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SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION



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UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

(U.N.A.A.)

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

ANNUAL REPORT - 1979/80

The year ended March 31st. 1980 has been a challenging one. However, much has been achieved in difficult circumstances.

Your executive was faced with the call by our Federal Council to the State divisions to set up coalitions of non-governmental organisations in support of the programme set down by the United Nations Special Session on Disarmament in mid-1978. We also had the problem of coping with the change from the block payment by the Education Department for about 600 schools as members of our association, to a system under which we had to start from scratch and sign up each school individually. Another challenge was the increased pressure on our office resulting from the International Year of the Child.

Each of these challenges was handled with a fair degree of success without lessening our normal activity.

PEACE AND DISARMAMENT COMMITTEE

The call to set up a coalition for peace and disarmament was met by the formation last September of a committee which now represents twenty non-governmental organisations. Known as the South Australian Committee of Support for the U.N. Special Session on Disarmament, it is conducting an active campaign to create a consciousness and political will for peace. The organisations on the committee cover a wide political spectrum and some are non-political. Members of the committee hold a common loyalty and respect for the Final Document agreed to by 149 nations, including Australia, at the U.N. Special Session on Disarmament in mid-1978. The committee adopted a programme based on that document. One of its first activities was a seminar titled "END THE ARMS RACE TO SECURE THE FUTURE OF OUR CHILDREN", held at the Adelaide Central Mission on December 8th. It was opened by our patron, the Governor, Mr. Keith Seaman. The committee has formed a panel of speakers to address associations and service organisations.

During March, this year when a dangerous international climate developed as a result of several factors including Iran and Afghanistan, our committee formulated a letter to the leaders of the United States, U.S.S.R., United Kingdom, China, West Germany, France and to the Australian Prime Minister, calling on the governments of all countries to come together to resolve their differences. The letter pointed out that there is no rational alternative to world peace. Our national president, Cecile Storey, kindly sent these letters over her signature.

SCHOOLS MEMBERSHIP.

The decision by the Education Department to end the arrangement whereby it made a block payment to us for some 600 schools as members, was both a financial and a membership blow. However, the Director-General Mr. J. Steinle has co-operated in urging all schools to take up individual membership. A letter was sent to schools by our executive and news items appeared in our newsletter and in "The Teachers' Journal" calling on schools to join up individually at an annual fee of \$5.00, and outlining the wide-ranging services provided. The response so far is that 200 schools have taken out individual membership, and more are coming in each week. Members can help by encouraging schools they are associated with. Individual person membership has increased by 20 this year to 233, but we need an increase of hundreds. Please come up with ideas and assistance in this task.

RECORD CALLS AT OFFICE.

Requests for information and school project material were at a record level during the year, partly because of the International Year of the Child.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Education Committee was reconstituted early this year under the able convenorship of Mrs. Betty Simmons. This committee is arranging for South Australian delegates to attend the Hammarskjold Memorial Interstate student conference in Sydney this month (May). The committee is helping to produce the teacher-aid project (known as Pik-a-Pak) for which our division has set aside \$300.00 to make the "master", on the subject of The United Nations. When it is completed any school will be able to buy a pack comprising slides and written material, for \$1.75. In addition the committee is helping with school liaison and speaking engagements.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS OF 1979 - 80.

World Health Day, April 7th, 1979: Dr. Andrew Buchanan, a paediatrician, spoke on the theme "A HEALTHY CHILD - A SURE FUTURE" at a successful luncheon at the Y.M.C.A.

Hammarskjold Student Conference: MAY 28th, 1979: G. A. Division sent seven student delegates to the Hammarskjold Student Conference in Melbourne.

Annual General Meeting, May 30th, 1979: The Governor, Mr. Keith Seaman gave the address on the theme of human rights, pointing out that there are two kinds of human rights - those typified by the words "free expression", and secondly economic and social rights such as the right to work and to education.

Hiroshima Day (Peace Day), August 6th, 1979: This took the form of a public meeting on the subject "THE CALL TO END THE ARMS RACE" at the Pilgrim Church Hall, Flinders Street. The keynote speaker, the Lieutenant-Governor, Sir Walter Crocker, spoke on the danger to humanity of the immense build-up of nuclear weapons. Other speakers were Dr. Rayner, Lynn Arnold, Joan van der Smen, Bob Gregory and Andrew Mack, each representing a different sector of the Adelaide community. The attendance was 165.

Namibia Day, August 28th, 1979: This was celebrated by having a decorated kiosk in Rundle Mall with a running slide commentary on Namibia. Signatures were collected to a letter calling on the Prime Minister of South Africa, Mr. Botha to agree to free elections under the supervision of the United Nations. There were three television reports in connection with the event.

Booklet, "The Race with No Winners": During the year we sent copies of the booklet "THE RACE WITH NO WINNERS" to all metropolitan high school libraries. This booklet, was prepared by the president of the Canberra division of UNAA, David Purnell for the Australian Council of Churches Commission on International Affairs, to increase awareness of the consequences of the arms race.

United Nations Day, October 24th, 1979 : This day was celebrated jointly with the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, with a luncheon addressed by the renowned musician, Hepzibah Menuhin at the Y.W.C.A.

Human Rights Day, December 10th, 1979: The day was marked by a lunch-hour talk on the situation in Zimbabwe, (which has since obtained its independence), by Mr. J. Partridge, formerly principal of the United College of Education at Bulawayo.

Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, March 21st, 1980: A public meeting on Pitjantjatjara land rights was held at the Pilgrim Church Hall, the speakers being the Opposition spokesman for Minerals and Energy (Mr. Ron Payne) and the Co-ordinator of Aboriginal Studies at the Aboriginal Community College (Mr. Jim Stanley). A resolution was adopted unanimously by the 82 people present, calling on the State Government to pass the Pitjantjatjara Land Rights Bill as soon as possible.

U.N. STATUS OF WOMEN

To mark the U.N. Decade for Women and Development, the National Women's Advisory Council held a conference in Canberra in March 1980 to determine what had been achieved and what still needs to be done. A draft plan of action was prepared by the Council and discussed in South Australia at five regional conferences, and eight delegates were elected for the national conference. The draft plan of action covers women's lives in every aspect. It includes steps to be taken for women within the family and as mothers, for women's access to education and employment and the provision of resources to help women in their daily lives. The conference comprised about 200 women from all over Australia, and recommendations put forward will form a guide to the final Australian plan of action to be presented at the U.N. world conference for the mid-decade to be held in Copenhagen in July this year. We are grateful to Gene Wenham for the work she has done on our behalf in this field.

MEDIA PEACE PRIZE.

Two Adelaide journalists and a member of our S.A. division of UNAA were awarded certificates of merit by the UNAA in the first year of the Media Peace Prize. The journalists were Bill Guy, the Foreign Editor of "The Advertiser", and Robert Ball, the Ethnic Affairs Reporter, while our member who received a certificate was Margaret Forte, honorary secretary in S.A. of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. Our congratulations to them.

TWO MAJOR CONFERENCES AHEAD

Two major peace and security conferences, sponsored by the United Nations Association of Australia, are being held later this year (1980). The first, on the subject "THE INDIAN OCEAN - A ZONE OF PEACE", which is co-sponsored by the Fremantle City Council will be held in W.A. on September 19th. to 21st. The second conference, which is a national disarmament conference, is being held in Sydney on October 25th. Members who would be interested in attending either or both of these conferences should contact our secretary.

FEDERAL ACTIVITY

Our new Federal President Cecile Storey has established an early reputation as a highly competent, very active and devoted leader in the cause of our association. She has worked tirelessly and energetically to raise the level of the association's activity. News releases have been sent out by the president on a number of key United Nations issues and good coverage has resulted from statements on the disturbing situation in south Asia, and on the Human Rights Commission Bill before Federal Parliament. Liaison between the Federal President and the State divisions has increased considerably and this improvement in communications is most welcome. Moves are to be made to alter the constitution so that all divisions may be represented directly on Federal Executive. Encouragement is being given to the establishment of U.N. Youth Associations in each division and for the U.N. Youth Association to develop its own Federal structure. Recently the Federal research officer Jeremy Salt prepared a report on the situation of the Aboriginal people on Noonkanbah station in W.A. This report, together with UNAA resolutions supporting the Aboriginal call for a three-year moratorium on mining at Noonkanbah, and for the setting up of a Royal Commission on the question of Aboriginal land rights was well publicised. The next meeting of Federal Council will be held in Melbourne at St. Hilda's College, University of Melbourne on August 15th. - 18th.

THANKS FOR SERVICE

My deep personal gratitude to all those who have given service to our association during the past year, particularly to all members of the management committee and of the executive, and to those on the committees, also to the very valued helpers who give so much time assisting in the office. Finally I want to express the gratitude of all of us to our secretary Barbara Whitney who contributes greatly to the effectiveness of our South Australian division.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

At the same time I want to use this opportunity to call for volunteers for work in certain areas. We need a new honorary secretary and a new honorary treasurer of our disarmament committee and we urgently require someone for the job of S.A. liaison for the Media Peace Prize this year. If you can help in any of these areas we would be most grateful. The work, though not very demanding, is most important.

CONCLUSION

The drift towards a more militarised world situation during the last six months is most dangerous. It calls for all people of goodwill to unite around the globe to ensure that the unacceptable does not happen. There is now no rational alternative to peace. Therefore ordinary people like ourselves must devote understanding and energy during the coming weeks and months in support of policies of peace, security and co-operation.

C. J. HOSKYNs.

President, S. A. Division UNAA.

REPORT ON UNICEF 1979 - 80

1979 will be most remembered by UNICEF personnel as the International Year of the Child, UNICEF being the lead agency was heavily involved. The South Australian Division was represented on the State Committee and was mainly concerned with the International sub-committee, which meant attending committee meetings and helping with decision making.

The increased invitations for speakers to visit schools, Scout, Guide, Cub and Brownie packs, church groups and clubs, made an enormous demand on the helpers in the office, but the reward of handsome donations as well as the increase in knowledge about UNICEF which came as a result of these engagements, made the whole programme worthwhile.

I would like to say here how privileged I felt to have been nominated and voted in as a UNICEF Director for South Australia at the Council meeting held in Brisbane last August. The amount of work to be carried out is quite colossal. Another privilege was to have attended a UNICEF Seminar, held in Sydney, when some of the people who actually work in the field for UNICEF were present, and gave accounts of their work, explaining how projects are born and put into practice, then how at the other end of the scale the people who work in the UNICEF office in New York have to work out how the money is to be found to carry out these projects, and it is from one of these field workers Dr. Michael Irwin that the main project of the International Year of the Child as far as UNICEF in Australia was concerned came into being.

This project was called the Vitamin A Eyesight Appeal, which because of the immense seriousness of the situation in Bangladesh regarding the eyesight - or lack of it in the children of this country is to be a continuing project for this year as well. The response to the year was quite overwhelming and even though UNICEF cares for children every year, all the year, at least many more people are now aware of the plight of so many children the world over which hitherto had been overlooked.

Once again the Universal Children's Day was celebrated throughout South Australia. This day takes place in Australia on the Fourth Wednesday in October when the hope is that all the children here will think of children in other lands who are not so fortunate as most of them in Australia. One of the great things this year was that several schools bought United Nations flags, and flew them on Universal Children's Day. Again invitations for speakers came in, and happily we were able to fulfil these requests.

The Greeting Card Operation has been a very large commitment, and here I must make mention of the invaluable work undertaken by Isabel and Bob Hetherington who stepped in as a team to work for UNICEF when the need was so great. The ordering, the checking, the stock-taking, the accounting and the general responsibility of this enormous project is one of which few people would have any comprehension. Thanks must also go to the band of volunteers who do so many "mundane" but very necessary jobs, and without whom the UNICEF office would just not function.

We still had our days when we had to man the Charity Card Shop - our takings there this year were very satisfactory and on at least two other occasions we participated in Fairs, when we were able to have a stall at which to sell UNICEF cards, diaries and calendars. One of these such fairs was organized by the International Committee of the Girl Guides, and stalls on this day were run by various groups within the community. Three of the groups involved gave their takings for the day as a donation to UNICEF which was gratefully accepted.

The Earth Fair is about our biggest function of the year, both in time consumption and money raising, it being two complete days plus time beforehand in setting up the stall. This year the goods sold valued at approximately \$1,400 which, although hard work was most rewarding.

The Boy Scout Association was very generous to UNICEF this year, and on the occasion of the Northern Suburbs Gang Show which was held at Elizabeth in May, I was presented with a cheque being the evening's takings as a donation to UNICEF, and again in October when Scout Week was held, on their final day I was invited to be presented with another cheque, this time in Elder Park, which was monies collected by members of various Scout Troops.

These donations are so gratefully received as the child emergencies in the world are so vast at present - we have two hundred and fifty million deprived children on our conscience.

The Educational work of UNICEF is a large part of the work undertaken in the office. The material obtainable is of a very high quality, and the requests from school librarians who recognise this factor are very pleasing. The slide sets, the books, the poster sets and information pamphlets are now permanent features of our promotion programmes.

As an ending to this report may I once again say a sincere "Thank You" to the many voluntary helpers who have worked so hard and happily throughout the year and may we remember the children of to-day are the world of tomorrow and they deserve the best we have to give.

Barbara Whitney - Director,
UNICEF Committee of Australia.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE

YEAR ENDED 31st. MARCH

1980

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GENERAL OPERATING ACCOUNT

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st. MARCH 1980

<u>INCOME:</u>		
<u>1979</u>		<u>1980</u>
3472	Subscriptions.	2013.50
380	Donations	500.45
-	Bequest - Estate S. Roach (Dec'd).	1467.32
2422	Publications - sold	5863.59
(1080)	bought	5160.85
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		702.74
191	Interest - Bank.	411.78
4773	Commission - UNICEF	3396.62
-	Federal Subsidy.	335.00
2500	State Government Grant.	3000.00
760	Functions. (Note 3.)	(174.60)
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\$ 13426		\$ 11552.81
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UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA.SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONGENERAL OPERATING ACCOUNTBALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st. MARCH 1980

<u>1979</u>		
	<u>CURRENT ASSETS.</u>	
5063	Cash in Bank - General A/c	2246.84
344	- J. H. Vaughan A/c.	358.80
4	Cash in Hand.	18.79
2536	Accounts Receivable. (Note 1.)	3396.62
4000	Australian Savings Bonds.	4000.00
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\$ 11947.		\$ 10021.05
	<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES.</u>	
1116	Accounts Payable. (Note 2.)	162.00
120	Provision for Holiday Pay.	154.00
1020	Provision for Long Service Leave.	1255.50
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2326		1571.50
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9621		\$ 8449.55
	<u>FIXED ASSETS (at cost less depreciation.)</u>	
1638	Furniture & Fittings	1392.30
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\$ 11259		\$ 9841.85
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	Represented by:-	
	<u>ACCUMULATED FUNDS.</u>	
11259	Balance as at 1.4.79	11259.28
609	Net Deficit.	1417.43
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\$ 11259		\$ 9841.85
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DEPRECIATION SCHEDULE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st. MARCH 1980

<u>1979</u>		<u>1980</u>
	<u>Furniture & Equipment.</u>	
1750	Depreciated value at 1.4.79	1638.00
152	Additions during year.	- -
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1902		1638.00
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264	Less Depreciation at 15% p.a.	245.70
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\$ 1638	Depreciated value at 31.3.80	\$ 1392.30
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UNICEF ACCOUNT

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st. MARCH 1980

<u>1979</u>		<u>1980</u>
	<u>INCOME :</u>	
23791	Sales Proceeds - cards etc.	25978.60
4282	Donations - General	7214.41
-	Donations - Vitamin A Appeal	1105.37
-	Donations - Kampuchean Appeal.	992.68
327	Interest - Bank.	347.19
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28400		35638.25
	<u>EXPENDITURE :</u>	
23014	Remittances to Central Office.	29184.67
459	Postages and Freight.	227.15
93	Promotion Expenses	57.50
84	Travelling.	182.18
361	Printing and Stationery.	227.40
4773	Commission Paid	3396.62
180	General Office Expenses.	79.31
506	Purchases for Re-sale.	- -
-	Subscriptions.	35.00
-	Import Tax.	1798.42
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29470		35188.25
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\$ (1070)	Excess of Income over Expenditure.	\$ 450.00
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UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIASOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONUNICEF ACCOUNTBALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st, MARCH 1980

<u>1979</u>		<u>1980</u>
	<u>CURRENT ASSETS:</u>	
970	Cash in Bank.	5328.28
17	Cash in Hand.	19.65
-	Accounts Receivable.	
	(Note 2.)	726.38
-	Deposit Stock.	1000.00
\$ 987		7074.31
	<u>Less Current Liabilities.</u>	
-	Accounts Payable. (Note 3.)	5637.33
\$ 987		\$ 1436.98
	<u>RETAINED BY:-</u>	
	<u>ACCUMULATED FUNDS:</u>	
2057	Balance at 1.4.79	986.98
(1070)	Add Surplus of Income over Expenditure.	450.00
\$ 987	Balance of Retained Funds at	\$ 1436.98
	31.3.80 (Note 1.)	

NOTE 1.

At each financial year-end only a small balance of funds is retained by the Division, sufficient to finance the purchase of further goods for re-sale and to run the selling operation.

NOTE 2.

Accounts Receivable of \$726.38 consists of amounts owing for cards at 31.3.80

NOTE 3.

Accounts Payable.	
Commission due to UNAA (S.A.)	3396.62
Remittances to Head Office.	2240.71
	5637.33

\$ 5637.33

NOTE 4.

Since these accounts have been prepared an amount of \$110.28 has been received from Head Office representing freight & postage refunded for Eyesight Appeal.

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OTHER ACCOUNTS

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st. MARCH 1980.

(a) HUMAN RIGHTS YEAR ACCOUNT.

Balance in Bank 1.4.79	103.62
Bank Interest.	3.66
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Balance 31.3.80	\$ 107.48
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E.M. ROACH BEQUEST.

(b)		
The Savings Bank of S.A. - Deposit Stock.	900.00	
Interest.	73.44	
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	973.44	
Balance at Bank 1.4.79	520.69	
Bank Interest.	18.57	
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	539.26	
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Balance at 31.3.80	\$ 1512.70	
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(c) H.E. HOOPER LEGACY.

Balance at Bank. 1.4.79	286.75
Bank Interest.	11.85
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Balance at 31.3.80	\$ 298.60
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(d) J.H. VAUGHAN LEGACY

Balance 1.4.79	344.02
Bank Interest.	14.78
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Balance 31.3.80	\$ 358.80
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Signature.....
D.L. HARRADINE.
Honorary Treasurer.

Signature.....
B.M. WHITNEY.
General Secretary.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the books of account, deeds and vouchers of the United Nations Association of Australia (South AUSTRALIAN Division) and from this examination, together with the explanations received, report that, in my opinion, the above Statements of Receipts and Payments for the Six funds for the year ended 31st. March 1980 together with the Balance Sheet of the General Funds as at 31st. March 1980, give a true and fair view of the financial position of U.N.A.A. (S.A. Division).

Signature.....
LEO JOHN GORE Honorary Auditor.

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIASOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONEXPLANATORY NOTES ACCOMPANYING THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED31st. MARCH 1980NOTE 1.ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE;

UNICEF Commission.	\$	<u>3396.62</u>
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NOTE 2.ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Rent.	\$	<u>162.00</u>
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NOTE 3.FUNCTIONS.

(Income less direct expenses)

W.H.O. Luncheon.	48.80
U.N. Luncheon - WILPF	8.00
AHMIC.	69.17
Namibia Day.	(12.50)
Federal Council Meeting.	52.80
Federal Conference Expenses.	<u>(340.95)</u>
	\$ (174.60)

NOTE 4.BASIS OF ACCOUNTING:

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention and accordingly balance sheet values do not necessarily reflect realisable values or changes in the purchasing power of money.

The income and expenditure concept has been applied with the exception that no account has been taken of members subscriptions in advance or in arrears.