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THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GIRLS' CLUBS AND MIXED CLUBS

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Has 2,000 leaders and 6,000 active helpers in clubs affiliated to the National Association through Local Associations.
Has the responsibility of providing Youth Leadership students at the Universities with practical training in club work.
Has, by means of emergency and part-time courses, trained large numbers of men and women for posts with Local Education Authorities and the Churches. Is now in collaboration with the Army assisting with pre-demobilisation courses for those interested in youth work or setting up "leisure clubs" for young recruits in the Army.
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Is prepared, in collaboration with both the Education Authorities and the Churches, to assist in the development of County Colleges and Community Centres.

Is grant-aided by the Ministry of Education and Local Education Authorities, but has to obtain a major share of its finances from voluntary sources. This money has always been forthcoming but the rapid growth of the Association, its increased scope and the urgency of its post-war schemes make it imperative that £100,000 should be raised by the end of 1947.
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Page 2—Omit "Vice-Chairman Mrs. Laurence Cadbury."
Page 3—Executive Committee - add Lady Rees.
Page 4—Add Miss D. Powncely, Employment Officer.
Page 22—Revised membership figures: Members: 130,778 (Girls: 91,046)
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This has been a year of high hopes, fulfilment, fears, achievement, anxiety and concern. The war which had been our ever-present anxiety and concern came to an end. Victory crowned the efforts of our armed forces. The end of our armed forces and the unity of spirit of determination to see the thing through, achieved its goal. Fear and horror of the air were often unimagined, and very real, yet, trying to realize what we were and what to do next. This weariness, the price we paid for victory, came with the cost of life for all concerned. The sacrifices, the suffering, the work of the people of all nations, were real, and they were not in vain. The sacrifice of life and the sacrifice of health and happiness came to an end.

The war had created a momentum which was hard to check and alter. People were still in stilted places, conscripted, directed by the forces of choice. Some were doing work which bore no relation to a future as they would have it be. So, after the first feelings of unbridled relief and thankfulness, there followed, inevitably, the uncertainties and perplexities of the past. The way ahead was now clear—how could it be after six years such as we had borne?

TRANSITION

Through all these stirring and startling events it was not unnatural that the affairs of an Association such as N.A.G. and M.C. should mirror, in a small way, the events of the time. Transition, even with skillful and careful planning is always a difficult time, and it would be foolish to suppose that the N.A.G. and M.C. could escape the effects of the aftermath, whether it was on schemes or personnel. In fact, we are looking back on a year that will be given to us all in our memories, the N.A.G. and M.C. can be said to have achieved its task, and its members have done well, and are ready for the future. The way has been paved for all times on our memories, the N.A.G. and M.C. can be said to have achieved its task, and its members have done well, and are ready for the future.

The Annual Conference of 1945 was, after considerable discussion, held in London, and was accompanied by a reception at the Mansion House. The N.A.G. and M.C. meet from time to time with other organisations from the country at London, but no such meeting was held in London during 1946. In fact, no meeting was held in London during this year. Each of the members of the Committee was devoting its own interest and comfort during such difficult and dangerous times.

GIFTS

In May, Princess Elizabeth, in the uniform of the A.T.S., visited Devonshire Street Club House and received the gifts which had been so kindly and thoughtfully sent. Through the good offices of Lady Anderson of the British Children's Comforts Fund of New South Wales, the gifts, as very welcome, were all passed on to Children's Hospitals.

Later in the year, there followed a presentation from the British War Relief Society. This took the form of a much needed Motor Caravan for use in Rural Areas, the fulfilment of a scheme which had been in mind for many years. Mrs. Elphick had accepted this wonderful gift to our work from Mr. Kruger of the British War Relief Society at a cheerful and impressive ceremony outside the Devonshire Street Club House. The motor car is bearing the emblem of the N.A.G. and M.C. on its front and set out to the West and North Ridings of Yorkshire. Immediately it was "launched." Morris Motors provided a trailer caravan for use of the Oxford Association and this has been parked at Aven Tyrrell for the summer months of 1946.

Policy with regard to the under-16's and the over-20's has been continued. The jubilant spirit, as well as continuing their grant towards appointments made with the Oxford Association and the Education Authorities, it is made it possible to have some Forest Grants for an experimental period of three years.

Appointments to Headquarters Staff included a Business Manager, Finance Secretary, Mixed Clubs Committee Secretary, and a Warden for Aven Tyrrell. A Press and Publicity Sub-Committee was set up to advise the Executive Committee on these matters and there were protracted discussions concerning the publication of a Youth Magazine, a Leaders' Bulletin and the Club News.

It was in all, a year of great activity; activity which at times was made necessary through circumstances outside and beyond our control. It was a year of consolidation of the old and tried, as well as a re-emphasis of the need for fresh ideas and research. With us in all this work have been many friends. To them we offer our thanks. These friends include all who have worked on N.A.G. and M.C. Committees, our subscribers and donors and many who, by the giving of their leisure time, have proved yet again the increasing value of the voluntary helpers.

To the other voluntary organisations we would offer our thanks. With them we have discussed many things, and the mutual cooperation which we have shown in this year has been a great support and speaks well for the future.

FINANCE

Finance seems large in any organisation and we have, indeed, found that our grants and contributions to other organisations were in no way cut and that these famous Trusts considered our work worthy of further recognition and development. We are grateful for grants from the Ministry of Education, Education Authority, and National Service for War Workers' Clubs and other local authorities. To the contributions to the N.A.G. and M.C., our sincere thanks.

The work of the Committee and the organisation and its members are in good fettle, faced and are ready for the future. The way ahead is now clear—how could it be after six years such as we had borne?
THE CHAIRMAN'S YEAR

There is always a danger in being a jack of all trades and master of none, and the Chairman of any big national organisation can easily become that. Nevertheless it also has its merits in an organisation dealing with Youth, because Youth, and particularly adolescence, is an age of adventure and experiment. Many sides of life and work are involved. Any rigid approach to youth work would be doomed to failure. Any failure to know the variety of interests which young people of today have, any failure to seize the opportunities which arise on the point of view such as ours, would be foolish. The variety of needs which are given to the Chairman of the N.A.G.C. and M.C. to serve the interests of the Association and its members are myriad, they are the reasons which may lead to the charge of being the ubiquitous Jack.

MEMBERS

First, there is the club member and his or her job. During the war the Chairman served on a committee at the Ministry of Labour called the Women's Consultative Committee which was asked to give advice to that department on the mobilising of women power. A reconstituted committee under the same title is being asked to advise the Minister of Labour on the mobilisation and resettlement of women. Many ex-club members are involved in this, and the work is of enormous interest, covering as it does not only the young, but the older members too. In life of a young boy or girl, the importance of his or her job cannot be overestimated.

The days of planning the Youth Service through a National Youth Committee at the Ministry of Education's cover, but the carrying out of these plans is not yet complete. It is up to the Chairman to keep in touch with the Youth Service branch of the Ministry of Education in his contacts with the Local Authorities Committees of the Local Education Authorities. This cooperation between the statutory and the voluntary organisation is the key to the success of the Youth Service.

There is a particularly difficult side to the life of some young adolescents, a side which is often exaggerated, but which we all know does exist—the incidence of delinquency. The Home Secretary appointed a Council called "The Advisory Council for the Treatment of Offenders" on which the Chairman of the Association serves together with magistrates and experts on crime. Club members on the whole are low-springing citizens, and therefore the problems can be looked at from the positive rather than the negative angle. Clubs make a positive contribution to these young people and youth organisations undoubtedly help to combat the increased rate of delinquency.

INTERNATIONAL CONTACTS

Then there are the growing demands from other countries for information about youth clubs. Hardly a day passes in the office, but a call comes asking for an interview to discuss youth work in Europe or in the United States of America. The English-speaking world is as interested in the results of its own experiment as we are in the results of those of others. Clubs are becoming internationally minded, and particularly interested in their relationship with our partners in the British Commonwealth and Empire, Executive meetings. The Chairman must take the Chair at Council and Executive meetings. He must if possible be present at the Standing Committees on Training, Education and Finance, and with the help of an indefatigable staff and representatives of the Local Associations plan the policy of the Association to meet every problem as it arises, and submit those plans to the Council and Executive for their decisions.

Last, but not least, a Chairman’s job is to tour the country keeping in close touch with Local Associations and their Chairs and Secretaries; to go to clubs and meet club members; to learn from the boys and girls themselves what they are thinking, saying and doing; and to understand the influences which are most potent in their lives.

You may wonder if all this is possible. I often wonder myself. Perhaps it is not. But in the search and in all that it entails, there is no end worth while. There is always something new to learn, for we are dealing with human beings and with a democratic organisation, containing within itself the seeds of growth and strength.

K. R. Elliott

Chairman.

N.A.G.C. and M.C.

WORK IN THE DEPARTMENTS

EDUCATION

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

True to its terms of reference which begin with the words "to be concerned with the continued education of the club leaders and young leaders" of the Association, the Education Department has gone steadily forward in its purpose. There are so many facets to its work that it is only possible to mention a few—publications, exhibition boxes, films, and courses. The exhibition boxes are all of much use in thought; weekend courses have been arranged and the committee for Ethical Guidance and Research have both been very hard at work. During the year over 200 boxes have been sent to the over three national week-end courses. In April, 1945, the second Arts and Week-end was held, the subject being "The Word." In January, 1946, the subject dealt with was "Reading and the Club Member," and in February with "The Film." The courses were well attended, proved extremely useful and had interesting repercussions.

Under the chairmanship of Dr. C. M. Fleming, the Research Committee undertook to consider "Club Giras and Their Interests." This honest and careful piece of research now is both the reward and contributes to the knowledge on the problem of interest grouping and how to plan the club programme in relation to the whole system of continued education.

The Ethical Guidance Committee is engaged on the formidable dual task of endeavouring first of all to find out the moral climate of young people, and, secondly, to formulate suggestions as to how it can, according to its terms of reference, suggest helping young people who do not at present accept anything which is helpful to their conduct. A careful and searching questionnaire was prepared, and circulated to a sample selection of clubs. The returns are now being considered.

There has been an increased interest in and demand for exhibition boxes, educational material, and publications throughout the year, and the demand for all these items in November, 1945, was a fresh starting point for numerous who visited. A film strip produced in cooperation with the B.B.C., Education in West Africa, India, Timor, and the British Overseas Airways Corporation. The number of publications distributed in 1945–46 is now 1,000,000; the Education Department has produced completely "Hunts for Study Courses." has produced seven new broadsheets, a booklet called "Creating the Print" and another entitled "Look at This Way" which endeavours to show club members how to appreciate paintings. The International Exhibition Books which have been in great demand and about in vivid form, life in such countries as Australia, China, Greece, Norway, U.S.A. and U.S.S.R. The hiring fee is 1/6 per week or 5/- per month, and in view of increased interest in foreign affairs and travel, this collection of boxes will be kept up-to-date and added to as opportunity permits.

The Jubilee Trust Report on Youth Service in an English County, suggested that one of the major lines of development in youth service should be the setting up in small groups of programme advisors for educational activities within the club. Such programme advisors should be capable of heading up all the possible voluntary help in any given area, to initiate and develop discussion groups, film groups, religious activity, drama, music, and any other activities and new activities of all kinds. In view of this recommendation, the Jubilee Trust has made it financially possible for N.A.G.C. and M.C. to appoint two such programme advisors—one to work in the Midlands and one in the West.

Another scheme is in force to organise a summer school on the "Technique of Informal Education in August 1947."
TRAINING

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

The process by which the Ministry of Education is shifting the focus of professional training from the voluntary association to the universities seems to be continuing. In this connection the N.A.G.C. and M.C. convened a conference.

The first was on the content of practical training and the relations between academic and practical work. The second was a conference of bodies which had run schemes of professional training. Two important points emerged:

1. The lack of means to train leads to the waste of much good material and
2. That conditions of service are not such as to attract people of strong educational background.

Many people who have shown sterling qualities in voluntary youth work do apply but have no chance of being accepted by the universities. The Training Secretary feels that such leaders are highly valuable in running a type of social club that will be necessary as long as the housing situation remains acute, and thinks that some means should be found of regularising and recognizing their position.

PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS

There are this year 12 students in their first year and 21 students in their second year in the universities, and 28 completing their training. There are 17 bursary students, of whom 14 are second year students. Of these three are the last of those with bursaries from the Carnegie United Kingdom Trust.

The students themselves organised a conference last June on the worries in the club. Representatives attended from each of the university centres and exchanges a picture of the Arts (arranged by the Education Department) and the pleasure of meeting each other.

Examinations for training are at the rate of 15 a week. The people they seem suitable are directed to the conferences. In view of the rating required for admission to the University the N.A.G.C. and M.C. does not now make recommendations but accepts students for training after they have been accepted at the University. Close co-operation exists between the Universities and the Association.

PART-TIME COURSES

The Association is fortunate in obtaining the Ministry of Education’s assistance to finance four additional part-time courses under the terms of Circular 1396 just before that circular expired. In future full-time training is to be financed out of block grant. This is limited in amount and additional sources of income will have to be found. It is hoped to hold its proper place in the Association. There will be modifications in administration and curriculum, but the national standard of the certificate for part-time courses will be zealously maintained.

The Association hopes to co-operate with local authorities wherever that is possible and to extend the field of training. 273 students have attended the part-time courses.

The Training Department has come to see that if the right type of person is to be attracted as tutor it will be necessary to make permanent appointments, and a progressive programme for part-time training is visualised in which there would be ten tutors, six of them fixed in centres of population and four mobile in outlying districts. These tutors would obviously have to undertake other educational work as well as their direct responsibilities for the course which they were running. For this reason steps are contemplated to co-ordinate more closely the work of the education and training departments.

THREE & SIX MONTHS’ EMERGENCY COURSES

The last short course ended in London in Easter.

The short courses were a long way towards supplying much-needed club leaders and organisers, but it was felt that they did not sufficiently safeguard the interests of the trainees who had no general qualification. The Association will have to think in terms of running refresher courses for the short course students and of securing for them a recognised status. It is quite obvious that if the need for club leaders is to be met, "filtration" will have to continue in this occupation as in others. A realistic policy will recognise this fact.

Miss Martin, who was the tutor of the emergency course for leaders in Canada, is in addition of Mrs. Carrington of the Women’s Auxiliary in Canada, to advise on the running of training courses here. Her visit has been most enthusiastically welcomed and we hope for some co-operation with Canada in developing our training schemes.

EMPLOYMENT

The aim of the employment department is not to fill gaps, but to fill them with the right candidates, so that a real contribution is made to the Youth Service as a whole.

Year by year the work of this department has increased, and its services are now very widely used in all parts of the country.

The lifting of the Control of Engagement Order has meant that more personnel has become available, but the position is still that there are more posts than trained applicants to fill them. The number of posts notified this year to N.A.G.C. and M.C. was 213, and the part-time courses filled. Whenever it is possible all applicants for employment are interviewed by members of the staff, including the whole period, and often they have dealt with getting through shortages of equipment, domestic help, and even food to cook.

The future is bright, and "39" is now looked upon as the Hub of Clubs.

DEVONSHIRE STREET CLUB HOUSE

29 Devonshire Street is fast becoming the London home of a number of city clubs and organizers. When the war ended there was an immediate increase in the demand for accommodation in the club. The spontaneous requests came from all parts of the country, and were, and still are, a most heartening and cheering demonstration of the need for such a place.

Since March 1945, the membership has leapt from 178 to 466. Over 1000 members have used the club in which to spend the night, and many more could have been accommodated if space had been available. This increased demand for more meals, and whereas the weekly average of meals served in the spring of 1945 was 220, by the end of the year the number had rocketed to over 1000 a week.

So far, 28 Associations of Clubs and Citizens Clubs have taken out block membership. This enables groups of members from those Associations to use the Club at any time. 13 individual clubs have also taken advantage of this scheme of membership.

The members of the club, some young and some not so young, have all been most appreciative of what can be offered, and the mixed reaction of temporary bathroom shortage has never caused a grumble. The most popular rooms are the sitting room with refrigeration, open fire place, and, of course, the Canteen, which is seldom empty.

Every year we find available accommodation has been in constant demand and the building was used for Courses, Conferences, etc. In addition to the N.A.G.C. and M.C. Council and Executive Committee, other National Associations, such as the N.A.G.C. and M.C. Council and Executive Committee, the N.A.G.C. and M.C. Council and Executive Committee, and the British Dialectic Association have been quick to realise the value of the house for their meetings.

During the year the Club Committees have been reconstituted, and now consists of elected representatives from Club Members, with the addition of other very interested and helpful people. Mrs. Bonnie had to resign the Chairmanship owing to pressure of other work. To her the Club certainly owes a very great debt for all she did, especially in those early and difficult (even dangerous) days when the Club was being brought into existence. Miss Mackay is the new chairman, and her great energy and enterprise are already showing her to be a very able successor to Mrs. Bonnie.

Miss Mackay, who was working with the Nottingham City Association of Girls Clubs and Mixed Clubs, was appointed Secretary of the Club House during the year, and she is in the house which she gives the welcome, and makes the whole place feel what it should be, a Club indeed. Her staff have shown great club membership, and leaders and organisers, and during the whole period, and often they have dealt with trying circumstances, and the shortage of equipment, domestic help, and even food to cook.

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HOLIDAY HOUSES

"... a Cottage on the Moors, a Georgian House in Somerset, or a Newfoundland Log Cabin Camp."

It has always been the desire of the N.A.G.C. and M.C. and its affiliated Associations to help club members to spend their holidays in happy places with knowledgeable and understanding supervision. With the restrictions made this a big difficulty, yet the increased hours of work and the conditions under which some members worked made the need for good holidays all the more urgent.

Club members need good food, sensible, simple accommodation, comradeship and the opportunity to spend their holidays in a way of their own choosing. Some Associations have had camp sites or houses for some years, and they have always been used to capacity. At first these sites or houses were for the use of the local Association members only. This was good in its way, but it did not help the wider club members meet people from other parts of the country.

In the general principle now seems well-established that holiday houses and camps shall, for some part of the year, be open to any club members, from any Association.

Another development is also of great interest. The Club holiday camp at Avon Tyrrell has still to be developed. Good in a way, but good within limits. Now small groups of clubs go to various places. They return, compare experiences and knowledge, and the club is certainly the richer for the end. To get small groups to choose where they shall go, and how they shall go is indeed a big step forward.

Holidays in a new place, with likeminded people, and yet with that oversight by understanding warden is now a possible thing.

The N.A.G.C. & M.C.’s big holiday house at Avon Tyrrell has just been developed. Army occupation of the building delayed the opening of it, but the plans for using the grounds and huts for this summer are well advanced, and Boys and Girls will be at Avon Tyrrell this year, if not inside the House.

In all, twenty-two Associations have now holiday houses or camp sites. The accommodation varies from a cottage on the Moors in Yorks, a Georgian house in a village in Somerset, to a Newfoundland log cabin camp in Hampshire.

With the increase of commercialised camp holidays, with the intensity of propaganda and publicity for mass holidays in prefabricated conditions, this showing of club members what a holiday can be, is an important and urgent piece of work.

The N.A.G.C. and M.C. booklet, "Holiday Houses," giving the details of this scheme, is what is on offer to club members, is now available.
CITIZENS' CLUBS
(formally War Workers' Clubs)

During the past year the work has fallen into three categories.

The first concerns self-government in the Clubs and in the Association. Members' Committees now plan their programmes, and are increasingly responsible for the life within the Club. Already in many cases the Management and Members' Committees have merged into one. This is a very healthy and progressive sign. The Regional and National Members' Councils are strong and independent, and they arrange Conferences and Drama Festivals; they meet bi-monthly to deal with the practical matters and the principles which concern the whole work of the Clubs and Association.

Secondly, there has been a noticeable widening of the interests and pursuits within the Club, and outdoor activities and inter-club visits have increased considerably.

The third is of great importance, and concerns the future. The withdrawal of the grant from the Ministry of Labour as from March 31, 1946 has meant that the Clubs must turn to the local Education Authorities for grant aid. This has caused uncertainty, but the challenge it has created has stiffened the members into activity. They have written to their Members of Parliament and sent deputations, not only to their Education Committees, but, as well, to the Ministry of Education.

To face this situation subscriptions and canteen prices have been increased, staff reduced, and money-raising efforts doubled. If it were feasible that Members themselves could be financially responsible for the Club the future would be assured.

Owing to some premises being unsuitable and others being de-requisitioned, 15 out of 57 Clubs have already closed.

A search is being made for new premises. There seems every hope that the Clubs may become either Community Centres or Adult Clubs. As there is a link with the Community Centres Association it is toward this side that the Local Education Authority is favourably inclined.

The very successful partnership with the Ministry of Labour is at an end, and the wisdom, vision, and generosity of this Ministry shown towards a voluntary organisation, has earned our real gratitude.

The future is in doubt, but it would indeed be sad if all the work done and experience gained should come to naught.

SALES DEPARTMENT

The past year has been a difficult one for any trading concern, owing to shortage of supplies, restrictions, and the fact that taxation, printing and paper are all strictly controlled.

During the latter half of 1945-46 the Sales Department has been re-organising and planning to become an efficient and profitable business. This has not been simple, but the aim is to develop this side of the N.A.G.C. and M.C. work, so that the best possible service can be given to all clubs and associations. Supplies are becoming more plentiful, and before long it should be possible to operate the Sales Department in a satisfactory manner to purchasers and sellers alike.

It is estimated that in the financial year 1946-1947 all expenses will be covered, and after that there should be a steady profit.

At the present time our enterprises are hampered by lack of space at Hamilton House, but this difficulty will be overcome when a move is made to the new premises in Devonshire Street.

The following are samples of services supplied through the Sales Department:

1. Supplies of non-coupon materials for handicrafts.
2. Loan of international and theatrical costumes for Pageant, P.T. Displays and Drama.
3. Distribution of literature, pictorial posters and brochures.

IN THE NEWS

PRESS AND PUBLICITY SUB-COMMITTEE

The N.A.G.C. and M.C. Press Officer supplied pertinent answers to the many inquiries from journalists, all kinds. The questions varied considerably from "Does Youth respond to classical music?" to "What is the place of a youth club in a Community Centre?" or "Are club girls being married in white this year?"

It is obvious that the Press Department is now recognised as a source of authentic information about youth work by the newspaper world.

The Times and Manchester Guardian have given space to Holiday Houses and Citizens' Clubs. Women's papers dealt comprehensively with Mrs. Walter Elliot's travels and enterprises, holiday houses, training courses, exhibition boxes and pictures of Avon Tyrrell.

Provincial papers, more quietly paced than the national dailies, have been generous in the space given to news supplied to them. Clubs in Newcastle, Bristol, Somerset, Huntingdonshire, Nottinghamshire, just to mention a few places, really do use their local papers and find it well worth while. Sometimes as many as 150 Editors a week consider the activities of the N.A.G.C. and M.C. and their affiliated associations, to be worthy of good notice.

PHOTOGRAPHS ON LOAN

This, a new venture, has proved a great success. During the year some 200 photographs of club activities have been out on loan for exhibitions; not only to local associations but to the Ministry of Information for strip films; to the Ministry of Fuel and Power for lectures and to the Foreign Office for an exhibition in Greece.

Association secretaries, realising that "one picture is worth a thousand words," are increasingly calling upon the store of photographs to put "life" into their Annual Reports and some visual appeal into the literature they use for their money raising efforts.

The Press and Publicity Sub-Committee exists to give a more comprehensive service to the newspaper world—and the public.

National Association of Girls Clubs and Mixed Clubs

The N.A.G.C. and M.C. is the result of the associating of Local Associations. Here Miss Honoria Harford (Org. Sec. of N.A.G.C. and M.C.) surveys the map of England showing those parts which have already formed Associations. The strength and health of local associations is of vital importance and always a matter of real concern to the National Association.

Groups of clubs form Associations. Here we have some club members from Durham, Birmingham and Henley gathered round the tea table at the holiday house, Thamefield in Berkshire.
What the Members do

There is no end to the possibilities, Edmund Blunden says: “Youth has energy and inquiry enough for quite a variety of devotions at the same time.” This is perfectly true and whether it is cycling, swimming, boating or playing hockey the enthusiasm is the same. Club members are taking part more and more in outside the club-room activities that are organised by adult associations. This is a good sign.

The picture above shows the Hemingford Gray Youth Club. Too small in numbers to affiliate, but proud that it is run on N.A.G.C. and H.C. lines. The Leader (second from right) was a student at the Bristol N.A.G.C. and H.C. Part Time Training Course.

Taking the plunge in the Thames from the diving board of Thamesfield.

Rivers and boats, fascinating and soothing. Another view of the holiday fare provided at Thamesfield.

These under 14s are playing with a young Leader who is just finishing her training.
Club Members Look at London

Now that club members have a Club House of their own at 29 Devonshire Street, W., they can see and enjoy London. Here they are doing it.

Avon Tyrrell — The Country Club House

This lovely house in most beautiful country will become the country club house for many Boys and Girls, Club Leaders, Organisers and Officials. To it will come friends - to - be from overseas and there they will meet their counterparts in England. High hopes are centred in this charming place, it has a big part to play in the future of the Association. The lower picture shows girls from the Dorset Association of Girls Clubs and Mixed Clubs picnicking in the garden. The building is not yet in full use.

(By courtesy of "The Times")
In the Club Room

The library corner at Wilmington Youth Centre.

In the Cathedral

The Sheffield Association of Girls Clubs and Mixed Clubs and Sheffield Council of Boys Clubs, took part in a Carol Service in Sheffield Cathedral in December 1945. Here they are rehearsing.
THE APPEAL

To launch an appeal in what proved to be the closing stages of a six years war was a venture of faith. To have at its central idea a joint effort by Local Associations and the National Association on a basis of equal shares, further proved that interdependence and faith in each other were established things.

That nothing spectacular has yet occurred does not mean that little has been done or achieved. Difficulties, not of our own making, and certainly beyond our control, made some promising schemes too ambitious for fulfillment at the moment, and the triumphant ending of the war, with its repercussions and changes of direction of outlook, caused big events, already in the blue print stage, to be abandoned—for the time being.

Yet a raft has been constructed on which the appeal can now be built to its full stature. That raft has been put together by the efforts of the club members themselves in their Associations of Clubs. There is now £30,000 to show that members with their leaders and officers are willing and ready to give the appeal its true starting point. On that sum, and because of that sum, the more spectacular schemes can be constructed.

AVON TYRRELL

Looking back on the year brings the realization that work has been done with an eye to the future. Plans and schemes in such a venture take time to mature, but mention should be made of the Mayor's Luncheon at Bournemouth in April. To this, which was followed by a visit to Avon Tyrrell, came the Mayors and Mayoreses from Hampshire and Dorset, and from the County Borough of Portsmouth, Bournemouth and Poole. As a direct result the Mayor of Winchester is arranging a Public Meeting with Lady Ravensdale as speaker, and the Lord Mayor of Portsmouth was instrumental in getting the Lord Mayor's Air Raid Distress Fund to give £1,000 to the Appeal.

TWO DATES AND EVENTS OF IMPORTANCE

LAWN TENNIS EXHIBITION MATCHES AND AMATEUR AMERICAN TOURNAMENT

The date: Tuesday, September 3rd, 1946
Time: 2.30—7.30 p.m.
Place: Lady Croft's House, Highgate
Tickets: £2 including tea. Reduction of £1 for party of 5.

A Committee has been formed consisting of Lady Ravensdale and Lady Croftfield, Lady Noel Curtis Bennett, Mr. Freddie Grisewood, Mr. Peter Graves, Mrs. Manley (Kay Stammers), Mr. Nigel Sharpes, Mrs. Vivian (Peggy Scribens). Tennis Champions are to partner stage, film and radio stars in the amateur tournament.

"THE HOUSE THE CLUB BUILT" A NATIONAL BAZAAR

The date: Thursday and Friday, October 24th and 25th, 1946
Place: Mayfair Hotel, W.1

Gifts would be welcomed for the kitchen, larder, stillroom, nursery, garden room and library. In fact any and every gift would find a home.

Gifts and offers of help may be sent to the Appeal Secretary, 32 Devonshire Street, W.1.
NATIONAL MEMBERS' COUNCIL

The work of the Members' Council goes on steadily. It was never a simple matter to get adolescents to become stable members of stable committees. The very nature of things is against such a thing, but it is becoming increasingly obvious that this important side of club work is having a valuable and far-reaching effect. Democracy must be experienced before it is really understood or appreciated. The members' councils are providing this experience.

ABERFOYLE 1945

The National Members' Council held its Conference at Aberfoyle, Perthshire, in May, 1945. One hundred and twenty-nine members were present from all parts of the country. "The Way Ahead" was the theme of the Conference, and the programme covered a wide range of subjects. The speakers included Mrs. Walter Elliot, Miss H. Harford, and Dr. Maxfield Brew. There were business meetings, a Brain Trust, and a Conference on Youth of the Netherlands and Canada. It was, all in all, a very busy and happy time.

HODDESDON 1946

The Conference this year, 1946, having for its title "Design for Living" was to be held in London at Whittington. As, however, this would have coincided with London in the height of the World War, it was thought advisable to go to the Hoddesdon Conference House called High Leigh, near Hoddesdon.

The four main aspects discussed were:
- Health and Housing
- Leisure
- Local and National Relationships
- Inter-Relationships.

A sub-committee of the National Members' Council drew up the programme and a large number of resolutions were received from Regional Local Associations, and individual clubs. To give an opportunity for these to be thoroughly discussed, time was allowed in an already over-flowing programme.

The Conference closed with the Annual General Meeting at which the new National Members' Council for 1946-47 was elected.

INTERNATIONAL CONTACTS

"... Our International contacts are increasing all the time. The greater part of this correspondence is with people overseas."

PEN FRIENDS

Correspondence between members of N.A.G.C. and N.A.C. and young people in the following countries is already taking place: Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Malta, The Gold Coast, Nigeria, India, Holland, Belgium, France, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, U.S.S.R., U.S.A. and Morocco. The correspondence is sometimes between groups, but chiefly between individuals. Great help has been received from the service of the Empire Day Movement and the World Friendship Association.

VISITORS

During the World Youth Conference, several of the delegates visited Clubs. Youth Organisers from Sweden visited this country at the special invitation of N.A.G.C. and N.C.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

Some have been received from St. Vincent, St. Lucia, British Guiana, Trinidad, the West Indies, from Cape Town and East London in South Africa; from Kenya; and from Rabat in Morocco.

GIFTS

Members collected clothes and games from their clubs to send to France and Holland.

U.N.O. ASSEMBLY

During the meeting of the U.N.O. Assembly in London, H. Farrel, the Librarian for Outside Organisations made it possible for several club members, leaders and organizers to sit in the distinguished Visitors Gallery at the Central Hall, Westminster, during some of the sessions.

THE CHAIRMAN'S TRAVELS

Mrs. Elliot brought home with her the names and addresses of many individuals and groups keenly interested in N.A.G.C. and N.C. Already much correspondence is taking place between this country and Australia, New Zealand and Canada as a direct result of her visits.

EXTRACT

"I found it very lovely to move about in the Youth Centre with my friends, but what I like most is to get more friends from other countries writing to me news about how they are going on there with the World." -From Accra, Gold Coast.

THE MIXED CLUBS

"... Members of Mixed Clubs expect everything to be of a high standard."

To regard the Mixed Clubs Committee, with its officers, as a department would be wrong. It is a full partner in the Association. All departments work with and through the Secretary. The findings promulgated by this Committee are eagerly taken up by the departments, and the schemes and plans are contemplated with great interest as they affect the work, not of a department, but of the whole Association.

During the year the Committee made much progress. First, it became a consolidated and constructive body. Mr. Wallenden accepted the Chairmanship. A permanent Secretary and a Field Organiser were appointed.

With so little data available, or in such a form that it could be studied, one of the first problems was to get to know and understand what it was that the boys and girls in the Mixed Clubs were wanting, needing and expecting in the way of services from a National Association.

REGIONAL CONFERENCES

With this in mind Regional Conferences were held, the big effort was made to assure that the boys and girls attending did represent the rank and file, and were not only those who were on the members' committees and councils. Also, to get another point of view, the invitations to attend the Conferences were sent to unaffiliated as well as to affiliated clubs.

Many things emerged from these conferences and not always what was expected or hoped. The members preferred to discuss travel rather than politics, policy, homecraft or saving. It is clear that there is a very keen desire to visit the homes of people in other countries. Public speaking seems popular and there is a great desire to know the facts of wages, Education and Homes all came into the discussion arena, showing that the members of Mixed Clubs are keenly alive to and aware of life as it is lived, or as they would have it lived.

STANDARDS

Also, and what is perhaps most important, it is obvious that if Mixed Clubs are to prosper as they should, certain standards must be set and maintained. These concern good, clean, and attractive premises. A mixed group has a high standard in these matters.

Programmes need much thought and care in their planning. Work rooms for crafts such as woodwork, sewing, and art, should in no way be makeshift if they are to compete for favour with the dance hall. The leader or leaders should be capable of giving good advice and help, and the difficulties which occur in connection with employers and at times, magistrate.

A GOOD SIGN

Mixed Clubs seem to need all and more that a first class Girls' or Boys' Club requires. Whether it is the clarifying effect that the different sexes have on each other or not quite clear, but the members of mixed clubs do expect everything to be of a high standard. That is a good sign, and one which though it will be difficult to achieve, must be encouraged.

Meanwhile the Regional Conferences will go on, their findings are of great value.

The Leaders of Mixed Clubs were asked to attend a Conference at Avon Tyrell from June 29th—July 1st. The matters under consideration were—

a. To study the question of the proper staffing of a Mixed Club.

b. To study questions concerning the relation of adults to the Youth Club.

c. To study questions effecting the general set up and programme in a Mixed Club.

d. To study questions concerned with the right use of leisure by youth in relation to the claims of the home and family: the club must be something to get a better job: and the place of "pure" recreation from the point of view of the club.

e. To study the implications of the present attitude of the majority of boys and girls in clubs to politics and religion.

THE FUTURE

The future plans must include training conferences for members on programme planning; the training of senior members to be voluntary helpers and possibly how to instruct in certain subjects, some guidance with regard to public speaking within the club; conferences on citizenship and on personal and international relationships. Leaders and Organisers must be got together to help in the framing of policy and programmes to meet the many and varying factors which are the concern of all those who believe in and work for Mixed Clubs.
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GIRLS' CLUBS AND MIXED CLUBS

CLUBS - 2000  MEMBERS - 122,100

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Secretary: Miss Smith, Hallgarth House, Hallgarth St., Durham.

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Secretary: Miss Wootten, 15 Southfield Road, Middlesbrough.

NORTH RIDING ASSOCIATION OF GIRLS' CLUBS AND MIXED CLUBS
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Secretary: Mrs. Lloyd Griffiths, 140 High Street, Northallerton, Yorks.

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Secretary: F. M. Osborne, Esq., 4 South Lane, Hessle, E. Yorks.

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CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF YOUTH CLUBS
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Secretary: Mrs. Bond, The Bungalow, Postwick, Norwich.

NORFOLK AND NORWICH FEDERATION OF GIRLS' CLUBS AND MIXED CLUBS
Chairman: Miss H. Snell, The Training College, Norwich.
Secretary: Mrs. Hughes, 31 Green Road, Norwich.

REGION 5
LONDON UNION OF MIXED CLUBS AND GIRLS' CLUBS
Chairman: Miss Janet Kynòd, London School of Economics, Houghton Street, W.C.2.

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Chairman: Miss C. Stewart, Training College, Reading.
Secretary: Mrs. W. H. S. Baxter, The Old Vicarage, Appleby, Lincoln.

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| Chair: | Secretary: |

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| Somerset Association of Mixed Youth Clubs and Girls' Clubs |
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| North Wales Council of Girls' Clubs and Mixed Clubs |
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| South Wales and Monmouthshire Council of Girls' Clubs |
| Chair: | Secretary: |

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| St. Helen's Union of Girls' Clubs and Mixed Clubs |
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Dear Miss Roosevelt,

I was very much hoping to have the pleasure of seeing you whilst I was in New York in March. Unfortunately you were on the coast on your lecture tour the whole time, so the opportunity never occurred. I was going to ask you kindly whether you would consider favourably the following suggestion:

I am Secretary of an organisation in the County called the National Association of Girls Clubs. It is a nation-wide organisation and embraces all branches of life for girls irrespective of colour, race or creed or politics.
There are many hundreds of clubs flourishing in the country and many more in prospect. We are attempting just now to consolidate the whole implement primarily and we expect by next spring to have completed the totalisation. At this point we intend to mark the occasion with a Hawaiian-style dinner and it is the unanimous wish of the Association that you might perhaps consent to be the principal speaker. The affair would be held on a date suitable to you and close to the date of the launching; in the memory of the late President.

I do hope you will look kindly on this invitation. We would all love you to be able to do this, if it were definitely put over the map & fixed on a sure y event.

Yours sincerely, David Bowes Lyon
April 25, 1947

My dear Mr. Bacer-Lyons,

Your letter of April 6th has just come. As I am going to London as a guest of The Pilgrims I will have to ask you to get their consent to my making any other public speeches.

If after I attend their dinner, they are willing, I shall be only too glad to do so you ask if you can arrange your meeting within a day or two after as I do not feel I can stay away too long.

Very sincerely yours,
June 27, 1947

My dear Mr. Bowen-Lyon:

When Sir Campbell Stuart was here, we discussed your invitation to speak for the National Association of Girls Clubs and Mixed Clubs.

I shall be very happy to do as you ask perhaps two or three days after the unveiling. I shall leave the exact date to you and Sir Campbell. I hope to leave London not later than few days after the unveiling.

I am looking forward to this occasion with deep gratitude for the honor being paid to my husband’s memory.

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Campbell Stuart Jr. (illegible)
14 Austin Friars,  
W.C.1.  

10th July 1947.

Mrs. Roosevelt,  
Apartment 15-A,  
29 Washington Square, West,  
New York City, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

Thank you very much indeed for your letter of the 27th June.

We are all overjoyed that you have consented to speak for the National Association of Girls' Clubs. We will arrange with Campbell Stuart as to the appropriate day and will, of course, keep you informed.

We are all of us, by which I mean the whole country, looking forward to seeing you over with us next year.

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]

David Bowes-Lyon
I thought perhaps you might like to have some further information about the Mansion House Dinner in London on April 14th, at which you have so kindly agreed to speak.

There will be about 350 people present, and among the important guests who have accepted are:— the Prime Minister and Mrs. Attlee, the Lord Chancellor and Lady Jowitt, the Archbishop of Canterbury and Mrs. Fisher, as well as the heads of the other Churches; if they are in London the American Ambassador and Mrs. Douglas, and the Foreign Secretary and Lord and Lady Halifax also hope to be with us. Leading business and professional men in the City of London, and provincial employers in British industry have also been invited.

The National Association of Girls' Clubs and Mixed Clubs are one of the big national youth organisations of this country, with a membership of approximately 150,000 boys and girls between the ages of 14 and 21 in youth clubs all over the United Kingdom and overseas.

The Association has links with the Commonwealth, and also with European countries, and through the generosity of the British War Relief Society, during the war many contacts were made with
America. Another link with America is that during the war when the U.S. Forces were in Britain club members used to welcome "G.I.s" into their clubs in areas such as Plymouth, Southampton, Bristol, Liverpool and Edinburgh.

During the war the organisation did a fine job - in spite of the blitz and bombing - for young people before they joined up, and kept in touch with them during their life in the Services. Clubs also raised large sums for war charities, but we did not think it right to have an appeal ourselves at that time. Since 1945, however, we have been raising money, and this Dinner is the final event in an Appeal for £100,000. We have £70,000 and the rest we hope to raise at the Dinner.

I should be glad to let you have any further information you would like when you arrive.

We are so looking forward to seeing you, and you will get a warm welcome from all the guests. It is a great honour to be allowed to entertain you, and I am personally very grateful to you for accepting our invitation.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt,
Apartment 15a,
29, Washington Square West,
NEW YORK, 11.