

**School Feeding.**—Our Secretary, Mrs. W. G. Warner, spoke on the school-feeding scheme, explaining that small schools were handicapped by the inadequate allowance of 2d. a day per child. Bigger schools had the advantage of being able to buy in bulk. Particularly, Mrs. Warner felt the school feeding scheme was essential for Native and Coloured children.

**Homes for the Aged.**—After reading a circular from Headquarters re this matter, we were reminded by Mrs. Holloway that during Mrs. Pauline Cock's term of Presidency, 3 years ago, Mrs. Cock had from the chair done a great deal towards the erection of a home for the aged, and had acquired land for the site. We all appreciate her fine efforts in this direction, and hope the day is not far distant when we shall see this fine project brought to fruition. Mrs. Cock has been elected to the Housing Committee of the Utility Company.

The undernoted business was discussed at the July meeting.

**Tree Planting.**—The, N.C.W. wishing to improve and beautify Kimberley and its environs, approached the Mayor in this regard. Arising out of the interview, the City Council agreed to provide £50 for the planting of trees on Arbour Day, and August 25 was fixed as

## Recipe for Better Curry

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A curried dish must never consist of pieces too large to be eaten with a spoon and fork.

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In preparing hot curries, be niggardly with the salt and generous with the butter.

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Keep your curry powder dry and well covered. It is always a good thing to warm it slightly before incorporating it in your sauce.

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Always use Cartwright's Prize Medal Curry Powder for all your curries and curried dishes.

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the tentative date. Practically all the local schools, European and non-European, are willing to co-operate in this tree planting, and we hope to make Arbour Day a great success.

*Pasteurization of Milk.*—The Medical Officer of Health, Dr. H. M. Wolfsohn, considers that existing regulations may be satisfactory on paper, but there was insufficient staff for regular inspection—the N.C.W. intend to exploit every avenue with a view to making pasteurization of milk compulsory.

*T.B. Patients.*—Our President appealed for donations for T.B. patients at Fosa, outside Durban, pointing out that more subscribers were needed to their magazine "Fosalink".

**KING WILLIAM'S TOWN.**—The desirability of establishing a social services register in Kingwilliamstown was discussed at the July meeting. It was stated that such a register, kept perhaps by the Borough Health Department, might prevent possible overlapping where some needy families were receiving help from more than one local welfare body, while others, equally deserving, received less help, or none at all. Mrs. Geddes Page told the meeting that she had discussed the proposal with the Chief Health Inspector of the Municipality and he assured her that he was very much in favour of it, and had offered the help of his department. After further discussion it was decided to contact every charitable organization in town, asking for their views, and to call a meeting of their representatives later to discuss the proposal.

A letter was read from Mr. J. W. Robertson bringing to the notice of the N.C.W. the serious lack of playgrounds for children in King-William's Town and making suggestions for their provision. The meeting was told that the Executive Committee had investigated the matter and it was found that the Borough Council have already made plans for playgrounds in Victoria Park and these would be put into operation as soon as the necessary funds were available. The Council's lay-out plan was exhibited to the meeting for inspection.

A letter was read from Miss Olive Rowe, a former headmistress of the Kaffrarian High School for Girls, who had been proposed by this branch as the South African N.C.W.'s International Standing Committee Member for Education. Miss Rowe wrote that she regretted that she was unable to accept the position owing to the fact that she did not have the necessary time to devote to this important work.

To end off a most interesting meeting, our speaker for the month was Mr. Herman Malcomess, M.P.C., M.E.C. Mr. Malcomess spoke on the work of the Provincial Administration and gave the members present plenty of food for thought.

**PORT ELIZABETH.**—There was a great deal of business to get through at the July meeting, and then Mrs. De Kock read a most interesting report on the shoe industry which she had compiled, and replied to various questions asked by members. A sub-committee has been formed to go into the high cost-of-living and this report is the first to be compiled.

After tea our President read the report delivered at the conference by Dr. Palmer on Indian affairs. We hope to be able to read at least one of the reports at each monthly meeting.

On Thursday, 6th July, our Executive Committee spent a most enjoyable day at Addo as the guests of the Sunday's River Women's Institute, who are affiliated to our branch. We were taken over the pack sheds of the Citrus Co-operative and spent a very interesting couple of hours. After lunch we attended a meeting of the Institute and were amazed at the work done by this body of women. Some of our members gave short addresses on the N.C.W. and its interests.



*Homes for the Aged.*—During May this branch was asked to sponsor a meeting of interested people with the idea of forming a committee. The Deputy-Mayor, Mr. Erasmus, agreed to take the chair and a meeting was called. It was a fairly representative one and committee was formed with our President, Mrs. Dewar, as Secretary. This committee has begun a survey to ascertain the needs of this town.

**PRETORIA.**—The Chairman of the Legislative Committee of Transvaal, Mrs. Levi, read a memorandum on the proposed changes in the Municipal Ordinance, which had been drawn up at the last meeting of that Committee and had been presented to the Provincial Council for consideration.

Although a few of the changes proposed might be an improvement these were quite ruled out by the injustices to various types or classes of ratepayers which would follow the use of the Parliamentary Voters' Roll in place of the Municipal Roll, as at present. To be a ratepayer and yet have no say or vote in the management of the administrative affairs was as undemocratic as it was unjust.

Mrs. Luke, Corresponding Member for Housing, presented the findings of the sub-committee. The position in Pretoria could scarcely be worse particularly among the non-European people where 22 to a house appeared to be the average number. A scheme for economic housing had been drawn up some little time back and in spite of the urgency of the situation, would not be proceeded with.

The Chairman announced, with satisfaction, that the Polio Fund, having raised the sum of money set as its target, had now closed down.

A date in August having been decided upon for the proposed morning market in a member's garden for Council funds, plans were discussed.

**VEREENIGING.**—In connection with Miss Delbridge's memorandum on the "Unlawful Organizations Bill", the President remarked that the Select Committee had made little change in the original Bill, except to change the name of "The Suppression of Communism Bill".

Members rose and stood in silence for one minute as a mark of sympathy with Mrs. Napier, whose husband, Commander M. N. Williamson-Napier, died on the 27th of June.

Our Convener for Cinema, Mrs. Blum, was congratulated on her efforts to ban bloodcurdling serial films from children's matinees. Her letters in the "Rand Daily Mail" had stimulated interest and publicity; and local cinema managers had contacted her. A representative of African Films had suggested that he visit Vereeniging in the near future for a round-table conference. Affiliated societies will be invited to send representatives.

The Rev. Cecil Tugman's appeal in the Press for books for prisoners had attracted our President's attention and she asked all members to hand in books to our Chief Librarian, Mrs. Visser, who had kindly consented to receive these at the public library.

Our guest speaker, Mr. I. T. McPherson, Town Clerk of Vereeniging, gave a most interesting address on "Municipal Affairs", giving details of the way in which "elected amateurs and appointed officials work together for the public benefit. In thanking the speaker, Mrs. Cochrane said that, while realizing the difficulties, we would like to see a certain amount of housing in any municipal housing schemes, both sub-economic European and African, set aside purely for aged people.

The meeting ended with the President earnestly reminding us to think positively for peace. She asked us to carry this quotation with us, "Were there in every country only a handful of strong-minded people thinking positively (in terms of peace), there would be no more wars."

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