

WHERE WAS IT?

The Menu: Peach Punch
Fish en Coquille
Chicken Paulette
Tossed Salad
Boccore Dolce
Coffee

The Guest List: The Hon. J. C. Maddison, Minister of Justice.
Sir John Goodsell, Chairman, Public Service Board.
Mr. W. R. McGeechan, Commissioner of Corrective Services
The Hon. Sir Bernard Sugarman.
His Honour Judge Robson.
His Honour Judge D. S. Hicks.
His Honour Judge H. J. Henchman.
His Honour Judge J. F. Lincoln.
His Honour Judge Aaron Levine.
Professor D. L. Wilhelm.
Professor Norma Parker.
Mr. Bayliss, National Fitness Council.
Mr. M. Farquhar, Chairman of the Bench of Stipendiary Magistrates
Miss Halse Rogers, Executive Secretary, Council of
Social Services.
Mrs. North, Executive Secretary, Civil Rehabilitation
Committees.
Mrs. Wilhelm, Cultural Adviser, Department of
Corrective Services.
Miss Windmill, Superintendent of the Women's Training &
Detention Centre, Silverwater.

The Venue: ?

It could have been the Chevron, Menzies or the Wentworth Hotel, La Popotte - a French restaurant or La Sercnata - an Italian restaurant. In actual fact it was the Women's Training and Detention Centre at Silverwater. The meal was prepared and served, and the tables decorated and attended by women and girls from the Centre who had undergone a course of instruction from a home economics teacher working in a well equipped kitchen at the Centre.

There was a display of pottery and ceramics; decorated Christmas cakes, embroidery and paper flowers.

At the conclusion of the luncheon, guests were conducted through the various houses Carolyn Chisholm, Margaret Catchpole, Mary Reiby (Security), Dining room, Rose Scott (Hospital).

On 21st November, 1969, The Hon J. C Maddison, B.A , LL B , M L.A , Minister of Justice, officially opened the Training and Detention Centre for Women at Silverwater This new accommodation, previously occupied by the Newington State

Hospital, had undergone an extensive renovation and rebuilding programme by staff of the Department of Public Works

During the first week in March, 1970, action was taken to transfer all of the female prison population held in this jurisdiction from the State Reformatory for Women at Long Bay to the Training and Detention Centre for Women at Silverwater

The new accommodation and facilities at Silverwater have enabled the Department of Corrective Services to commence implementation of a modern programme for women offenders involving educational, cultural, social and recreational activities.

The Centre consists of four houses with provision for a fifth, reception, administration, kitchen, dining room, laundry, auditorium, library and classrooms;

Carolyn Chisholm: 32 accommodated on ground floor in single and triple units.
18 (remand section) in triple units on top floor plus physical education, recreation and church.

Margaret Catchpole: 32 accommodated on the ground floor.

Recreation and industries on top floor.

Industries Section: Industrial sewing, pen assembly, key punch operators.

Rose Scott House: Hospital - 5 beds for minor ailments and post natal.
5 beds observation and out patients facilities.
Dental suite.

Mary Reiby House: Security block for women who find difficulty in functioning in a less secure and more challenging environment.

Dining Room: Facilities for 120 women.

Class Rooms - 2: Activities include:- physical education, pottery and ceramics, home economics, general cookery, cake decoration, first aid (St. John), embroidery (N.S.W. Embroiderer's Guild), social graces (hair care, hand care, skin care, deportment and etiquette), family planning (sex education, responsible parenthood). Guest speakers on related subjects.

Education: A full time teacher has been appointed for 1971.

New classes proposed for 1971 include fashion design and dressmaking, gardening (indoor plants, floristics), weaving

The current programme has evolved over a period of five years and while experience has shown that it is possible to carry out an enlightened programme in inconvenient physical surroundings, the present situation has proved most rewarding in the progress made by many women as well as providing congenial surroundings and interests for the staff

The teachers engaged in vocational training are the best in their respective fields and in general are seconded from the appropriate Technical Colleges. In 1971 it is hoped that there will be increased activity in the "active leisure" fields, and drama and music will be introduced.

REPORT OF FIFTH NATIONAL CONFERENCE, PERTH, 1969

All members and delegates have received their copy of the Proceedings of the Fifth National Conference held in Perth in 1969. This booklet was a comprehensive report of the papers and commentaries delivered at the Conference, and it contained other information relating to the Council. Many people have expressed the opinion that the booklet is of value and interest to any persons interested in crime prevention, correction and after-care in Australia.

The National Executive authorised the printing of 1,000 copies of this booklet to ensure that there are ample copies available for sale to interested persons. It was considered that Judges, Magistrates, police officers, prison officers, parole and probation officers, social workers, volunteers and other workers in the correctional field would value the opportunity to have, for their own use, a booklet which represents current thinking on the wide-ranging topics discussed at the Perth Conference.

Members are urged to endeavour to persuade the department, agency or persons with whom they are associated to order copies of the booklet. If members are able to cause some orders to be placed it will assist in disseminating the information contained in the booklet (thereby helping to achieve one of the objects of the Council) and also assist the National Executive to cover part of the heavy expense associated with the publication of the booklet. The booklets (which consists of approximately 200 foolscap pages) are available for \$3 per copy.

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