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#### FINANCE

The official Public Appeal for the Welsh Centre for International Affairs lasted from October 1970 to December 1972. In that period, including grossed-up covenants and funds from Trusts, which are being received over a number of years, some £55,000 was raised at a cost of £2,000. Since then a further £11,059 has been received or promised, of which Local Authorities have contributed £6,060. The actual cash from covenants, (not including Income Tax rebates) Trusts and promises to be received (1974-81) is some £14,000.

The Appeal Funds, with the exception of specially ear-marked donations of £1225, are held in the U.N.A. (Wales) Trust. Member organisations of the Co-ordinating Committee each contribute a £25 annual fee to the Welsh Centre for International Affairs account, which at 31st August 1974 stood at £260 (which includes interest).

To consolidate this promising start, it is imperative that the Centre obtains an annual guaranteed income so that it can expand and develop its work by appointing suitably qualified staff with attractive career prospects; the Centre's programme should be self-financing. This is why the support of Local Authorities has been so important and so gratifying. In accordance with the request of the Standing Conference further efforts are being made to obtain a Government grant to enable the Centre to take advantage of the opportunities which are obviously opening for it and for which additional staff will be needed. It is important to set a high standard in these early days so that the Centre may prove itself worthy of the international tradition of Wales.

## Opening Ceremony

The Welsh Centre for International Affairs was officially opened by Lady Tweedsmuir, Minister of State at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, at the Temple of Peace in Cardiff on the 11th October 1973.

Presiding over the evening was the Hon. Edward Davies the President of the Welsh Centre for International Affairs and son of the first Lord Davies of Llandinam, the founder of the Temple of Peace.

The main hall of the Temple of Peace was crowded with 500 people from every part of Wales, representative of Welsh life and institutions. Also present were Mr. K. Pittendrigh of the United Nations Information Centre, London, who represented the Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr. G. V. Shukla, who represented the High Commissioner of India, and Mr. T. W. Keeble, Head of the United Nations Department, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, together with Sir Cennydd Traherne, Lord Lieutenant of Glamorgan.

Messages of Goodwill were received from the Secretary-General of the United Nations, Dr. K. Waldheim, from the Director of the World Health Organisation, Dr. H. Mahler, and from the Secretary of State for Wales, the Rt. Hon. Peter Thomas, Q.C., M.P. (Appendix).

In her speech, Lady Tweedsmuir emphasised that: 'The ideal behind this Welsh Centre is of the first importance. The work done here will, I am sure, increase awareness of the problems and realities of international affairs. We all know that the most secure democracy is one in which the electorate is well informed about all branches of public affairs. It is the only way whereby the people of a country can influence Government. The fact that the Temple of Peace was founded in Wales so long ago in the thirties, and that it is a Welsh University that has endowed the first Professorships of International Relations bear witness to the good record of Wales in keeping the minds of the people of this country open to the outside world'. 'We must not relax our own attachment to the fabric of international law; nor relax our attempt to understand and to persuade those who do not share our views. We look to a gathering like this within the Welsh Centre to help to create a body of informed public opinion. This, in turn, will help us in the interpretation of the British national interest. That is why I am so glad to come here to-day — and to have this chance to wish you well in all you seek to do'.

The vote of thanks was given by Mrs. J. T. Morgan, M.B.E., J.P., Chairman of the Freedom from Hunger Campaign Committee for Wales.

## Activities

### (a) ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS

#### (i) World Population Year 1974

The highlight of the year was the major U.N. Conference at Bucharest, 19th–30th August. Mr. J. Hamish Richards, University College, Cardiff, represented the Welsh Centre at the Conference and is taking part in a post-conference evaluation at Cardiff on 24th October. The Welsh Centre organised the United Kingdom Youth Preparatory Conference, sponsored by the United Nations Fund for Population Activities, at Cardiff on 14th–16th December 1973. This was one of a series of Conferences for young people which took place in various member countries of the United Nations, as a prelude to World Population Year, and a Youth Forum was held side by side with the Non-Governmental Organisations Tribune at the Bucharest Conference.

The United Kingdom Youth Conference was chaired by Lord Caradon, former Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom at the United Nations and a member of the Executive Board of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities, and opened by the Hon. Edward Davies.

Lectures included: 'Population Growth — An Overall Assessment' by Mr. Hamish Richards, David Owen Centre for Population Growth Studies, University College, Cardiff, 'The Effects of Overpopulation', Dr. P. Brain, Department of Zoology, University College, Swansea, 'Communication and Motivation in Family Planning', Mrs. S. Ramdoyal, Government Family Planning Programme, Mauritius, and 'Methods of Population Control', Dr. John Loraine, Department of Social Medicine, University of Edinburgh.

The Conference passed a resolution calling upon 'the British Government to adopt a National Population Policy and to provide for youth representation among its delegates to Bucharest'. It also believed that it was essential that population should not be considered in isolation from the need for economic development and social justice throughout the world.

The Conference Report was sent to The Secretary of State for Wales, the Minister for Overseas Development, the Head of the U.N. Department at the Foreign Office, Leaders in Wales of the Labour and Liberal Parties and Plaid Cymru and to the Chairman of the Parliamentary Select Committee on Overseas Aid.

The Welsh Centre convened the United Kingdom follow-up meetings in the House of Lords, until a United Kingdom Secretariat was set up to co-ordinate the programme.

Mr. John Rowley, the Managing Editor of 'People', the quarterly Journal of the International Planned Parenthood Federation, addressed a special meeting at Bridgend on 15th March. Mr. Rowley was responsible for producing a daily tabloid at Bucharest, 'Planet', which carried the Conference news to all the delegates. The

June issue of the Welsh Centre Newsletter contained a briefing of the Bucharest Conference.

**(ii) Law of the Sea Conference, Caracas, Venezuela, 20th June — 29th August**

The Director of the Welsh Centre, Mr. W. R. Davies, took part in a special Foreign and Commonwealth Office Seminar on 15th May, in London, chaired by Mr. David Ennals, Minister of State, and attended by Sir Roger Jackling, Head of the British delegation at the Conference, to consult with interested organisations on Britain's policy at the Conference. A briefing was included in the June Welsh Centre Newsletter. Capt. Edgar Gold (University of Wales Institute of Science and Technology) will be speaking at a post-conference evaluation at Cardiff on 2nd October, as well as taking part in a later Congress in West Wales.

**(iii) World Food Conference, Rome, Italy, 5th — 16th November**

Mr. W. R. Davies took part in a special session at the Ministry for Overseas Development in London on 23rd July, when representatives of interested organisations discussed British policy at the Conference with members of the Government delegation; Mr. Granville Fletcher, former Head of the United Nations Rome Office and Senior Consultant to the Centre for Economic and Social Information (C.E.S.I.), Geneva, will be taking part in a pre-conference analysis on 28th September; and there will be a special post-conference analysis on 10th December, involving participants at Rome.

**(iv) World Energy and Resources**

A special session of the U.N. General Assembly took place in April 1974 to consider the international implications of the oil crisis and this is to be the theme for the 1974 Abergavenny Residential Conference and the North West Wales Congress at Bangor, both to be held in November.

**(v) United Nations Second Development Decade**

The 1973 North Wales Congress on Britain's Role in the U.N. Second Development Decade was held in Bangor on the 26th November. The Guest Speaker was Mr. Antony Tasker, Director of the Overseas Development Institute, and the Chairman, Dr. J. A. Davies, Principal of the Normal College, Bangor. The Congress was attended by representatives of various organisations in the area.

**(b) POLITICAL AND SECURITY AFFAIRS**

**(i) The Middle East**

This was the subject of a Residential Conference at The Hill, Abergavenny, in conjunction with the Monmouthshire Education Authority in November 1973. The Chairman and speakers included Mr. Michael Adams, Director of Information, Council for Arab-British Understanding; Dr. Ghadi Karmi, Chairman, Palestine Action; Mr. Marcus Einfeld, Director, Commonwealth Affairs, World Jewish Congress; Mr. Michael Fulton, Israel Information Office and Mr. Malcolm Pill. Mr. Paul Wilkinson, University College, Cardiff, was the Conference co-ordinator.

There was agreement on the acceptability of a United Nations peace-keeping force to police a settlement, with no individual protagonist being able to demand, unilaterally, the withdrawal of the force, and the need for the existence, for some time, of demilitarised zones.

**(ii) Cyprus and Northern Ireland.**

These are being discussed at a North East Wales Congress at Wrexham on 16th — 17th December 1974 on the subject of 'Conflict — the Problem of Containment and Peaceful Resolution'. The speakers will include Lord Caradon, the last British Governor of Cyprus, Brigadier Michael Harbottle, the former U.N. Chief of Staff on the island and Mr. David Bleakley, the former Ministry for Community Relations in Northern Ireland.

**(c) GOODWILL MESSAGE OF THE YOUTH OF WALES TO THE WORLD  
— MAY 1974**

The Goodwill Day Message of the Youth of Wales to the World was proclaimed from the steps of the Temple of Peace on 17th May, in eleven languages, Breton, Chinese, English, French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Italian, Russian, Spanish and Welsh, by pupils of Cardiff Schools. The message was composed by the children of Amlwch. It was proclaimed a day early (Goodwill Day is the 18th May) because the 18th fell on a Saturday.

The Speakers included, Dr. Meredydd G. Hughes, Chairman C.E.W.C.—Cymru and Mr. Evan Isaac, International Secretary of the Urdd. Following the Ceremony a short service was held at the War Memorial in Cathays Park, conducted by the Rev. D. R. Evans, St. John's Church, Cardiff.

**(d) STUDY GROUPS — THE SETTLEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS  
IN A NUCLEAR AGE**

Twenty seven study groups have been set up to date in every county of Wales, to consider various aspects of this problem; the Political Role of the United Nations, Disarmament, Preventive Diplomacy, the Law of the Sea, the Rule of Law, Development, and Human Rights.

**(e) 1975-6 THE ROLE OF THE SUPER POWERS WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE  
TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON THE 200th ANNIVERSARY  
OF THE SIGNING OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE.**

Lord Harlech, a former British Ambassador in Washington, and an Honorary Consultant of the Welsh Centre, is to be the Chairman of a special conference in April 1976, the details of which are being prepared.

**(f) SCHOOLS CURRICULUM PROJECT**

C.E.W.C. — Cymru, one of the constituent organisations of the Welsh Centre, has been awarded £1,000 over two years, by the Catherine and Lady Grace James

Foundation, to undertake a Curriculum Development Project to investigate 'The Place, Organisation and Teaching of World Studies' in schools in Wales.

**(g) LINKS WITH UNITED NATIONS AGENCIES, INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND UNITED KINGDOM COMMITTEES**

**(i) United Nations**

Discussions are taking place with Mr. Curtis Roosevelt, the Head of the Non-Governmental Organisations Section of the United Nations Economic and Social Council, to ascertain what specific links can be established between the Welsh Centre and the United Nations.

**(ii) United Kingdom Committee on Overseas Aid and Development**

The Welsh Centre has become the national body for Wales on V.C.O.A.D., the Committee which co-ordinates the relationship of the Ministry for Overseas Development and Britain's major aid organisations.

**(iii) United Nations Childrens Fund**

A constituent body of the Welsh Centre, the United Nations Association, Welsh National Council, has become the Agency in Wales for UNICEF. This ensures that no unnecessary overlapping and duplications of effort takes place.

**(h) 1975-ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**

The David Davies Memorial Institute, a constituent organisation of the Welsh Centre, is studying the uses of waters around the United Kingdom. It is completing its study of the North Sea and will next consider the Celtic sea. Discussions are taking place about the possibility of a Conference in West Wales on the Celtic Sea in 1975.

**(L) INTERNATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMME**

**(i) Long Term**

The Welsh Centre, together with the Cardiff Branch of the United Nations Association, sponsored Martin Griffiths, a twenty-two year old graduate of the London School of African and Oriental Studies, to work as a field-programme associate in Laos. Mr. Griffiths is responsible for all U.N.I.C.E.F. supplies.

**(ii) Medium Term**

Klaus Jensen	(Denmark)	December 1973 – June 1974 Ely Hospital, Cardiff
Garsten Neilsen	(Denmark)	February – August 1974 Eithinog Cheshire Home, Colwyn Bay.
Patrick Burke	(United States)	June 1974 – July 1975 South Glamorgan Hospital Group
Suha Sandogan	(Turkey)	July – December 1974 South Glamorgan Hospital Group

**(iii) Short Term – Summer Work-camps**

9 camps took place in Wales in 1974 involving some 105 volunteers from 15 countries.

June 26th-July 16th	Cardiff	Manual Project at Hamadryad Geriatric Hospital.
July 8th-28th	St. Brides	Ward Project at the Kensington Geriatric Hospital.
July 9th-30th	Denbigh	Manual Project at the North Wales Hospital
July 13th-August 3rd	Carmarthen	Making a summer garden at hospital for mentally handicapped at Llanybyther
July 13th-August 3rd	Tumble	Making a wind-break for patients at a geriatric hospital.
July 19th-August 3rd	Gwernogle	Taking deprived children on holiday.
August 2nd-23rd	Pontypridd	Providing a play space for a housing estate.
August 3rd-17th	Rhandir Mwyn	Work on a centre for education and training of handicapped children.
August 3rd-24th	Cardiff	Decorating and gardening in homes of the disabled.

Receptions were held for all the campers so that they could meet local authority leaders and representatives of the local community.

The organisations represented on the Co-Ordinating Committee have made an important contribution to the activities described above, but it has not been felt necessary to refer to them specifically in each case. Their own activities are described below in detail (Pages 17 – 19 ) and copies of their Annual Reports are available upon request.

**(j) DIARY OF MAJOR CONFERENCES AND CONGRESSES**

November 1973	Abergavenny	The Middle East
November 1973	Bangor	North West Wales Congress on Britain's Role in the Second Development Decade.
December 1973	Cardiff	U.K. Youth Conference on Population and Development.
April 1974	Swansea	National Residential Sixth Form Conference.
July 1974	Aberystwyth	National Residential Welsh Language Sixth Form Conference.
July 1974	Bangor	U.N.E.S.C.O. Schools International Conference
July 1974	Aberystwyth	International Graduate Summer School in Librarianship and Information Science.

### (k) SPECIAL MEETINGS AND TOURS

March 15th Brigend: John Rowley — 'Population and Development.'

March 23rd-27th: South and West His Excellency the High Commissioner for  
Wales: India, Mr. B. K. Nehru.

The High Commissioner's itinerary included: Swansea, where he was given a Civic Reception at the Guildhall presided over by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor P. P. Evans, Milford Haven, where he visited the B.P. Oil Refinery, followed by a tour of the Haven aboard the launch of the Port Authority; a visit underground at Cynheidre Colliery followed by a lunch at Carmarthen, given by the Chairman of the Dyfed County Council, Councillor H. H. Roberts; the British Steel Corporation Port Talbot, where Mr. Nehru was received by the Managing Director, Mr. M. P. D. Allen, where Lord Heycock Chairman, West Glamorgan County Council was among the party; Cwmbran New Town, where the High Commissioner was welcomed by the Chairman of the Development Corporation, Lord Raglan, followed by a lunch in his honour, given by the Chairman of the Cwmbran Urban District Council, Councillor D. G. Price, attended by representatives of the Monmouthshire and Gwent County Councils, including the Chairman of Monmouthshire, Alderman D. W. Evans and the Leader of Gwent, Councillor Oliver James; a visit to the Welsh Folk Museum at St. Fagans.

In addition there was a reception at the Temple of Peace, where the host was Mr. Malcolm Pill, Chairman of the Co-ordinating Committee of the Welsh Centre, after which the High Commissioner attended the World Premiere of 'The Beach of Falesa' at the New Theatre, Cardiff as a member of the party of the Chairman of the South Glamorgan County Council, Councillor Emyr Currie-Jones, and a subsequent reception given by H.T.V.

May 1st - 3rd Clwyd Brigadier Michael Harbottle.

The former U.N. Chief of Staff in Cyprus was entertained to lunch by the Mayor of Wrexham Maelor, Councillor Morgan Jones, and then spoke to school gatherings at Wrexham and Prestatyn, and to representatives of local organisations and Councils at the Kelsteton Technical College, Connah's Quay.

August 2nd - 5th West Wales Mr. Alan James

Mr. James, Political Consul at the United States Embassy, London, represented the Ambassador at the Annual Gymanfu Ganu of North America at Swansea on 2nd August, before proceeding to Carmarthen to visit the National Eisteddfod where he attended the official lunch given by the Chairman of the Dyfed County Council.

## Specialist Committees

### DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

One of the most important functions of the Welsh Centre is to act as a co-ordinating point for the activities of organisations with international interests in Wales. A considerable step forward has been the formation of a Development Committee, composed initially of representatives of C.E.W.C.—Cymru, Christian Aid, Freedom from Hunger Campaign, OXFAM, Save the Children Fund, U.N. Association and War on Want. The organisations will, while retaining their individual autonomies, co-operate and combine on aspects of their programme wherever this is possible.

### Other Specialist Committees

Discussions are taking place with regard to the formation of committees in other fields such as political and security and maritime affairs.



for External Affairs of the European Economic Community which contained a number of proposals designed to protect the interests of the developing countries in their relations with the E.E.C.

At the Annual General Meeting of U.N.A. (United Kingdom) in April, at Weston, the three Welsh National Council Resolutions on European Security, Rhodesia and Trading Relations between the E.E.C. and the Third World were all approved. The Welsh National Council Delegates were led by Mr. Malcolm Pill and included Mr. Robert Davies, Mrs. Muriel Davies and Mr. W. R. Davies. In April, too, the Secretary wrote to the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary about the trial of Mr. Peter Niesewand.

In December, Resolutions were passed on The Middle East, Human Rights and World Population Year, while some Branches participated in the European Week Campaign, co-ordinated by the World Development Movement to focus attention on the relationship between Europe and the Third World.

The Executive discussed in September and December, and finally adopted a memorandum presented by Mr. Ieuan John (Aberystwyth) on 'Reconstituted Machinery for Policy Making', which streamlined policy matters. Mr. John, together with Mr. Hamish Richards and Mr. Paul Wilkinson, both of University College, Cardiff, constituted the initial Policy Panel.

**Women's Advisory Council.** The Council had a most successful year with good attendances and several new organisations sending delegates and observers. Speakers at the quarterly meetings, included Miss Wendy Wedgebury (U.K. Standing Conference of the U.N. Second Development Decade), Mrs. Peggy Crane, (former United Kingdom Political Secretary of U.N.A.), Mr. Robert Davies, (International Service Officer for the Welsh National Council), Mr. Ravi Soni (Lecturer), and Mrs. Hilary Edwards (U.K. Secretary of Women's Advisory Council, U.N.A.) At a subsequent Annual General Meeting, Mrs. Irene Williams, M.B.E. (Penarth), was re-elected Chairman and Mrs. Eve Edwards (Cardiff) Honorary Secretary.

#### **(b) COUNCIL FOR EDUCATION IN WORLD CITIZENSHIP-CYMRU**

At the Annual General Meeting in Cardiff on 18th May, Dr. A. B. Oldfield-Davies was re-elected President and Dr. Meredydd G. Hughes, Chairman. Professor Glyn O. Phillips and Mr. R. C. Parry were re-elected Joint-Treasurers. During the last year, the work of the Council progressed towards all its designated objectives.

School membership increased by ten members and now stands at approximately 60 per cent of all Secondary Schools in Wales, together with some Primary and Junior Schools, and Colleges of Education and Further Education. Following visits of the Secretariat to various Teachers' Centres, where talks were given to teachers on the work of C.E.W.C.-Cymru and its services, an approach was made to all Teachers' Centres in Wales for them to affiliate.

In the servicing of member schools, over 150 visits have been made by the Secretariat, where either talks have been given to pupils on various aspects of world affairs, or C.E.W.C.-Cymru activities discussed with members of staff, and advice given on teaching methods and materials. Member schools have been supplied regularly with information and materials, and numerous requests answered for help from individual staff and pupils with regard to help on materials, information and visual aids. The various area committees have also been helped by the Secretariat in planning and organising their various activities.

During the year, about twenty National and Area Conferences have been held for pupils and industrial apprentices. In the school sphere, these have included second form, middle school, non-academic fifth form, and sixth form. Highlights included a week's Conference for Anglesey pupils on The Environment in May, the National Residential Sixth Form Conference on World Problems through the media of English and Welsh, held in April and July respectively and the National Residential Apprentices' Conference in September, organised in conjunction with the Development Corporation for Wales.

It was agreed to adopt a U.N.I.C.E.F. Project concerned with the supply of water, child feeding, child health and nutritional surveillance in the drought ravaged Sahelian region, to commence in the autumn.

#### **(c) FREEDOM FROM HUNGER CAMPAIGN, WALES**

The Wales Committee of the Freedom from Hunger Campaign, under the Chairmanship of Mrs. J. T. Morgan, is to support projects of the United Nations Children's Fund (U.N.I.C.E.F.)

A Ladies Committee was set up in Cardiff on June 10th and is planning a Spring Fair for mid-1975. An Indian project has been chosen involving one or more of the following components; applied nutrition, child care services and education.

At the inaugural meeting it was pointed out that the nations of the world spend some \$200 million per annum for military purposes. By contrast, U.N.I.C.E.F. had \$81 million to help a child population of 850 million in developing countries in 1973. It is concerned with child health - deaths of children under six are at twenty times the level in industrialised countries; child nutrition - an estimated eleven million infants and children suffer severe vitamin A deficiency, which can lead to blindness; education - at least 100 million children, between seven and ten are illiterate in developing countries; family-child welfare - day-care services are available for less than one per cent of 480 million pre-school children in developing countries; and relief and rehabilitation.

## Obituary

### PROFESSOR TREFOR EVANS (1913-74)

All associated with the Welsh Centre were very sorry to hear of the sudden death of Professor Evans at Aberystwyth on 16th April. A member of the Standing Conference, Professor Evans was on his way to Swansea, where he was to give the Inaugural Lecture at the CEWC-Cymru National Residential Sixth Form Conference. The holder of the Woodrow Wilson Chair of International Politics at University College, Aberystwyth, Professor Evans had spent most of his life in the Diplomatic Service. He served extensively in the Middle East in Cairo, Damascus, Aleppo and Beirut. His final post was Ambassador to Iraq, before going to Aberystwyth in 1969.

The Welsh Centre was represented by Mr. W. R. Davies at the Memorial Service on the 10th June at Aberystwyth.

## Appendix

### MESSAGES OF GOODWILL READ AT THE OPENING CEREMONY 11th OCTOBER 1973

#### From the Secretary-General of the United Nations:

'It gives me great pleasure to have this opportunity to send my congratulations and best wishes to all who have been involved in the establishment of the Welsh Centre for International Affairs.

This important venture was the direct result of the work of the Committee which was set up in 1970 to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the United Nations, and I am very glad that they wished to create a permanent memorial of that event. In doing so, they are looking to the future to ensure that there are increased opportunities for the people of Wales to study international affairs. It is regrettable that, at a time when the United Nations is approaching complete universality of membership, and when its work covers almost every aspect of human activity, there is such a widespread lack of recognition of its remarkable achievements. One of the most important features of the world organisation is that it gives the opportunity for all nations not only to be heard but to participate and contribute. Furthermore, although it is an inter-governmental organisation, it depends greatly upon the commitment of individual citizens all over the world to its aims and purposes. Many of the most significant initiatives of the United Nations have been the result of the ideas and actions of individuals, and it is appropriate that this Centre should be established at the Temple of Peace and Health, built by the first Lord Davies of Llandinam.

We live in an interdependent world, with a fragile peace, and with many problems which simply cannot be resolved on a national or even a regional basis. This is the dominant reality of our time, and it is essential that it be recognised.

The United Nations needs, perhaps more than ever before, an informed public which will appreciate its work, its achievements and the problems which it faces. I, therefore, warmly welcome this initiative and in sending my best wishes for the success of the Centre, I wish to thank everyone who has been involved in its establishment.'

Dr. Kurt Waldheim

**From the Director-General of the World Health Organisation:**

'The hopes for a better world order, for peace, health, justice and freedom from want that excited millions of minds in the aftermath of the second world war have sadly dwindled with the years. Yet the bases for progress that were laid after the war have endured and still today offer great scope for action, indeed greater than when expectations for a better world were at their height; for, in the quarter century or so that has elapsed since then, valuable international experience has been gained, improved technology has come within our reach, and the idea of mankind's basic unity on planet Earth has become much more widely accepted. At this point in history, the Welsh Centre for International Affairs clearly serves a purpose of great importance. If international action is to achieve its aim, if peace is to reign, if basic human rights are to be respected, if the health of all people is to be improved, and countries prevented from closing in on themselves in selfish isolation, then developments in the international sphere need to be studied impartially, and knowledge of international action needs to be disseminated in order to rekindle some of the old enthusiasm, and, more important still, to further the practical tasks of getting man to respect his fellows and of giving each child a better chance of growing up to lead a happy, healthy, creative life. I wish you every success.'

**Dr. H. Mahler**

**From the Secretary of State for Wales:**

'As you know I have been most interested in the concept of the Welsh Centre for International Affairs established to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of the United Nations.

The people of Wales have long been aware of the significance of the Temple of Peace and of the work which has been carried on from this fine building in the promotion of international understanding. I am sure they are impressed, as I am, by this imaginative decision to develop and extend that work.

Through this Centre, Wales will make a contribution of real and continuing value to the cause of peace and the safeguarding of human rights. There is no greater ideal than working for the benefit of all mankind.'

**Rt. Hon. Peter Thomas Q.C., M.P.**

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## Publications and Press Cuttings

The Welsh Centre receives over forty publications and reports on all aspects of international affairs from the United Nations, regional organisations and from other sources.

A press-cuttings service has been instituted by the staff with the help of Mr. F. J. Weaver (U.N. Association).

## Reports of Organisations represented on The Co-ordinating Committee

### (a) UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION, WELSH NATIONAL COUNCIL

The Twenty-eighth Annual General Meeting of the Welsh National Council of U.N.A. took place at Bridgend on 16th March, 1974. It was presided over by the retiring President, the Hon. Edward Davies who was succeeded by the unanimous vote of the delegates, by Mrs. J. T. Morgan (Swansea). Mr. Davies became the Hon. President of the Council. Mr. A. Foster (Bridgend) was re-elected Hon. Treasurer. At a subsequent meeting of the Executive Committee, Mr. Malcolm Pill (Whitchurch) was re-elected Chairman.

**Annual Report.** In his Report, the Secretary Mr. W. R. Davies said that 1973 marked a watershed in the affairs of the Council. The Welsh Centre was opened, thus fulfilling Lord Davies' aim for the Temple of Peace, and the establishment of the Standing Conference of the Centre enabled constitutional contact to be established with many leading Welsh organisations and institutions.

**The Branches.** In March, the first of what was planned to be an Annual Meeting of Branch Officers took place, to examine the central question What is the function of the Branch and how best can it fulfil it?

Certain valuable suggestions arose, notably that each year Branches should convene a Congress of selected organisations and individuals in their towns to discuss an important international issue. A Branch Essay Competition was instituted, and won by Dr. Illtyd David (Swansea).

**Branch Liaison Officer.** During 1972, some forty-one meetings took place, involving the Branch Liaison Officer, Mr. W. Davies (Cwmbran) with a wide variety of organisations, such as Lions, Soroptimists and Rotary Clubs. The work of U.N.A. was also presented at the Methodist Synod. As a result, meetings took place at various Methodist Churches over a wide area. They were well attended, with anything from fifteen to one hundred and fifty people being present.

**Membership.** The membership figures for 1973 were fairly constant, there being a fall of twelve from 1,026 to 1,014. Increases were shown at Cwmbran, 43 – 63; Whitchurch, 32 – 50; Rogerstone, 37 – 40; Neyland, 33 – 36, and Wrexham, 50 – 52.

With the appointment of an Assistant Secretary, more intensive campaigning and more specialised methods of recruitment can now be adopted, based on the Association's programme.

**Policy Developments.** In March the Executive Committee, mindful of the killing of diplomats in the Sudan, and the Libyan Air Disaster, urged Her Majesty's Government to take a new initiative to press Egypt and Israel to resolve the Middle East conflict upon the basis of U.N. Resolution No. 242. The Secretary, signed, as part of a national campaign, a letter to Sir Christopher Soames, the Commissioner