out 19 letters, but had received only 4 replies. A joint meeting with other women's organizations, to discuss this project, to be held in September, was suggested.

In discussing this project, it was suggested that since the scholarship fund had been unused for sometime, that that money might be used toward a fund to purchase a building. Miss Molles emphasized that the scholarship fund could not be used for any other purpose.

Mrs. Jindal, who attended the state convention of A.A.U.W. with the president, gave a comprehensive report on the meeting which she attended.

Mrs. William Kittka reported for the committee on suggested activities to be carried out by the local A.A.U.W. Four subjects were reviewed by this committee. Three of these had either received other support, or were not considered feasible. The committee returned a favorable report on a project for aiding the Cambria Free Library. Mrs. David Boag, the chairman of the committee, had interviewed the Librarian, Mr. Hull. He told Mrs. Boag that an addition to the library was being contemplated, and that if that plan could be carried out, the board would appreciate the help of the A.A.U.W.
May 23, 1955

In equipping it. It was moved by Mrs. Kittka and seconded by Miss Leach, that the recommendations be accepted, and that it be financed through activities such as a benefit bridge party, a rummage sale, a strawberry festival, or a library tea.

Mrs. Wertz, the president reported on the State meeting in Harrisburg, and made the following recommendations, all of which were voted on and accepted by the A.A.U.W.:

1. Have two Vice-presidents instead of one to conform with National
   A. External V. P. in charge of membership
   B. Internal U. P. in charge of program
      1. This office progressive the V. P. to move into office of president.

2. Membership-established a committee with external V. P. charge, which will be constantly bringing new members into A.A.U.W.

3. New members are to be sponsored by old members for one year.

4. Each standing committee and the Publicity committee to consist of at least eight members.

5. Each standing committee must meet at least three times a year or once every three months.

6. A thorough discussion of State and National material sent to standing committees with a report of the meeting made to first Board meeting following meeting of standing committee. All necessary information to be brought to the attention of members at first branch meeting following meeting of standing committee.

7. Every member participation.

8. Establishment of Radio and T. V. standing committees to conform with National.


The conclusion of the business meeting, the members were served refreshments by the hospitality committee after which the meeting adjourned.

Edith Mellinger,
Secretary.
The first meeting of A.A.U. W. for the year 1955-56, a dinner meeting was held at the Westmont Dairy Dell on Monday, Sept 26.

Immediately following the dinner, the meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Wertz.

The minutes were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was read and filed for audit.

Various standing committees reported, Miss Moiles chairman of the Scholarship committee, reported that one girl had applied, but that she needed $100.00 more than the fund specified. Miss Moiles moved, and Mrs. Mendenhall seconded the motion, that the club grant the extra $100. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Hinks, reporting for the membership committee, introduced all new members who had joined A.A.U.W. since December 1954.

In the absence of Mrs. Wolfe, Mrs. Pavian said that the Legislative committee had no report.

Miss Moiles, of the International Relations group, suggested that the members of A.A.U.W might be interested in a talk by Mr. Ionescu, at the Southmont High School.

Miss Ellen Kauffmann, chairman of the Education committee, read an invitation to a conference to be held at Jumia College, Huntington, on Saturday, October 9. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the registration fee of $1.00 be paid by the organization for any members who could go to the conference.

Mrs. Tindal's resignation as Treasurer, was read by the Secretary, and was accepted by the members.

Miss Alice Gocher, chairman of the nominating committee, presented the name of Mrs. Winstanley for Treasurer to take the place of Mrs. Tindal, who had been appointed first Vice-president. Miss Evans moved, and Mrs. Hinks seconded the motion, that the members accepted the report of the nominating committee. The motion was carried and Mrs. Winstanley becomes the new Treasurer.
September 26, 1955

An invitation from the Business and Professional Women's club to a conference of women's clubs of Johnstown, was read by the Secretary.

Mrs. Dorothy Haberstroh then introduced the speaker of the evening, Miss Clara Cockerell, Assistant-Superintendent of the Armstrong County schools, after which the meeting adjourned.

Edith Mellinger,
Secretary.
October 24, 1955

The October meeting of A.A.U.W. was held October 24, in the auditorium of the Sanitary Dairy.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Wertz. After the reading of the minutes by the secretary, and the treasurer's report, Mrs. Herbert Davies, Jr., reported for the Social Studies group, which has been conferring with Mr. Hull, Librarian of the Cambria Free library, regarding a library project. The aim at present is to try to obtain the old post office building from the Federal government, for a library. Mrs. Davis pointed out the heavy expense which would be incurred in repairing the old library building. She also brought out the obstacles which the librarian and the library board have encountered in trying to get the Post office building, which is not being used by the Veteran's administration.

Mrs. Warren Hinks, Jr., introduced more new members to A.A.U.W.

Mrs. Ott reported on the Neighborhood conference which was held on October 3, at Juniata College, in Huntingdon.

Mrs. Albert O'Connor, chairman of the Status of Women committee, introduced the speaker of the evening, Mrs. Clyde Bounds, of Windber, who spoke on "The Status of Women."

After refreshments had been served, the meeting adjourned.

Edith Mellinger,
Secretary.
November 28, 1955

The November meeting of A.A.U.W. was held in the auditorium of the Cambria Savings and Loan Company on November 28, 1955.

A small meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Wertz. The minutes were read by the secretary. There were no reports from committee chairmen.

Mrs. Hinks asked for volunteers to help on her membership committee. Mrs. Hinks reported the reinstatement of two former members, and one new member.

Mrs. C. W. Dressler introduced the speaker of the evening, Mr. Ben Coll, of the Johnstown-Tribune-Democrat, who gave a delightful talk on "What's News?"

Refreshments were served following Mr. Coll's talk after which the meeting adjourned.

Edith Meilingер,
Secretary.
The December meeting of A.A.U.W., a luncheon, was held in the ball-room of the Fort Stanwiz Hotel at 1 o'clock, Dec. 10, 1955. More than eighty members and guests sat down at beautifully decorated tables, and were served a delicious lunch which had been planned by Miss Izetta Rhoades, Miss Marguerite Hinchman, Mrs. Harrison Burris, and Miss Alma Stuchell, the hospitality committee.

After the luncheon Mrs. Tindal introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Mrs. Herbert Anderson, State President of A.A.U.W., who spoke on "Why Members of A.A.U.W.?" She also gave a brief account of the White House conference on education.

Following Mrs. Anderson's speech, Mrs. Hinks introduced all of the new members who were present, and presented them with small Christmas corsages.

A short business meeting followed. Mrs. Wertz said that she had had a number of phone calls regarding the kind of refreshments to be served at the regular meetings. After some discussion, Miss Alice Dorris moved, and Mrs. Robert D. Haberstroh seconded the motion, that refreshments consist of tea or coffee and cookies. The motion was carried.

At the request of Mrs. Shupp, the hostess for the January meeting, the members agreed to changing the meeting from January 23 to January 30. The meeting then adjourned.

Edith Mellinger,
Secretary.
January 30, 1956

The regular monthly meeting of A.A.U.W. was held on January 30, 1956, at the home of Mrs. Asher Shupp. Mrs. Shupp herself, gave a brilliant piano recital to a large and appreciative audience.

Following the recital, the business meeting was held. The minutes for November and December were read by the secretary, and approved.

The treasurer, Mrs. Winstanley, gave her report. Mrs. Winstanley requested that all members have their dues paid by December 1, so that she in turn might have the National dues sent in to National headquarters before Jan. 1, 1957. She also reminded the members that any dues received after January 1, will be considered by National to be delinquent, and that there will be a fee of $3.00 for reinstatement.

The secretary read a communication from the Cambria County Heart Association, thanking A.A.U.W. for the contribution of $10, in memory of Miss Jessie Tomb. She also read a letter of thanks from Miss Tomb's family, for the contribution.

Mrs. Haberstroh moved, and Mrs. Aller seconded the motion that a safety deposit box be rented in which to keep important papers and documents. The motion passed.

It was decided that the money from the Scholarship Fund which has been in a checking account, be transferred to the Friendly City Savings and Loan Association.

The A.A.U.W. voted to accept a recommendation by the Social Studies group, that we sponsor a benefit night performance for the Cambria Free Library, by taking a block of 200 seats for a play at the Mountain Playhouse, Jennerstown, preferably in June.

The members voted to buy a Dupli-kit including an addressograph, and post cardograph, which will cost $19.90, less 10%.
January 30 1956

After a discussion, the members voted to have a committee appointed to investigate the possibilities of an Art Forum, similar to the Beth Zion Forum, to be held during 1956-1957.

It was decided that the Johnstown branch will be hostess for the Neighborhood conference to be held early in the fall of 1956.

Mrs. Robert D. Haberstroh reported on the work of the Radio committee. She asked that a representative from A.A.U.W. be sent to a meeting of representatives of the other service clubs of the community; to be held Jan. 31.

A social hour followed the business meeting, after which the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Edith Mellinger,
Secretary
February 27, 1956

The monthly meeting of A.A.U.W. was held on February 27, 1956, at the home of Mrs. Howard Ficking.

Mrs. Tindal, the first vice president, introduced the speaker for the evening, Mr. James Kring, one of Johnstown's outstanding architects, who spoke on "Space in Architecture."

Following Mr. Kring's talk the minutes of the January meeting were read by the secretary, and approved.

In the absence of the treasurer, Mrs. Winstanley, Mrs. Hinks read the treasurer's report. She again read the notice from National headquarters, emphasizing that dues must be in to Washington no later than January 1, and that the local treasurer must have them in her possession by December 1. She also emphasized that any members not having dues paid into Washington by January 1, will be considered delinquent and that a fee of $5 will be charged for reinstatement.

The Radio committee reported that W.J.A.C. has granted free time for a broadcast by the Women's organizations of Johnstown, once a month. The first program, by A.A.U.W., will be on March 9.

Mrs. Brett, chairman of the Fine Arts committee, asked for more time in which her committee may collect additional information relating to conducting as Art Forum. in Johnstown.

The nominating committee reported on their recommendations for officers for the next two years. For First Vice-President, Mrs. Albert O'Connor was nominated, and for secretary, Mrs. Earl Johnson.

It was also recommended that the immediate past president, who will be Mrs. Daniel Wertz, be a member of the executive board.
February 27, 1956

Since the Johnstown branch is to be hostess to the Neighborhood conference next fall, it was decided to have the conference on Saturday, September 22, which will also be the opening meeting for the year 1956-57. There will be a morning session, at which there will be a registration fee of 50 cents for all delegates. Mrs. Marjorie Raab consented to be hospitality chairman.

It was recommended that A.A.U.W. pay for radio time for political broadcasts by candidates for local, county and state office by members of both parties, provided the price is not prohibitive.

It was decided that the scholarship committee review the scholarship program, and present the information to the local branch.

Mrs. Hinks asked that the local branch investigate the possibility of buying plastic frames for holding cards with names of members on them, to be used at each meeting.

Mrs. Brett asked that the members submit names of speakers or performers who might be available for Fine Arts Forum for next year.

Following the business meeting, tea, coffee, and cakes were served, after which the meeting adjourned.

Edith Mellinger,
Secretary.
March 26, 1956

The regular monthly meeting of A.A.U.W. was held on March 26, 1956, at the home of Mrs. Robert J. Haberstroh.

Mrs. Wertz, the president, called the meeting to order, and introduced the speaker of the evening, Mrs. Joseph Bennett. Mrs. Bennett reviewed the book "Party of One," by Clifton Fadiman.

The business meeting followed Mrs. Bennett's book review.

The minutes were read by the secretary, and approved.

In the absence of the treasurer, Mrs. Winstanley, Miss Nancy Brown read the treasurer's report.

The election for the offices for first vice-president and secretary was held. Mrs. Albert O'Connor was elected first vice-president, and Mrs. Earl Johnson was elected secretary.

Mrs. Wertz reported that the play at the Mountain Playhouse would be "The Chalk Garden," and would be held the third Monday evening in June, or June 17.

Mrs. Brett reported that her committee investigating the possibilities of an Art Forum, had contacted the heads of departments of a number of colleges, concerning speakers or performers for the forum. They had, as yet, no definite information about fees and expenses.

It was decided that there should be two speakers for the first forum, and that the fees and expenses be left to the discretion of the committee.

The President complimented the radio committee and the members who took part for the excellent broadcast over W.J.A.C. on March 9.

Mrs. Picking announced that any members interested in a class in ceramics could sign up, and that arrangements could be made to start a class.
March 26, 1956

A motion was made and seconded, that the local branch pay for political broadcasts or advertisements for city, county, state, and federal offices, by candidates from both parties, providing the cost was not prohibitive. Since there was no information concerning the expense of the broadcasts or advertising, available, after some discussion, the motion was tabled.

Mrs. Hinks reported that she had been able to purchase plastic frames for the name cards of the members, at the rate of 100 for $5.00.

The fellowship committee reported that $153 had been paid into the fellowship fund.

It was decided that, since the April meeting was an open meeting, we dispense with refreshments for that meeting.

The hospitality committee served tea, coffee, and cakes, after which the meeting adjourned.

Edith Mollinger,
Secretary.
April 30, 1958

The April meeting of A.A.U.W. held April 30, in the auditorium of the Sanitary Dairy Company, was an open meeting. No business meeting was held.

Mrs. Robert J. Haberstroh introduced the speaker, Mrs. Lillian Budd, author of "April Snow" and "Land of Strangers." Mrs. Budd delighted a large audience of members and their friends with her wit and charm in describing how she writes her books, and her methods of getting them published. Following her talk, she answered questions from the audience.

Mrs. Wertz announced that anyone present could purchase Mrs. Budd's books, and that Mrs. Budd would autograph them, and that she would donate her own profits from the sale of the books to the library fund. Approximately $24.00 was turned over to the association from the sale of the books.

The meeting then adjourned.

Edith Mellinger,
Secretary.
The annual A.A.U.W. tea was held at 1:30 P.M. on Saturday May 12 1956 at the home of Mrs. John Bennet. Mrs. Wertz, the president, called the meeting to order. The secretary read the minutes, which were approved. In the absence of the treasurer, Mrs. Winstanley, the secretary read a brief treasurer's report.

The resignation of Mrs. Tindal, the first vice-president was read and accepted. In her place, Mrs. Joseph Bennet was appointed.

A motion concerning the running of political advertisements next fall prior to the general elections, which had been tabled at the March meeting of A.A.U.W., was brought up. The motion was discussed, but since no one had definite information about the expense of such an undertaking the motion was again tabled. Mrs. William Kittka volunteered to contact the newspapers and radio stations regarding the cost of political advertising.

Because of the enlarged enrollment, it was decided to have an additional secretary. Mrs. Asher Shupp was elected to be recording secretary.

A motion was made and seconded, that the annual dues be raised to $10.00. After much discussion, it was pointed out that the attendance at that meeting was less than half the membership, and it was not fair to take such an important step without consulting the rest of the members. The motion was amended. The amended motion was, to send double postcards to each member to read, "Do you wish to have your dues raised to $10.00?" or "Do you wish to support a number of projects to raise money?" This motion was passed.

The Social Studies Group reported that the tickets for the play at the Mountain Playhouse, to be held June 4, would be $2.10.

The following recommendations by the executive committee were read and passed:

1. Article 3, section 1a
2. Article 3, section 2
3. Article 3, section 3
4. Article 3, section 4, 5, 7
5. The word Association should be substituted for National before treasurer, dues, officers, committees, and headquarters.

The first vice-president shall preside at meetings in the absence of the president, act for her in case of her absence and serve as program chairman. At the end of her term, or the unexpired term of the president, she shall automatically succeed to the presidency. The second vice-president shall serve as membership chairman. She shall receive all applications for membership, check carefully the educational qualifications to determine eligibility for membership or associate membership, and shall forward all applications and dues to the Branch treasurer.

3. Article 4, section 3
4. Article 6

The Board of Directors shall be composed of all the officers, chairmen of the standing committees, and three members at-large from the Branch, to be elected in the odd years.
5 Article 12, section b,4a
Student loans shall not exceed $400.00 annually to each beneficiary, except by a special recommendation from the Branch.
6 Article 12, section b,3a
A motion was made, seconded and passed that the by-laws committee contact the Greater Johnstown District School Board, requesting release from the agreement between the Directors and A.A.U.W., which requires that the committee controlling the Scholarship Fund consist of three members, one of whom must be a teacher in the Johnstown High School so that, instead, this member be a teacher from the secondary schools of the Johnstown area public schools.

Mrs. Wertz announced that there would be an A.A.U.W. Conference at State College on Friday and Saturday, May 25th and 26th and all registrations must be in by May 15th.

A letter from Mrs. Lillian Budd, guest speaker for the April meeting, was read. Approximately $24.00 was turned over to the Association from the sale of Mrs. Budd's book.

Mrs. Haberstroh paid a gracious tribute to Mrs. Wertz, the retiring president, complimenting her on her efficient handling of the office.

After the business meeting, Mrs. Dressler introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Mr. Michael Krajnak, who spoke on "The Romance of Rocks."

Following Mr. Krajnak's talk, refreshments were served by the hospitality committee.
A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. was held at the home of Mrs. Joseph Bennett on Tuesday May 29, 1956 at 8:30 P.M. with the president in the chair and Mrs. Shupp acting as secretary.

The delegates to the Conference of the Penna. Division of A.A.U.W. at State University, May 25 and 26, 1956—Mrs. Joseph Bennett, Mrs. Earl Johnson, Miss Edith Mellinger, Mrs. R.M. Ott, Mrs. Albert O'Connor, Mrs. Robert Shinabarger, Mrs. John Turner and Mrs. Daniel Wertz—reported on the meetings they attended after which Mrs. Wm. F. Kittka moved that a newsletter be sent to each member of A.A.U.W. with information concerning the conference, concerning dues for the coming year and concerning fall events. The motion was seconded and after discussion, passed.

Mrs. Daniel Wertz reported on the results of the postcards sent out concerning dues and moved that Article 3-Sect. 2 of the by-laws be amended to read:

The annual dues of membership shall be eight dollars which shall include three dollars for national dues which includes subscription to the Journal, fifty cents for state dues and the remainder for Branch dues. The annual dues of associate members shall be eight dollars which shall include one dollar and fifty cents for subscription to the Journal, fifty cents for state dues and the remainder for Branch dues.

The motion was seconded and after discussion passed.

Mrs. Warren Hinks moved that Johnstown Branch A.A.U.W. attempt several money making projects to supplement its treasury. The motion was seconded and after discussion passed.

On motion of Mrs. R.M. Ott the meeting adjourned at 10:55 P.M.

Margaret W. Shupp
Recording Secretary
September 8 1956

A special meeting of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. was held at the home of Miss Sophia Moiles at 2:10 P.M. on Saturday September 8 1956 with the president in the chair and Mrs. Shupp acting as secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting—May 12 1956—were read and approved with corrections.

Mrs. Warren Hinks rescinded her motion of that meeting concerning the required selection of a Johnstown High School teacher to the Student Loan committee.

Miss Sophia Moiles, Mrs. Robert Haberstroh and Mrs. Donald Matthews offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, that, in as much as Eleanor Beamersdorfer Trent was the fourth president of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W., it is fitting that the Branch express its sympathy to the family and send a gift to the American Cancer Society in her memory. In the early days of the Branch, her wit, guidance and originality did much to insure the success of the organization.

Resolved, also, that a copy of this resolution shall be recorded in the minutes of the Branch and a copy sent to her family.

The minutes of the Board of Directors meeting—May 29 1956—were read. Mrs. C.W. Dressler moved that the motions there-in concerning dues and supplementary money making projects be adopted. It was seconded and after discussion passed.

Mrs. Everett Custer made a motion, that Article 12 Section A of the By-laws be changed to:— This organization shall maintain a Student Loan Fund, the purpose of which shall be to assist young women to obtain a college education. If there are sufficient funds after all loans to applicants planning to attend accredited colleges are taken care of, then loans may be made to women who are planning to attend colleges not on the approved list. All such loans are to be made on a yearly basis only. That henceforth the name Scholarship Fund be changed to Student Loan Fund in Article 12 of the by-laws of the Johnstown Branch. This was seconded, discussed, amended and passed.

Mrs. R.M. Ott reported on the Conference of the Pennsylvania Division of A.A.U.W. held at Penn State University in May, which report is attached to these minutes.

On motion the meeting adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

[Signature]

[Recording Secretary]
Theme: Today's Challenge for Tomorrow

Registration: Of the 251 delegates, Johnstown, with nine, had one of the larger delegations. (There are now a total of 46 branches in Pa. with over 7000 members)

Notes from the speakers:

Dr. Lawrence Dennis, Provost, Pennsylvania State University, in his speech "The Citizen's Stake in Higher Education" stressed these points: 1. With the increasing recognition of the values of higher education more young people are seeking admission to colleges and universities; 2. a greater number of these prospective students are turning to state schools; 3. these public institutions must provide admission to all who qualify as well as maintain the academic standards of the school; 4. the citizens of Pennsylvania must meet this challenge through adequate financial support of state colleges and universities.

Dr. Grace Henderson, Dean, College of Home Economics, Pennsylvania State University, reported that Pennsylvania colleges and universities do not have adequate facilities for women students, a situation which reflects the attitude of the people in the state. Pennsylvania ranks in the lower third of the states in the proportion of its college-age young women enrolled in college, while it ranks in the upper half of the states in the proportion of men in college.

Dr. Margaret Matson, Assistant professor of Sociology, Pennsylvania State University, pointed out, among other sociological trends in American living, that a new potential working force is developing among women in their forties who, having reared their families, now have time for useful work outside the home.

Committee news from the branches:

Creative arts: new classes in painting and ceramics.

Fellowship: A total of $12,500, largest Fellowship Fund ever to be presented in the Pa. Division; $500 to be given to North Atlantic Region Fund as the Alice Anderson Grant. (Mrs. Anderson is our retiring State Division Pres.) Branches have raised their Fellowship funds through book sales, fashion shows, bridge marathons etc.

Education: establishment of kindergarten in a new community; arranging an "educational caravan" in which high school senior girls were taken on a tour of several colleges in the immediate area, preparing the prospective students for selecting a college; sponsoring a poetry contest throughout city schools and later publishing the poetry in a booklet for children and their parents to buy.

International relations: study topics in communism, individual liberties, world religions.

Radio-TV: panel discussions by civic groups (similar to Johnstown's programs); "Let's read Program" using school children who have read books from a reading list set up at the beginning of the school year by the branch ed. comm.

Scholarship: examination of local scholarship program; holding panel discussions on the pros and cons of scholarship and loan funds; presenting $50 gifts to outstanding senior girls.

Social studies: many branches studying mental health; study of money management and making actual investments (good ones too, much to husbands' surprise).
October 22 1956

The regular meeting of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. was held at the home of Mrs. Russell Yost at 8:10 P.M. on Monday October 1956 with the president in the chair and Mrs. Shupp acting as secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting September 8 1956 were read and approved.

Mrs. Albert O'Connor Jr., chairman of the Program Committee reported on the North Central Conference, Pennsylvania Division of the American Association of University Women, held in Johnstown September 22 1956, which report is attached to these minutes.

Mrs. Harry W. Berkey moved that whereas the correspondence and arrangements for the Neighborhood Conference were of such magnitude, that a vote of thanks for work well-done be given to Mrs. O'Connor and her committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

Miss Gertrude Lake moved that $10.00 be the amount sent to the Cancer Fund in memory of Mrs. A.S. Trent, fourth president of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. This was seconded and passed unanimously.

Mrs. Wm. F. Kittka moved that a letter be sent to Ed. Jordan, columnist of The Johnstown Tribune Democrat for the excellent biographical sketches in his column "Cross Town Politics". The motion was seconded and passed.

Mrs. Wm. Kittka moved that the educational film strip used in the program following this business meeting be given to the Johnstown High School in return for the use of their projector. This was seconded and passed.

The business portion of the meeting ended at 9:00 P.M.

Marguerite W. Shupp
Recording Secretary
Fall Neighborhood Conference - September 22, 1956

Attendance:

Altoona 8
Connellsville 0
DuBois 0
Huntingdon 0
Indiana 3
Johnstown 33
Lewistown 3
State College 4
Washington 2
Board Members 16

Total 71

Finances:

Total Received $207.87
Total Expenses $207.87
Financial Statement

Receipts:
71 Dinner Reservations @ $2.25  $159.75
73 Registration Fees $.50  36.50
Contribution by Host Branch  11.62
Total Receipts  $207.87

Expenses:
Conference Luncheon  $135.00
Church Rental  10.00
Honorarium to Dr. David  10.00
Hotel Bill and Friday Night Dinner for Mrs. Lytle, Regional Vice President  9.77
Flowers and Boutineerres for Speakers and Chairman  13.80
Telegrams  2.60
Postage and Mailing  2.97
Nuts for Luncheon  2.70
Penna. Sales Tax  2.03
Programs  19.00
Total Expenses  $207.87

Mrs. Albert O'Connor
Conference Chairman
AAUW Conference - Johnstown - 1956

"Buzz" Groups

Group I - Those whose surnames begin with letters A thru E.

Mrs. C. S. Coll - Altoona - Leader
Mrs. Daniel Wertz - Johnstown - Recorder

Group II - Those whose surnames begin with letters F thru L

Mrs. Paul Kendig - State College - Leader
Mrs. L. H. Schnell - Indiana - Recorder

Group III - Those whose surnames begin with letters M thru R.

Mrs. R. M. Ott - Johnstown - Leader
Mrs. Robert Steele - Lowistown - Recorder

Group IV - Those whose surnames begin with letters S thru Z.

Mrs. S. M. Sherwood - Washington - Leader
Mrs. Arthur Pollack - Altoona - Recorder

Questions for Leaders in Buzz Sessions to Use in Groups.

1. Is our membership policy correct?
2. Is our legislative program effective?
3. Is the A. A. U. W. purpose right?
4. What A. A. U. W. means to me?
5. What A. A. U. W. means to the community?
6. How can we develop more awareness in A. A. U. W.?
7. How can we develop greater attendance at conference meetings, etc?
First Presbyterian Church
Johnstown, Pennsylvania

September 22, 1956

THEME: THE FUTURE - PRODUCT OF OUR CHOICE

9:00 - 9:45 - Registration and Coffee Hour

9:45 - 10:30 - Opening Session

Welcome - Johnstown Branch President, Mrs. Joseph B. Bennett

Response - State President
Mrs. J. C. Tongren

Recognition of Regional Vice President
Mrs. W. C. Lythle
Other Pennsylvania Officers and Chairmen

Announcements - Mrs. A. L. O'Connor
Conference Chairman

10:30 - 11:15 - Speaker - Mrs. Derrick Sherman,
Past President, New York Division, AAUW

11:15 - 11:45 - Workshops on Conference Theme

The Delegates will be divided alphabetically into four groups. Each group will use an identical set of questions, all based upon the speaker's subject.

The workshop leaders and recorders, furnished by the participating branches, will be seated at the same luncheon table in order to prepare one comprehensive report.

11:50 - 12:45 - Branch Problems and Projects
Speakers from each branch assigned by Committee.
(3 minutes each)

1:00 - 1:15 - Luncheon
2:00 - 2:15 - Summarization of results of morning workshop by
Mrs. Derrick Sherman

2:15 - 3:00 - Speaker - Dr. Kathleen David -
"At School in India"
Foreign Policy Association of
University of Pittsburgh

3:00 - Adjournment

\[ \frac{73}{50} - \frac{225}{36.50} \]

Registration Fee - $0.50
Dinner - 2.25
\[ \frac{36.50}{225} \]
\[ \frac{71}{2.25} = \frac{1575}{159.75} \]

Please make reservations by September 14, 1956 - cut on dotted line
and return with check to - Reservation Chairman -

Mrs. Earl W. Johnson
1027 Pomona Drive
Johnstown, Pennsylvania

Name _____________________________________________

Name of Branch ___________________________________
Dear Mrs. O'Connor:

Your neighborhood conference was such an excellent one and I was so glad to be present. Your plans for both the board meeting and the all day session were most thorough.

For my report will you please send me a summary by branches of the conference - numbers attending expenses, summary of the day's program and any comments you may have.

Sept. 25, 1956

Mrs. Andrew Marshall 2nd
1837 Arlington Street
Bethlehem, Pennsylvania
which negates help a future chairman.
I’d appreciate this as soon as you can send it. Please send a copy of the program for the files too.

Thanking you, Sincere,

[Signature]

(Mrs. Andrew Marshall)
Mrs. Derrick Sherman.

Mrs. Sherman told of the results of questionnaires send out by the Survey Committee. The purpose of which was to stir up not only the leaders but the entire membership of the branches.

The object of the A.A.U.W. has always been to further the education of all women and men for high standards. Work for the future was to be evaluated from the results of the questionnaires. Such results were:

27,000 were received from 65,000 sent out.

Average age of A.A.U.W. members 27 to 49 yrs.

Slightly over half of members are gainfully employed, one half of which, in educational field.

A new member who has been a member only 5 years apt to drop if for 10 years, then apt to stick for longer.

Reasons for joining were given as for study, for intellectual growth to meet with special people.

Over half of the members answering did not feel A.A.U.W. was the thing they were most interested in.

Main interest of members replying was arts, & education.

Present membership of A.A.U.W. branches only 10% of time available.

Mrs. Sherman gave the following topics for discussion in the Branches and possible action to the National Committee:

1. Question of studying standards of education.

2. Elimination of any future admonitions of associate members.

Admitting professional women as doctors, lawyers, engineers.
even though course not accredited

2. More emphasis on the responsibility and membership of educational orientation to the aims of AAUW and service to community.

More quality than quantity.

3. Possibility of existing convention every 3 years with the lesser sharing the expense of sending a delegate from each branch with the Branch. Also that a branch might be dropped which did not send a delegate.

4. New concept of programs by having a choice of 2 or 3 programs submitted at the Convention. The first year each Branch would write and submit its own program, select it and implement it. The second year it would implement it and the third year to work to implement it.

Mr. Sherman felt this might be worthwhile because it could be a contribution to the country at large. It would be beyond what the branches are now doing and it would be stimulating not only to branches but to the whole community and would make AAUW a leader in the community. To accomplish this we should be willing to stick our necks out.

Mildred S. Singh
November 30 1956

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. was held at the Sanitary dairy Franklin Street on Friday November 30 1956 at 10:05 P.M. with the president in the chair and Mrs. Asher Shupp acting as secretary.

The president presented the budget of the Johnstown Branch for 1956-57, which is herewith attached.

Mrs. Albert O'Connor Jr. moved the budget be adopted and sent to the state treasurer as requested. The motion was seconded discussed and passed.

On motion of Mrs. Wm. F. Kittka the meeting adjourned at 10:20 P.M.

Marguerite W. Shupp
Recording secretary
December 15 1956

The regular meeting of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. was held at the Fort Stanwix Hotel on Saturday December 15 1956 with the president in the chair and Mrs. Shupp acting as secretary. The reading of the October minutes was dispensed with. The treasurer's report was read and ordered filed for audit. The minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors held on November 30 1956 were read.

Miss Mary Glenn moved that the budget recommended at that meeting for 1956-57 be adopted. This motion was seconded and passed.

Mrs. Gerald Devaux, chairman of the International Relations Committee reported that a one-day seminar for University women would be held on January 15 1957 at the United Nations; also that she had received a letter from A.A.U.W. headquarters asking for help for Hungarian University women in need. Mrs. DeVaux moved that a voluntary collection be taken and used for this purpose. It was seconded and passed.

The business portion of the meeting adjourned at 2:55 P.M. at which time Mrs. Albert O'Connor, program chairman took charge.

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Margaret M. Shupp  
Recording Secretary
January 28 1957

A special meeting of the Board of Directors was held at 7:30 Monday January 28 1957 at the Y.W.C.A. with the president in the chair and Mrs. Shupp acting as secretary.

The November minutes were read and approved.

No December meeting was held.

After discussion Miss Moiles moved that a Nominating Committee of Mrs. Warren Hinks, chairman, Mrs. Daniel Wertz and Miss Edith Mellinger be appointed to submit names for 2nd Vice-president, Treasurer and three members of the Board of Directors who are to be chosen from the membership at large. This motion was seconded and passed.

The president appointed Miss Alice Gocher and Mrs. Robert Haberstroh to present resolutions for a memorial for Miss Gertrude lake and Mrs. Lawrence Lindley deceased members of the Johnstown Branch, to be presented at the February meeting.

Miss Sophie Moiles moved that Mrs. Earl Johnson type and put in order past minutes with Miss Mellinger as auditor. This motion was seconded and passed.

Mrs. Daniel Wertz moved that as a money making scheme for the future a second-hand book sale be considered. This motion was discussed seconded and passed.

The president appointed Miss Sophie Moiles chairman and Mrs. John W. Turner asst. chairman to consider ways and means of accomplishing this and report.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00.

Margaret M. Shupp
Recording Secretary
January 28 1957

The regular meeting of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. was held at the Y.W.C.A. on Monday January 28 1957 with the president in the chair and Mrs. Shupp acting as secretary.

The October minutes were read and approved.
The December minutes were read and approved.
There was no November business meeting.
The treasurer's report was read and ordered filed for audit.
Miss Sophia Moiles reported for the International Relations Committee on the project of help for Hungarian women who are members of I.F.U.W., which report is attached to these minutes.

Announcement of a Nominating Committee chosen by the Board of Directors was as follows:-

Chairman-Mrs Warren Hinks Jr.
Mrs. Daniel Wertz
Miss Edith Mellinger

Also announced that the Board of Directors had passed a motion asking that a speaker from Lee Hospital be asked to speak at the February meeting on the future plans of the hospital.
Also announced that the Board of Directors had passed a motion directing Mrs. Earl Johnson to type and put in order past minutes with Miss Edith Mellinger as auditor.
Also announced that the Board of Directors had passed a motion that a second-hand book sale be considered as a means of raising money
Miss Sophia Moiles, chairman and Mrs. John Turner, ass't chairman were appointed to study and means of accomplishing this and report.

Mrs. William Kittka made a motion that the Legislative Committee prepare a resolution to support President Eisenhower's request for authority to create a commission to conduct a broad national inquiry into our financial system. This resolution to be presented in May for the approval of the Johnstown Branch. This was seconded and passed.

The business portion of the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

[Signature]
Margaret M. Shupp
Recording Secretary
January 28 1957

Report: International Relations Committee

Mrs. Gerald Devaux received a letter from National Headquarters A.A.U.W. asking that we consider making a contribution to International Federation of University Women for the benefit of Hungarian refugees who are members of I.F.U.W. For this cause Twenty-five Dollars were collected. A letter of thanks was received from Blanche Hegg Hoffst Convenor Relief Committee, Berne, Switzerland.

Sophie Moiles, co-chairman
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Income from annual dues —— $1184.00
February 25 1957

The regular meeting of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W was held at the residence of Mrs. George Matthews on Monday February 25 1957 at 8:30 P.M. with the president in the chair and Mrs. Shupp acting as secretary.

The January minutes were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was read and ordered filed for audit.

The Resolutions Committee reported and it was moved, seconded and unanimously passed that the resolutions as read be accepted and inserted in the minutes. Also that a copy be sent to the surviving relatives of Miss Gertrude Lake and Mrs. Lawrence Lindley and a donation made to the Cancer Fund and the Heart Fund in their memory. Copies of the resolutions are attached to these minutes.

Mrs. Daniel Wertz reported for the Nominating Committee as follows:

Second vice-president-----Mrs. Ray Hagerich
Treasurer-----------------Mrs. Don Hershberger
Members-at-large on the
Board of Directors--------Mrs. Paul Aller
                         Mrs. C.W. Dressler
                         Mrs. Frank Barnhart

Mrs. Albert O'Connor moved that the report be accepted.
The motion was seconded and passed.
The business portion of the meeting adjourned at 9:00.

[Signature]
Recording Secretary
RESOLUTION ON THE DEATH OF GERTRUDE LAKE

Gertrude Lake devoted most of her life to the schools and to the community welfare of Johnstown. Her loyalty, sincerity, and love for her work will long serve as ideals for those who come after her. As teacher and supervisor of art she was loved and esteemed by all the pupils and teachers who came under her influence.

In the community her devout Christian spirit was manifest in her giving unstintingly of her aid to her church, the American Bible Society, and the Young Women’s Christian Association. Long a member of the Johnstown Art League and of the Johnstown Branch of the American Association of University Women, she could always be counted upon to lend her experience and guidance whenever needed.

Gertrude Lake was modest and dignified but had a keen sense of humor. She enjoyed life, and she particularly enjoyed going out of her way to be kind and helpful, especially to elderly people. Her sympathy, kindness, and thoughtfulness of others were among her most outstanding qualities.

Be it therefore resolved that, on the occasion of her death on December 25, 1956, the Johnstown Branch of the American Association of University Women extend to her relatives its most sincere sympathy, and, in her memory, make a contribution to the Heart Fund.
Whereas the Johnstown Branch of the American Association of University Women is grieved at the death of Carlotta Rishell Lindley, a beloved member, and wishes to honor her especially,

Be it resolved: that this statement of sorrow be sent to her husband, Mr. Lawrence E. Lindley and to her sisters Mrs. Nevin J. Smith and Mrs. Minter M. Ott, both members of the Branch. Mrs. Lindley, who was a charter member, will be remembered as faithfully attending the meetings for many years. She served at one time as secretary. Her cheerful presence gave encouragement to all who endeavored to promote the welfare of the Association.

Be it resolved: that a gift of ten dollars be sent to the American Cancer Society in her memory.

Be it also resolved: that this statement be entered into the minutes of this meeting.

Dorothea J. Haberstroh
Mirriam Cassel Matthews
March 25, 1957

The regular meeting of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. was held at the Cambria Building and Loan room on Monday March 25, 1957 at 9:25 P.M. with the president in the chair and Mrs. Shupp acting as secretary.

The February minutes were read and approved.

In the absence of the treasurer, her report was read by the president and ordered filed for audit.

Mrs. R. E. Hagerich reported on the Bridge Benefit held by the Bridge Section which report is attached to these minutes.

Mrs. Wm. F. Kittka moved that the following resolution: That the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. recommend support of President Eisenhower's commission to conduct a broad national inquiry into our financial system, be adopted and sent to Mrs. Ann E. Meikle, Division Legislative Chairman. This was seconded and passed.

The names presented by the Nominating Committee were read. Additional nominees from the floor were requested. As none were made, Mrs. Albert O'Connor moved that the nominations be closed and the secretary cast the ballot. This was seconded and passed. The president declared the following persons elected:

Mrs. R. E. Hagerich---------Second Vice-president
Mrs. Don Hershberger--------Treasurer
Mrs. Paul Aller
Mrs. C. W. Dressler
Mrs. Frank Barnhart-------Members-at-large on the Board of Directors

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Margaret M. Shupp
Reading Secretary
Report of Bridge Benefit

A Bridge Benefit was sponsored by the Bridge Section of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W on February 8, 1957 at the Fort Stanwix Hotel.

Tickets were One Dollar each.
Chocolate eclairs and coffee were served.
Table prizes were philodendron in containers.
Thirty-eight door prizes were donated by merchants of Johnstown.

Following is the financial report:

Receipts
Cash from tickets sold—$291.00
Cash from donations—76.45
Total cash received—$367.45

Expenses
Prizes—$37.50
Hotel—$105.00
Waitresses—$20.00
Printing tickets—$3.50
Total expenses paid—$166.10
Profit—$201.35

All bills are paid and the accounts audited.

At the March meeting of the Bridge Section, after discussion the three following motions were made, seconded and passed:

First, that $15.00 be given to the Fine Arts Group of the Johnstown Branch to help pay for incidental expenses connected with the Art Forum.

Second, that $100.00 be given to the Fellowship Fund of A.A.U.W.

Third, that the remainder, $86.35 be given to the Johnstown Branch toward obtaining an outstanding speaker in his field for an open meeting sometime in 1957-58.

In conclusion: the Bridge Section undertook this project for this year in order to make the community more aware of the importance and purposes of A.A.U.W. It is recommended that it not be repeated yearly because of the generous response and donations from the merchants of Johnstown.

The success of this event was due to the untiring efforts of the committee and the support given by members and friends of the Johnstown Branch.

Committee
Mrs. Robert Pringle
Miss Alice Cocher
Miss Margaret Evans
Mrs. H. H. Mallinson
Mrs. Stanley Kocher
Mrs. William Kittka
Mrs. J. M. Bowes
Mrs. Harrison Burris
Mrs. Asher P. Shupp
Mrs. Ray Hagerich—Chairman

A communication from A.A.U.W. quoting a ruling of the Internal Revenue Department that it is necessary to collect a 10% admission tax on all admissions over 50 cents for any function held to benefit the A.A.U.W. Fellowship Fund, made it necessary to reduce the amount given to the Branch toward expenses of a speaker for 1957-58 by $26.19. This amount was paid to the District Director of Internal Revenue by the Branch treasurer. A copy of this ruling is in the treasurer's files.
A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. was held at the Sanitary Dairy, Franklin Street on Monday April 22 1957 at 7:15 P.M. with the president in the chair and Mrs. Acher Shupp acting as secretary.

After discussion concerning the National Convention to be held in Boston in June, Mrs. Albert O'Connor, Jr. moved that the Johnstown Branch send a delegate to the convention to be given $80.00 from the treasury towards her expenses. This motion was seconded and passed.

Mrs. John Turner moved that the Johnstown Branch give a Memorial gift of $10.00 to the Fellowship Fund in honor of Ivy Weaver. This motion was seconded and passed.

Mrs. John Brett moved that effective immediately, the policy of the Johnstown branch will be to give a Memorial gift of $5.00 to A.A.U.W. Fellowship Fund in the event of the death of any member. This motion was seconded and passed.

Mrs. R. M. Ott moved that Mrs. Albert Doyle, publicity chairman, send a letter of thanks to the Tribune-Democrat for the generous publicity extended to the Johnstown Branch during the past year. This motion was seconded and passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

[Signature]
Recording Secretary
The regular meeting of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W. was held at the Sanitary Dairy, Franklin Street on Monday April 22 1957 at 8:05 P.M. with the president in the chair and Mrs. Asher Shupp acting as secretary.

The March minutes were read and approved.

In the absence of the treasurer, Mrs. Warren Hinks, Jr. read the financial report which was ordered filed for audit.

The motions passed by the Board of Directors were read.

Mrs. C.W. Dressler moved approval of the motion to send a delegate from the Branch to the Boston Convention, paying $80.00 toward her expenses from the treasury. This motion was seconded and passed.

Mrs. Howard Picking, Jr. moved approval of the motion to provide a Memorial gift of $10.00 to the Fellowship Fund in honor of Miss Ivy Weaver deceased. This motion was seconded and passed.

Mrs. Warren Hinks, Jr. moved approval of the motion that effective immediately, the policy of the Johnstown Branch will be to give a Memorial gift of $5.00 to the Fellowship Fund in case of the death of any member. This motion was seconded and passed.

The business portion of the meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Margaret M. Shupp
Reading Secretary
May 25, 1957

The regular meeting of the Johnstown Branch of A.A.U.W was held at the home of Miss Margaret Cauffield, 412 Coleman Ave., on Saturday May 25, 1957 at 2:05 P.M. with the president in the chair and Mrs. Earl W. Johnson acting as secretary in the absence of Mrs. Asher Shupp. The April minutes were read and approved.

In the absence of the treasurer, Mrs. Daniel Wertz read the financial report which was filed for audit.

Mrs. Don L. Hershberger stated payment of $8.00 dues now payable - financial year beginning July first.

OLD BUSINESS - Miss Margaret Evans read memorial to Miss Ivy Weaver. Motion made to accept memorial and send it to Miss Weaver's family.

Second hand book sale will be first pay week in October at the Glessner Furniture Store.

Mrs. Earl W. Johnson will have newly revised minutes completed in the near future.

Mrs. Albert F. Doyle will see that the Tribune-Democrat receives a note of thanks for the generous publicity extended our Branch.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES -

Creative Arts - Mrs. John Brett reported on the Fine Arts Forum and made recommendations that a new group be formed. A paper was passed around to the members who would be interested in forming such a group.

Hospitality - Mrs. Raab praised committee members of this year for their outstanding work and made recommendations for next year.

International Relations - Mrs. Gerald Devaux commented on this year's events.

Legislation and Status of Women - Announcement was made that these two committees will be dissolved at the Boston Convention.

Membership - Mrs. Warren Hinks, Jr. news and events of members. 151 members to date.

Social Studies - Playhouse outing June 15th with dessert afterwards.

Program - Mrs. Albert O'Connor reported on the year's program and made recommendations.

Branch Chairmen were announced for next year as follows:

Creative Arts - Mrs. John Brett
Mrs. J. Ellery Michaud
Education - Mrs. R. M. Ott
Miss Elizabeth Will
Fellowship - Mrs. John Turner
Mrs. Wm. Popyk
Finance - Mrs. Don L. Hershberger
Hospitality - Mrs. Robert Pringle
International Relations - Mrs. Gerald Devaux
Miss Sophy Moiles
Legislation - Mrs. William F. Kittka
Mrs. Francis Barnhafer
Bridge Group - Mrs. Robert Pringle

Announcement of Current Events luncheon at the home of Mrs. Schuch.

Mrs. Daniel Wertz was unanimously accepted as a delegate to the Boston Convention.

Guests were introduced and greeted.

Mrs. Albert O'Connor, Jr. introduced Dr. Katharine Reiser, History
Ivy M. Weaver

WHEREAS, Ivy M. Weaver, a member of the Johnstown Branch of the American Association of University Women, was summoned to her eternal reward on April 7, 1957, and

WHEREAS, Ivy M. Weaver, a graduate of Grove City College and the University of Pittsburgh; a member of the Wednesday Study Club; and having rendered faithful service to the teaching profession, the last twenty-six years of her career spent in the Latin and English department of the Cochran Junior High School, be it

RESOLVED, that the Johnstown Branch of the American Association of University Women hereby give formal expression of its grievous loss in the death of its beloved member, by contributing the sum of ten dollars to the Fellowship Fund as a tribute to the memory of Ivy M. Weaver, and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be tendered to the family of Ivy M. Weaver as an expression of the members' heartfelt sympathy.

Resolution adopted on ..............
by the Johnstown Branch of the American Association of University Women.

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REPORT ON ACTIVITIES OF
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS GROUP
JOHNSTOWN BRANCH A. A. U. W.
for 1956 - 1957

MEETINGS

International Relations Group of the Johnstown Branch held nine meetings the second Tuesday of each month beginning in August, 1956. Eleven meetings had been planned but it was decided to discontinue the May and June meetings, and possibly resume in July or August. An average of eleven members attended each meeting.

SUBJECTS

Our subjects were on current events, with emphasis on problems of the Middle East.

MEMBERS

All members took active part in the discussions. About twenty members are enrolled. New ones were added in 1956 and 1957 and most of them will probably be with the group for the fall meetings.

JANUARY REGULAR BRANCH MEETING

This meeting was arranged by the International Relations Group. Mr. Forrest Leffler, teacher in the Johnstown High School System, who had been a Fulbright scholar, spoke on conditions in Greece. He was introduced by Miss Sophia Moiles, co-chairman of International Relations Group.

HUNGARIAN RELIEF

At the Christmas meeting of the Branch letters from Dr. Laura Bornholdt, national chairman, International Relations, were read. One of them contained a plea for relief of Hungarian University Women, signed by Mlle. Jeanne Chaton, President of International Federation of University Women, and by Madame B. Hegg-Hoffet, Convener.
Members of the Johnstown Branch generously contributed $25. This sum was sent to Mme. Hegg-Hoffet at the headquarters in Berne, Switzerland. Letters were written to Dr. Bornholdt and to Mme. Hegg-Hoffet and appreciative acknowledgments were received from both of them.

PLANS FOR 1957 - 1958

The group plans to resume meetings in the late summer or early fall.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Devaux
Chairman of International Relations Group

Miss Sophia Moiles, the co-chairman, is absent in Europe.

May 31, 1957
To: Mrs. John Bennett, President, Johnstown Branch A.A.U.W.  
From: Mrs. William Kittka, Legislation Chairman  
       Mrs. Frank Barnhart, Co-Chairman of Legislation  

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<td>10-22-56</td>
<td>A.A.U.W Branch Program--AMERICAN POLITICAL PARTIES AND POLITICS**Introduced with a panel discussion. Concluded with four book reviews on the subject. Designed as a &quot;Get out the vote&quot; incentive. Film strip donated to Johnstown Senior High School.</td>
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<td>Mailed a letter to Lucille Rivers of the New York Times giving as evaluation of the material used in the meeting.</td>
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<td>Mailed a letter to the editor of the Johnstown Tribune Democrat expressing appreciation for the column entitled &quot;Crossroad Politics&quot;. This letter was published.</td>
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<td>11-26-56</td>
<td>Distributed a resume of A.A.U.W. legislative action for the previous year to the chairman of standing committees. Distributed explanatory notes on the issues to be resolved in the 86th Congress to the President and Chairmen of Standing Committees. Urged the membership to support Federal Inspection of Poultry legislation.</td>
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<td>12-15-56</td>
<td>Congressman John Saylor explained his opposition to the Federal Aid to School Construction Bill to the membership upon the request of the President, Mrs. Joseph Bennett.</td>
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<td>2-2-57</td>
<td>Presented a comparison of A.A.U.W. legislative program aims to the aims expressed in President Eisenhower's State of the Union Message to the membership. Reviewed the actions of the first session of the 86th Congress to the membership.</td>
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<td>3-28-57</td>
<td>Mailed a communication to State Assembly representatives from this district urging them not to cut appropriations earmarked for Mental Health programs.</td>
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<td>4-12-57</td>
<td>Presented a resolution concerning President Eisenhower's request for authority to create a commission to conduct a broad national inquiry into our financial system. This resolution was approved by the membership and was forwarded to Mrs. Ann E. Meikle, Division Legislative Chairman.</td>
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S. Patricia Kittka
MEMBERSHIP REPORT 1956-57

1955-56 Membership 154; 141 regular, 13 associate
1956-57 Membership 161; 138 regular, 13 associate

Losses:

Deaths: 1 regular, Jessie Tomb
Transfers: 3 regular, Mrs. L.R. Tindal
Mrs. R. Shinabarger
Mrs. R. Baker
Delinquent: 2 regular, Mrs. R.D. Haberstroh
Mrs. Ellen Kauffman Weaver
Resigned: 12 regular, Patty Adair
Martha Bailey
Mrs. J. Cotchen
Mrs. R. Grove
Mrs. D. James
Margaret Lambert
Mrs. H.C. MacWilliams, Jr.
Mrs. V. Seachrist
Mrs. R. Shaffer
Josephine Young
Kathleen Meehan
Mrs. C. Beerman

1 associate Mrs. E. Greenwood
Miss Elizabeth Patete elevated her status from associate to regular.

Gains:

Reinstatement: 1 regular, Martha Schwing
New Members: 13 regular, Mrs. L. Burnett
Mrs. M. Friedman
Mrs. J. Graham
Mrs. R. Greene
Mrs. H. Jarrett
Mrs. H. Maxwell
Carol McFeatters
Alta Thomas
Elvira Thomas
Mrs. J. Thornton
Mrs. C. Wingard
Mrs. W. Zeller
Mrs. L. Coppersmith

2 associate
Mrs. J. Kaites
Mrs. K. Finley

1955-56 Losses
141 regular
13 associate
154 total
18 "
122 "
Gains 15 "
11 "
134 "
154 total
17 "
151 "
2 associate

Submitted by
Surrette L. Knipe, Vice-president of Membership
Report of the Chairman of Program Committee


The following is a report of the meetings and programs held each month from September, 1956, through May, 1957.

1. Saturday - September 22, 1956. The Annual Conference of the North Central Neighborhood of the Pennsylvania Branch was held in the First Presbyterian Church, Johnstown. The Conference was attended by 90 delegates from the area. It began at 10:00 a.m. and terminated at 3:00 p.m. Mrs. O'Connor was chairman of the conference. A program is attached to this report.

2. Monday, October 22, 1956. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Russell Yost. The program consisted of a Panel Discussion on the Subject of "American Political Parties and Politics." Mrs. William Kittka was Chairman for the program.

3. Friday - November 30, 1956. This program was held in the Sanitary Dairy Auditorium. Speaker for the program was Mrs. A. S. Stuebing, Joseph Horne Consultant, whose subject as Holiday Decorations. Mrs. Stuebing showed arrangements for seven tables. This was probably the best program of the year.

4. Saturday - December 15, 1956. The Annual Christmas Party was held at the Fort Stanwix Hotel. Participating in the program was the Chorus of Adams-Summerhill Joint High School directed by Miss Marian Kring; Hon. John P. Saylor, Representative in Congress, who spoke on the subject of federal aid to education; and Miss Ethel Dickson who told a number of Christmas stories. This program was under the chairmanship of Mrs. Joseph Bennett.

5. Monday - January 28, 1957. This program was held in the social room of the YWCA under the chairmanship of Miss Sophia Moles. The subject was international relations. Speaker for the evening was Forrest Leffler, teacher in the Johnstown schools, who had taught in Greece as a participant in the Fulbright Scholarship program.
6. Monday, February 25, 1957. The program was held at the home of Mrs. George C. Matthews under the chairmanship of Mrs. Alfred R. Custer. The subject for the program was Civilian Defense. Mrs. Gweneth Zarfoss, Coordinator, Emergency Welfare Services, State Council of Civil Defense, spoke on the subject of "How to Arrange Groups to Teach Defense.

7. Monday - March 25, 1957. This program was held at the Cambria Savings and Loan Association Auditorium under the chairmanship of Mrs. Albert O'Connor. Miss Lillian Larson of Pennsylvania State University was originally scheduled to address the meeting. Last minute circumstances forced cancellation of her talk and Dr. George Walter, Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Pittsburgh, addressed the meeting on the subject of Juvenile Delinquency. This program was well received.

8. Monday - April 22, 1957. This program was held in the Sanitary Dairy Auditorium. Mr. Henry Rockwood, Chief Meteorologist, Weather Bureau, Pittsburgh, spoke on "How our weather picture is changing."

9. Saturday - May 25, 1957. This program was held at the home of Miss Margretta Cauffiel. This is the Annual Tea. Speaker was Dr. Kathryn Reiser who gave excerpts from a book which she is about to publish. The chairman for this meeting was Mrs. Albert O'Connor.

**Recommendation**

In as much as our budget is limited, it is almost impossible to have a varied program that can measure up to the standards of an association consisting of college graduates. It is my recommendation that, since the club is divided into committees dealing with a number of phases of interest, each should sponsor a program suitable to their committee and that the Program Chairman should act as a coordinator in clearing dates and eliminating conflicts that might result.

If we are to be a constructive force in our community, it is our responsibility to provide programs that, not only coincide with our ideals, but might add to the cultural life of the community. This can better be accomplished by the cooperation of all chairman of committees, rather than the discretion of one person.

(Mrs. Katheryn C. O'Connor
Chairman, Program Committee
NORTH CENTRAL NEIGHBORHOOD CONFERENCE  
PAHNSLIVANIA DIVISION  
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN

First Presbyterian Church  
Johnstown, Pennsylvania  

September 22, 1956  

THEME: THE FUTURE — PRODUCT OF OUR CHOICE  

9:00 — 9:45  —  Registration and Coffee Hour  

9:45 — 10:30  —  Opening Session  

Welcome — Johnstown Branch President,  
Mrs. Joseph B. Bennett  

Response — State President  
Mrs. J. C. Tongren  

Recognition of Regional Vice President  
Mrs. W. C. Lytle  
Other Pennsylvania Officers and Chairmen  

Announcements — Mrs. A. L. O'Connor  
Conference Chairman  

10:30 — 11:15  — Speaker — Mrs. Derrick Sherman,  
Past President, New York Division, AAUW  

11:15 — 11:45  — Workshops on Conference Theme  

The Delegates will be divided alphabetically into  
four groups. Each group will use an identical set  
of questions, all based upon the speaker’s subject.  

The workshop leaders and recorders, furnished by  
the participating branches, will be seated at the  
same luncheon table in order to prepare one  
comprehensive report.  

11:50 — 12:45  — Branch Problems and Projects  
Speakers from each branch assigned by Committee.  
(3 minutes each)  

1:00 — 1:45  — Luncheon
2:00 - 2:15  - Summarization of results of morning workshop by Mrs. Derrick Sherman
2:15 - 3:00  - Speaker - Dr. Kathleen David - "At School in India"
              Foreign Policy Association of University of Pittsburgh
3:00  - Adjournment

Registration Fee  -  $ .50
Dinner             - 2.25

$2.75

Please make reservations by September 14, 1956 - cut on dotted line
and return with check to - Reservation Chairman -

Mrs. Earl W. Johnson
1027 Pomona Drive
Johnstown, Pennsylvania

Name _____________________________________________________________

Name of Branch ___________________________________________________
Group I - Those whose surnames begin with letters A thru E.

Mrs. C. S. Coll - Altoona - Leader
Mrs. Daniel Wertz - Johnstown - Recorder

Group II - Those whose surnames begin with letters F thru L

Mrs. Paul Kendig - State College - Leader
Mrs. L. H. Schnell - Indiana - Recorder

Group III - Those whose surnames begin with letters M thru R.

Mrs. R. M. Ott - Johnstown - Leader
Mrs. Robert Steele - Lewistown - Recorder

Group IV - Those whose surnames begin with letters S thru Z.

Mrs. S. M. Sherwood - Washington - Leader
Mrs. Arthur Pollack - Altoona - Recorder

Questions for Leaders in Buzz Sessions to Use in Groups.

1. Is our membership policy correct?
2. Is our legislative program effective?
3. Is the A.A.U.W. purpose right?
4. What A.A.U.W. means to me?
5. What A.A.U.W. means to the community?
6. How can we develop more awareness in A.A.U.W.?
7. How can we develop greater attendance at conference meetings, etc?
1956-57 Publicity Report

Upon assuming the assignment of publicity chairman, I contacted the reporters of A.A.U.W. news from both the morning and evening papers. In this manner procedure for reporting news of both regular meetings and special projects was determined.

A report of the agenda for each meeting was given the reporter several days prior to the meeting date.

Additional information such as summaries of talks given and of business transacted was phoned to the reporter immediately after each meeting.

Special conferences were held with the reporter before each special project in order that maximum publicity would be secured.

I attended three meetings with A.A.U.W. groups to discuss publicity for group projects.

News clippings were pasted in the publicity notebook.

A letter of appreciation for courtesies shown, was sent to Mr. Walter W. Krebs, Tribune Democrat President.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Albert F. Doyle
1956-57 Publicity Chairman
Mr. Walter W. Krebs, President
Johnstown Tribune-Democrat
Johnstown, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Krebs:

Another season of the Johnstown Branch of the American Association of University Women has come to a close and, as in the past, no small part of its success was due to the fine cooperation we have had from the Tribune-Democrat.

The news coverage for the Creative Arts Forum, the Fellowship Benefit, the radio series, and each of our varied programs has been excellent.

The courtesy and efficiency of not only Mr. Donald Matthews and Mr. Frank Davis, who served us regularly, but also of Miss Ann Peck, Mr. Herman Hassel, Mr. George Vlasovsky, and of your city editors, Mr. James Krider and Mr. Saul Spiegel, has made my assignment as 1956-57 publicity chairman very pleasurable.

Our president, Mrs. Joseph Bennett, and our members, join me in expressing our sincere thanks.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Albert F. Doyle
A.A.U.W. Publicity Chairman
Membership of the committee included Mrs. Richard Ott, Chairman; Miss Nancy Ervem, Mrs. Frank Davis, Miss Edith Paul, Miss Lola Smith, and Mrs. Daniel Wertz.

Three meetings were held during the year, all at the home of the chairman. The branch president and the two education co-chairmen attended the last meeting.

The primary work of the committee was to follow through on the fall series of radio programs, scheduled the previous spring, and to set up a winter and spring series. Forty programs were scheduled for the season. With one exception when one organization failed to provide the program for which it had committee itself, AA's PRESENTS was heard each Friday evening at 6:45 P.M. from Sept. 14 through June 14. (The program was rescheduled for 11:15 P.M. during May and June.) on WJAC Radio.

At the suggestion of the station program director, an attempt was made to have organizations vary the method of presentation in order to avoid the usual question-answer type program. The fall and winter series reflected these efforts. The station expressed dissatisfaction with the spring series because some participants were not prompt in making recording arrangements etc. This condition was possibly due to the fact that these later participants had not responded to our first invitation and had been telephoned by our committee. Perhaps interest was not as great among these organizations.

A list of participating groups and a copy of the information sheet sent each organization are included in this report. Among the contents of the committee folders being given to the new chairman are copies of all the thank-you letters to participating groups, all correspondence of the committee, scripts from some of the programs, publicity clippings, and materials collected for use in preparing future programs.

Letters to station in appreciation of its cooperation and free public service time were sent in Sept. and June by our president.

Other activities of the committee were: arranging a display of publicity, correspondence etc., relating to our project for the January branch meeting; stressing at branch meetings the importance of our writing individually to stations and sponsors concerning our evaluation of programs; and the collection of materials and ideas for future programs on radio or TV.

Postage and materials amounted to $6.05.

Future plans include sponsoring a branch meeting on the subject of radio and TV, arranging for a children's story hour
program on a local radio station, and contacting the TV station (WJAC) to express interest in the TV field, commended the station for having been awarded the Seal of Good Practice, and investigate the possibility of helping to sponsor a summer program in the adult education level, possibly on hobbies.

The year's activities proved most enjoyable for the committee. While public response to our programs was poor, we feel our efforts were rewarded public-relations wise because there are 40 local groups who are now acquainted, through letter, telephone, and personal contact, with AAW and its purposes.

(Mrs. R. M.) Helen Ott, Chairman
LOCAL GROUPS PARTICIPATING IN "MUSIC PRESENTS OVER STATION WJAC"
RADIO--JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA  SEPT. '56--JUNE '57

City-County Clinic
Mercy Hospital Guild
Johnstown Garden Club
Community Nursing Service
Division 5, Pa. Nurses Association
Scroptomists Club
Cambria County Dental Society
YWCA
Boy Scouts
Chamber of Commerce
Cambria County Heart Association
American Institute of Banking
Amvets
Lee Hospital Auxiliary
Johnstown Music League (primarily a musical program)
Exchange Club of Johnstown
Association for the Blind
Cambria County Medical Society
War Memorial Board
Salvation Army
Cambria Free Library
Community Concert Association
Teen Caravans
Pa. Society of Professional Engineers (cancelled)
Memorial Hospital Auxiliary
YMCA
Kiwanis Club
Girl Scouts
Film Society of Johnstown
Comet Club (Recreational club for young people)
Municipal Recreation Commission
Junior Music League (primarily a musical program)
Johnstown Symphony
March of Dimes-Natl. Found. for Infantile Paralysis
Rotary Club
United Mine Workers of America, District 2
Cambria Co. Bar Association
Art League
Catholic Charities
Cambria Co. Chapter, Association for Mental Health
To

The American Association of University Women, Johnstown Branch, is pleased that your organization will present one of the quarter-hour programs in our series of public service broadcasts, AAUW PRESENTS, over Radio Station WJAC on

Like most of the participating groups you probably have a number of questions about preparing your program. We hope that this memorandum can answer some of them. Our Radio Chairman, Mrs. Richard Ott (539 Luzerne Street, Phone 9-8879 or 329 Haverford Street, Phone 35-2782) will be happy to discuss any further questions, and Mr. Ron Stephenson, Program Director and WJAC, may be contacted on technical matters.

Purpose: AAUW feels that Johnstowners need to know more about what their organizations and agencies are doing to make the community a good place in which to live. It is not enough that we learn that a group held its regular monthly meeting, elected officers, sent delegates to a convention, admitted new members, heard speakers, and put on a dance.

The really significant contribution of each organization is too often apparent only to its members. The public may not know what you do to maintain the community's health, bring in new industry, brighten the lives of the aged, provide recreation for the youth, or beautify homes and public places, to name a few projects of our local groups.

This series of radio programs provides the forum through which you can inform the community about your unique contribution to its betterment. Radio Station WJAC provides the time; AAUW arranges the schedule.

Timing: This is radio. Your script must be timed to take 12 or 13 minutes. The rest of the quarter-hour consists of our theme music, introduction, and conclusion.

Recording: Every program is recorded in advance. Make your appointment to record by calling Mr. Stephenson at WJAC. The engineer cannot give more than a half hour to each recording, so you must be ready to record at the exact time you have specified.
Rehearsal: In order that your organization will show up to best advantage each program must be well rehearsed. Your final rehearsal may be done at the station if you meet there early enough to be finished before your recording appointment.

Regulations: There are only two station regulations regarding your program; politics and personalities must be avoided. AAUW asks that you concentrate on what you do locally rather than on your activities as part of your state, regional, or national organization.

Format: Since the AAUW introduction and conclusion on the program mention only the name of the organization you will possibly want to have a moderator or announcer from your own group to introduce your participants.

You may write your script in any form you like. For example, it might be a speech, a round table discussion, an open forum, a panel, a symposium of experts, an informal debate, a conversation, an interview, or a dramatization.

Here are some suggestions gleaned from the experience of those groups which have already produced one of these programs:

1. A skit or other form of dramatization is usually the easiest type of program to which to listen.
2. Several voices, animated voices, voices of different tones and qualities, add interest.
3. Children and young people provide special appeal.
4. Case studies sometimes make the message more meaningful.
5. The best programs tell of a specific project rather than many details about the group's total work.

Publicity: We suggest that you give your organization extra publicity by contacting the reporter who usually handles news of your activities. A news story, (appearing a day or two before your broadcast) containing your subject, participants, time, and station will certainly increase the listening audience.

We would be very happy to receive a copy of your script for our permanent files.

AAUW knows that hard work goes into each of these programs and we thank you for your cooperation.

Radio Committee
Johnstown Branch
American Association of University Women
JUNE 12, 1957.

STUDENT LOAN FUND—JOHNSTOWN BRANCH

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION UNIVERSITY WOMEN.

Loansto:

1. Joan Dunkle
   426 Park Ave.,
   Johnstown, Pa.  
   Sep't. 10, 1956  --- $300.00

2. Myra Mae Varner
   522 Russell Ave.,
   Johnstown, Pa.  
   Sep't. 10, 1956  --- $250.00

Total amount of loans $550.00

Balance in Student Loan Fund, June 12, 1957 $2,203.44.

Joan Dunkle is a student at State Teachers College, Kutztown, Pa.

Myra Mae Varner is a student at State Teachers College, Lock Haven, Pa.

Kathleen M. Custer
Chairman Student Loan Fund

Joan Dunkle received two previous loans from the Student Loan Fund—the first one for $200.00 on Sep't. 3, 1955, and the second one for $100.00 on Sep't 28, 1955. These loans were made when Miss Sophia Moiles was chairman of the Student Loan Fund.