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PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE.

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27th Jan. 1934.

A meeting of the Publication Committee was held on 27th January, 1934, in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh.

Present. Lord James Stewart Murray, Mrs. Stewart, Miss Dow, Mr. Daltry, Miss Anderson, Miss Milligan, Mrs. Shand, Mr. Low and Miss Forgan (Secretary).

Before proceeding with the business of the meeting it was agreed to co-opt Mr. Low as a member of the Committee.

Bulletin
Dances. The dances selected for the S. C. D. S. Bulletin were discussed and prepared for publication, i.e. Glasgow Highlanders, Speed the Plough, Scottish Reform and Cora Rips. It was agreed to alter the phrasing of the dance in Glasgow Highlanders to make it fit the phrasing of the music. The secretary was instructed

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to ask Mr. Diack of Patersons
from what source he had
obtained the tune used for
Glasgow Highlanders.

MacLachlan A letter was read from
Mrs MacLachlan stating that
she intended to print
several S.C.D.S. dances in her
new Border Book, using
alternative tunes. The
Secretary was instructed
to give Mrs. MacLachlan
permission to use the S.C.D.S.
tunes published in Books
6, 7, and 8, as the copyright
on these books is the property
of the Society.

Book 3
Reprint A letter was read from
Patersons stating that they
were going to reprint
Book 3. The Secretary was
instructed to ask them to
hold over this reprint until
Book 3 had been discussed

by the Committee.

A letter was read from
Patersons replying to a request
from the S.C.D.S. to reduce
the price of the pocket edition
of Books 1, 2, and 3, stating that
they could not do this.

Metronome
Times After trying over metronome
times for reel and strathspey,
it was decided to leave the
matter over until the next
meeting.

This ended the business.

J. Hubert Low.

10th Feb. 1934.

A meeting of the Publications
Committee was held on the
10th February, in the North
British Station Hotel, Glasgow.

Present. Mr Low, Mrs. Stewart,
Miss Dow, Mr. Dalziel, Miss
Anderson, Miss Milligan,
Mrs Shand & Miss Forgan (Sec).

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Apologies. An apology was intimated from Lord James Stewart Murray.

Minutes. The minutes of last meeting were taken as read and approved.

Metronome Times. After trying over metronome times with the piano, it was agreed that the pace at which Strathspey and Reels should be played was as follows: -

Strathspey. one minim = 80-84

Reel - one minim = 120-124

Book 3 As Book 3 was to be re-printed by Patersons, Shotts, the dances were looked over and a few corrections made. It was decided to rewrite entirely the Foursome Reel (no 11) and Reel of Tulloch (no 12). This was done at the meeting. *H. Murray*
This ended the business.

12th April, 1934.

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on the 12th April, 1934, in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh.

Present. Lord James Stewart Murray, Miss Anderson, Miss Dow, Mr. Duthie, Miss Milligan, Mr. Shand, Mr. Stewart & Miss Forgan (Secretary).

Apology. An apology was intimated from Mr. Dow.

Minutes. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

It was agreed that in future final proofs of all S.C.S.S. publications be sent to the members of the Publications Committee for their approval.

Foreword. It was decided to recommend to the Executive Council that Book 9 be published without a foreword.

and that a booklet of instructions in Scottish Country Dancing be drawn up for publication.

Book 9.

The members present danced through some of the proposed Book 9 dances and the Secretary was instructed to send copies of all the dances to the members of the Publications Committee for their approval. This ended the business.

H. Murray

7th July, 1934.

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday 7th July, in the Station Hotel, Perth.

Present.

Lord James Stewart Murray (Chair), Miss Dow, Mr. Duttie, Mr. Low, Miss Milligan, Mrs. Shand, Mrs. Stewart and Miss Fozgan (Secretary).

Minutes

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Apology.

An apology was intimated from Miss Anderson.

The Secretary reported that Patersons were going to reprint Bks 1, 2, and 5 in the Autumn.

Book 9.

After dancing through various dances, the following twelve were selected for Book 9.:-

P.T.O.

1. Miss Clemy Stewart's Reel.
2. The Jump ^{of Atholl's} Waist. (Strathpey)
3. The Duchess's Slipper. (Strathpey)
4. My Love is but a Lassie yet.
5. Mrs. Grant's Fancy. (Strathpey).
6. The Braes of Bushie. (Strathpey)
7. Lord Dalkie's Strathpey.
8. The New Rigged Ship.
9. Cadgers in the Canongate.
10. Hodge Wildfire's Strathpey.
11. The Birs of Abergeldie.
12. Cold Kail. (Medley).

This ended the business.

J. Murray

3rd November 1934.

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday, 3rd November at 22 Stafford Street, Edinburgh.

Present.

Lord James Stewart Murray (Chair)
Mrs Stewart, Miss Anderson,
Miss Dow, Mr. Duthie, Mr. Low
and Mrs. Shand.

Apology.

An apology was intimated from Miss Milligan.

Minutes.

The Minutes of last meeting were read & approved.

Bulletin

Dances.

Circassian Circle (Book I)
and The Punch Bowl (Book V)
were prepared for publication with the March number of the S.C.D.S. Bulletin.

Leaflet.

It was decided to discuss the proposed leaflet of instruction in Scottish Country Dancing at a future meeting of the committee.

This ended the business.

J. Murray

16th November 1934.

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on 16th November, 1934, in the Station Hotel, Perth.

Present.

Lord James Stewart Murray (Chair), Miss Dow, Mr. Tuttle, Mr. Low, Miss Milligan and Mrs. Stewart.

Apology.

An apology was intimated from Miss Anderson.

Minutes.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

License

Mrs. MacLachlan

A letter was read from Mr. Shaw W.S. stating that Mrs. MacLachlan desired to apply to the S.C.D.S. for a license to use all dances published by the Society. It was decided to refuse to grant such a

- Miss Milligan
- Mrs. Brown
- Miss Anderson, 16 Warriston Crescent, Edinburgh.
- Miss Arnott, Lakeside, 50 Boglilly Road, Kirkcaldy.
- Miss Collie, 31 Landale Road, Peterhead.
- Mr. Duncan, 5 Mill Crescent, Buckie.
- Mrs. Hutchison, 14 Lammerton Terrace, Dundee.
- Miss Kenyon, 11 Bulloch Avenue, Giffnock, Glasgow.
- Mr. Macleod, 2 Well Street, Paisley.
- Mr. Murray, 18 St. Fergus Drive, Inverness.
- Mrs. Rankin, 7 Miller Street, Hamilton.
- Mr. Robertson, 34 Viewfield Road, Arbroath.

- Chairman (CONTENER)
- Vice-Chairman

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and that the S.C.D.S. would be obliged to purchase

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Apology

Minute

Licence
Mrs. Mac

Society. It was decided to refuse to grant such a

licence, but to ask Mr. Shaw to draw up a retrospective licence for Mrs. MacLachlan to use the S.C.D.S. dances already published in her Border Book.

It was agreed to write to Patersons, as the S.C.D.S. selling agents, re this licence to Mrs. MacLachlan.

It was also agreed to write to Mrs. MacLachlan and ask her if she would be prepared to grant the S.C.D.S. a licence to use the dances published in her Border Book.

Festival Booklet. Miss Milligan reported that Patersons still had 1600 unsold copies of the Festival Booklet in stock, and that the S.C.D.S. would be obliged to purchase

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there from Patersons if they brought out another booklet, owing to the terms of the agreement made with Patersons when the booklet was published.

It was decided to recommend to the Executive Council to delay the publication of a new booklet in the meantime, and to endeavour to dispose of the 1600 copies of the Festival Booklet by sale and distribution to new members as soon as possible.

List of members.

The Secretary reported that in order to publish a list of members in the Bulletin, the size and cost of the Bulletin would be three times as

large as usual. It was decided therefore to recommend to the Executive Council not to publish such a list.

Book 10. It was agreed that Bk 10 be proceeded with as soon as possible.

Bulletin "The Merry Dancers" and "Waltz County Dance" were prepared for publication with the S.P.D.S. Bulletin. This ended the business.

J. Murray

26th January 1935.

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday 26th January 1935, in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh.

Present. Lord James Stewart
Murray (Chair), Mrs. Stewart,

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Miss Anderson, Mr. Duthie, Mr. Low, Mrs. Shand & Miss Forgan. Mr. Mackenzie Shaw W.S. was also present.

Apologies.

Apologies were intimated from Miss Dow & Miss Hilligan.

Minutes.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary reported that Mrs. MacLachlan had agreed to allow the Society "to use the letterpress of any of her dances now in the Border Book on application for specific dances and promise of usual formal acknowledgement."

Licence.

Mr. Shaw read the licence which the Society is granting to Mrs. MacLachlan to use the following six dances from S.E.D.S. Books 1-5, published in her Border Book: -
Triumph

Petronella

The Nut

Cumberland Reel

Glasgow Highlanders

Dashing White Sergeant.

It was agreed that the music for the dances need not be included in the licence, and that Lord James Stewart Murray & the Secretary should sign it.

International Festival.

The Secretary read a letter she had received from Mrs. MacLachlan, stating that Mrs. MacLachlan hoped "to be the means of having Scotland recognised at the July Festival in London."

The Secretary was instructed to write to Mrs. MacLachlan stating that the Society appreciated her interest, & would be glad of her

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help in sending a team to the Festival.

International Festival A letter was read from Miss Karples, the Festival secretary, inviting the S.C.D.S. to take part in a performance in the Albert Hall on Friday 19th July, the entrance fee for each dancer to be ~~£10~~ 2/-.

The Secretary was instructed to write to Miss Karples saying that the Society would be glad to send a team of 50 dancers if possible, but that as the cost of sending the team, including railway fares, accommodation for one night, and entrance fee, would amount to approximately £250, they would be glad to know if it would be possible to

obtain a grant from the Festival Committee.

The Secretary was instructed to write to Branch secretaries asking the following questions: -

1. How many couples (men and women), really good dancers, would be available to take part in a performance in the Albert Hall in London on Friday 19th July.

2. How many of them could pay all or part of their fare and accommodation for one night themselves.

Dances. As the S.C.D.S. performance in the Albert Hall would only occupy about 10 minutes very few dances could be chosen. The members considered suitable dances.

Hamilton Branch The Secretary reported that Hamilton Branch wished to apply for a grant of £3

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towards their funds. As the Branch has only recently been formed this was agreed to.

This ended the business.

James Murray

29th April 1935.

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Monday 29th April in the North British Station Hotel, Glasgow.

Present.

Lord James Stewart Murray (Chair)
Mrs. Stewart, Miss Dow, Mr. Dulcie,
Mr. Low, Miss Milligan, Mr. Texas (Treasurer) and Miss Tongan (Secretary).

Apology.

An apology was intimated from Miss Anderson.

Minutes

The Minutes of last meeting were read & approved.

International Folk Dance Festival.

The Chairman reported that the following Branches had offered to send couples to the Festival, and that all had offered to help with their expenses: -

<u>Bairnsline</u>	3 couples.
<u>Dunfermline</u>	4 couples.
<u>Edinburgh</u>	6 couples.
<u>Perth</u>	1 couple.

Glasgow had offered to send as many men as were required, and as Fife, Aberdeen and Houston had all offered to send women dancers, 25 couples would easily be collected.

Finance.

The Treasurer reported that donations towards the expenses of the Festival from up to date amounted to £54.12/-. Glasgow had sent £50, Dunfermline £1,

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5. Crief Fair
6. The Shepherds Crook
7. Isle of Skye
8. Maggie Lawdon
9. Scotch Bonnet
10. There's nae luck
about the Hoose.
11. Lady Mary Douglas
12. The Sheep Shearing
13. The Ladies Breast Knot.

This ended the business.

J. Murray

25th May 1935.

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday 25th May, 1935, in the Station Hotel, Perth.

Present.

Lord James Stewart
Murray (Chair) Mr.
Stewart, Mr. Low, Miss

Anderson, Miss Dow, Mr. Duthie, Miss Milligan, Mr. Reid & Miss Forgan (secy). Mr. Herbert Wiseman was also present.

Before beginning the business of the meeting Mr. Wiseman played over the Book 10 times. On his advice it was agreed to find different tunes for the following dances:-

Montgomerie's Rant.

Crief Fair

The Ladies Breast Knot

Scotch Bonnet

Lady Jean Murray.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Wiseman for his kind assistance.

The Chairman then welcomed Mr. John Reid as a new member of the Publications Committee, and

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said he felt sure that Mr. Reid's knowledge of music would be of great value to the Society.

Minutes. The Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Arising from the Minutes it was decided that the men dancing in the Festival team should wear blue shirts with rolled up sleeves instead of white short sleeved shirts as was originally suggested.

Festival. A letter was read from Miss Karpels, secretary of the International Folk Dance Festival, asking the Society the following questions:-

1. What was to be the timing & form of the

dances, i.e. Duke of Perth & Glasgow Highlanders.

2. Would the Society care to choose another dance in case the time allotted to it might be extended.

3. Would the team consider dancing to a Brass Band instead of a piano & violin.

It was agreed that the dances be performed in five longways sets, and that the team should occupy the time allotted to them with the dance already chosen, although they might do another dance should time permit.

It was decided that the Sixteen some Reel be danced should their time be extended.

With regard to the music it was agreed that a

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Brass Band would not be suitable, and that Mr. Reid & his son be asked to go to the Festival as arranged at the last meeting.

Finance.

It was reported that donations towards the expenses of the Festival Team now amounted to £55-14-6^d as Ayr Branch had sent £1 since last meeting, and a member 2/6^d. Newton Stewart had promised £1 and other Branches were endeavouring to raise funds.

In order to raise money and to give the members of the Team an opportunity of rehearsing before the Festival, it was agreed that a dance be held in Edinburgh on

17th July at which the Team would give a demonstration before travelling to London that night. The Secretary was instructed to write to Miss Martin Stewart on behalf of the committee, asking if the Edinburgh Branch would undertake the organisation of this dance.

Book 10.

With regard to Bk 10, the following 12 dances were passed for publication:-

The Montgomerie's Reel.	Reel.
The Infante	Strath.
General Stuart's Reel	
Lady Jean Murray's Reel	Strath.
Chief Fair	Reel
The Ladies Breast Knot	Reel
Isle of Skye	Reel
The Shepherd's Crook	Strath.
Lady Mary Douglas	Jig.

Maggie Lawdor Strath.
The Scotch Bonnet Reel
There's nae luck Strath
about the House.

This ended the business.

J. Hubert Law.

2nd August, 1935.

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Friday 2nd August, 1935, at University Hall, St. Andrews.

Present. Mr. J. H. Low (Chairman),
Mrs. Stewart, Miss Anderson,
Miss Dow, Miss Milligan, Mrs.
Shand, Mr. Reid and Miss
Forgan (Secretary).

Apologies. Apologies were received from Lord James Stewart Murray, Mr. Dunthorn and Mr. Terras (Treasurer).

Minutes. The Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.
International Folk Dance Festival.

A financial statement from the Treasurer was read regarding the Folk Dance Festival. The expenses of the S.C.D.S. team amounted to £140-1-8^d, and donations towards this to £89-11-6^d, leaving the Society with a deficit of £50-10-2^d. The Treasurer in his letter asked for authority to realize part of the £250 Lanark County Council stock if necessary. It was agreed that this should be left to the Executive Council to decide at their meeting in November, by which time the Committee hoped that further donations would have been received to wipe out this £50 deficit.

It was agreed to publish
the financial statement
in the Bulletin with a
request for further donations.

Annual Report.

The Annual Report was
read & passed for publication.

Book 10. The Book 10 dances were
demonstrated and finally
passed for publication.
Three more alternative
tunes were chosen as
follows.

"Lady Montgomerie" for The
Montgomerie Rant.

"The Miller of Canserney" for
The Injare.

"Lady Mary Ramsay" for
Thee's wae luck about the
loose.

This ended the business.

A Murray

9th November 1935

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on
Saturday 9th November, in the Salvation Hotel, Perth.

Present.

Lord James Stewart Murray (Chair) Mrs Stewart, Miss Anderson
Miss Dow, Mr. Duthie, Mr. Dow, Mr. Reid, Miss Milligan (acting Secretary)

Apologies

Mrs Shand wrote regretting her inability to be present. She feared that
her health might in future interfere with her usefulness as a member
of the Society.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

International

Folk Dance

Festival.

Satisfaction was expressed over the team which danced at the
Festival. It was agreed that the expenditure for their expenses
was justified by their success. More donations had been received
towards their expenses and the deficit was now only about £50

Book 11

The success of Book 10 was commented upon and after discussion
it was decided to recommend the publication this year of Book 11.
This would give three books to be published in Booklet form in 1937.
The Booklet which contained only two Books had not been nearly so
successful as those which contained three.

Bulletin Dances

The four dances for publication with the Bulletin were chosen.

1. Eight some Reel & Grass Pipes 2. Jennys Bowbee & White Cockade.

The President pointed out that when 24 of these specially chosen dances
were ready they could be bound in Book form and, in future, might
be used for examination purposes, as being representative of all
the various types of S.C. Dances.

Highland Show It was decided that the Society should not take a stand at this year's Highland Show, and that they should consider ceasing in future to do so.

Summer School Miss Welligan intimated that permission had been granted to hold the Summer School in St Andrews from 3rd - 14th August 1936.

Mrs Shands Great regret was expressed over Mrs Shands' illness and it was decided to present her with the bound volume of S.C. Dances in recognition of all she had done for the Society.

This ended the business.

J. H. Murray

15th February 1936.

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday 15th February in the Station Hotel Perth.
Present: Lord James Stewart Murray (Chairman) Mrs Stewart
Miss Dow Mr. Low Miss Welligan and Mr. Reid

Apologies Apologies were received from Miss Anderson Mr. Dunbar
Miss Shand and Mr. Wiseman.

Minutes The Minutes of last meeting were approved.

Bulletin Dances The four dances for the Bulletin chosen at the last meeting were carefully revised and the music arranged by Mr. Wiseman was made ready for printing.

Book 4 Book 4 was also revised for reprint.

Book 11 The following dances were chosen for publication after ~~the~~ a number had been danced through several times.

1. Knit the Pocky

2. Monymusk

3. Sam'sy Davie

4. Inch of Perth

5. Glasgow Hornish

6. Rates of Glasgow

7. Johnny Mc Gill

8. The Mondiwort

9. Ironcald's Reel

10. Stepy Maggie

11. Miss Murray of Ochtertyne

12. The Long Chase.

Projects

A letter from Mr. Tennant was read. He reported that the projects had been sold for £20.14/- and that Edinburgh had repaid their original grant of £10.

Other business

A letter from Blackpool asking for a team or teams for a Scottish week there was read but it was decided not to accept this invitation.

This ended the business.

Y. Stewart

16th May 1936.

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday 16th May 1936, in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh, at 12 noon.

Present.

Lord James Stewart Murray (Chair), Mrs. Stewart, Miss Anderson, Miss Dow, Miss Milligan, Mr. Reid, and Miss Forgan (Secretary).

Apologies

Apologies were intimated from Mr. Guthrie & Mr. Wiseman.

Minutes.

The minutes of last meeting were read & approved.

Records.

Miss Milligan reported

that Mrs. Shand was going to London to make six double sided gramophone records with the Beltone company, and would be glad of suggestions for records. The following dances were selected:—

From Book 9

Duchess of Atholl's Slipper.

Miss Clemy Stewart's Reel

Madge Wildfire's Strathspey

Could Kail.

and From Book 10.

Montgomery's Rant

Maggie Lander

Lady Jean Murray's Rant

Chief Fair

The Shepherd's Crook

Scott's Bouquet

Lady Mary Douglas

Isle of Skye.

Summer School.

Miss Anderson proposed that a regular class be held at St. Andrews for the new book.

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This was agreed to, and that the class be open to advanced members only.

The date of the Summer School Dance was fixed for Friday 7th ~~November~~ August. Mr. Reid very kindly offered the services of his Highland Orchestra for the Dance, free of charge, as in former years. His offer was gladly accepted by the Committee.

B. B. C.

Miss Milligan reported that she had been in communication with Mr. Ian Whyte, the Scottish Musical Director of the B. B. C. and at his request was arranging for a demonstration by an S. C. D. S. team to be held in the B. B. C. hall, and accompanied by the B. B. C. orchestra. This demonstration was to be broadcast & open to the

General Public. Miss Milligan was waiting to hear from Mr. Whyte before fixing the date.

It was suggested that dances be selected for this demonstration so as to give Mr. Whyte an arranged programme.

Book II.

The proofs of Book II were carefully gone through & corrected. It was agreed that Innescauld's Reel be marked as a Strathspey & not as a Jig.

This ended the business.

James Milligan

14th Nov. 1936 A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday, 14th Nov. 1936, within the St. Andrew's Halls, Glasgow at 11 o'clock.

Present. Lord James Stewart Murray (Chairman)
Mrs. Stewart, Miss Milligan, Miss Anderson, Mrs. Dow, Mr. Duthie, Mrs. Shavel, Mr. Reid, Mr. Low, Mrs. Gow Brown (Sec.)

Apologies. An apology was intimated from Mr. Wiseman.

The minutes of the last meeting were read approved and signed. In business arising from the minutes it was stated that Miss Milligan's class in Book XI had been a great success.

Bulletin Dancers. The four dances for publication in the Bulletin were chosen.

1. Teviot Bridge.
2. Lady Susan Stewart's Reel
3. Linton Roughman
4. Dumbarton's Dances.

The chairman pointed out that when 24 of these specially chosen dances were ready, they could be bound in book form, and

and in future might be used for examination purposes. He also pointed out that it would be useful to have a book representative of the various types of S.C.D.'s and of dances that were popular in the Ball-rooms.

Dress for Demonstration Team. The matter of dress for demonstration teams was brought up, and there was a certain amount of discussion, but no decision was made.

B.B.C. Dissatisfaction was expressed with the lack of consistency in the time of the Scottish Dance music played by the B.B.C. The chairman said that he would arrange a meeting with Mr. Lamblyffe to discuss the matter.

New Publications. It was stated that there would be no new books this year, but that a pocket edition of Books 9, 10, + 11 would be published.

This was all the business transacted.

Janet Smith McKee

6th Feb. 1937. A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday 6th February 1937 within the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh, at 12 noon.

Present Mrs Hamilton Mackle (chairman), Mrs Anderson, Mrs Dow, Mr. Duttie, Miss Milligan, Mrs. Guss Brown (Sec.)

Apologies. Apologies were intimated from Lord James Stewart Murray, Mrs Stewart and Mr. Pow.

At the commencement of the meeting Mrs Hamilton Mackle asked the committee to join with her in paying tribute to the memory of Mrs. Shand and referred to the loss that the Society had suffered by her death.

The minutes of the last meeting were read approved and signed. In business arising from the minutes it was stated that the tempo of the B.B.C. music was not yet satisfactory.

Bulletin
Dances.

The dances Teutic Bug and Dumbelons Dances were corrected for publication with the March Bulletin.

Books 9, 10, and 11 were corrected and prepared for the new pocket edition.

This ended the business.

Janet Smith Mackle

1st May 1937. A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday 1st May 1937 within the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh, at 12 noon.

Present: Mrs Hamilton Mackle (chairman), Mrs Anderson, Mrs Dow, Miss Milligan, Mr. Duttie, Mr. Pow, Lord James Stewart Murray, Mr. Reid, Mrs. Brown (Secretary).

Minutes. The minutes of the last meeting were taken as read, were approved and signed.

Apologies. Apologies were intimated from Mrs Stewart and Mr. Wiseman.

Summer School. It was agreed to hold the Dance in the
Younger Hall on Friday 6th August and
that the meeting of the Executive Council should
be on the same date.

As the Dance is mainly for propaganda
purposes, it was decided to limit the
numbers by raising the price of the tickets
to 2.5. 6d. - the spectators tickets still
remaining at 1.5. It was felt that the
attendance the previous year was too great
to allow the dances to be properly seen or
danced. It was suggested that
demonstrations should be given and that
"Evening Dress" should be printed on the
tickets. It was emphasized that teachers
should have the right to ask members of
poor dancing ability to attend a simpler
class - an alternative class always being
offered.

B.B.C. Lord James Stewart Murray reported that
he had had meetings with Mr. Ian Whyte
and that the playing of the B.B.C.
band had certainly improved, the
Real time being better than the

Strathpey. The Stead's band was still
too quick but the meeting felt that with
occasional reminders the improvement would
be maintained.

It was agreed that a letter should be
written to Mr. Ian Whyte with reference to the
borrowing of the music and that the B.B.C. be
asked to broadcast the Summer School
Dance.

Gramophone Records Mrs. Milligan reported that Mr. Walker of the
Beltona Company would be glad of suggestions
for records. It was decided to record: -
Book 10 - 1. General Straet's Red

2. There's her Luck about the House
- " " - All dancers

It was agreed that the records should have
a Strathpey on one side and a Red
or Jig on the other side.

Correspondence. A letter was read from Mrs. Liddell,
Secretary of the Manchester Branch, stating
that the running expenses of the Branch
were very heavy and asking for greater
financial assistance from head quarters.
A discussion on this matter was postponed

to the meeting of the Executive.
A letter was read from Mr. Knechtel
Henderson, Aberdeen, regarding the
music of "The Huntsman's Pant."
It was decided to refer this letter to
Mrs. Stewart.

At the end of the meeting the papers
of the new pocket edition were
corrected.

This ended the business.
Met. Board Minutes.

6th August 1937 A meeting of the Publications Committee was
held on Friday, 6th August 1937 in
University Hall, St. Andrews.

Present. Mrs. Hamilton-Meikle (Chairman), Mrs. Anderson,
Miss Dow, Miss Helliigan, Mrs. Stewart,
Mr. Low, Mr. Reid, Mrs. Brown (Sec.)

Apologies. Apologies were received from Lord James
Stewart Murray and Mr. Duthie.

Minutes. The minutes of the last meeting having
been circulated amongst the members
were taken as read, approved and signed.

Business
arising from
minutes.

B.B.C.

The Secretary reported that a letter had been
sent to Mr. Ian Whyte with reference to the
barring of the music, but so far no reply
had been received.

Mr. Reid told the committee that he had been
asked by the B.B.C. to broadcast J.C.D.
music in Edinburgh on 30th August at 6.50.
The chairman expressed satisfaction which
she was sure would be felt by the whole
Society at this well-merited honour paid
to Mr. Reid.

Mr. Reid said that he would value the co-
operation of the committee in his performance.
It was decided that some members of the
School would have a practice with Mr. Reid.

Gramophone
Records. Miss Helliigan reported that the Decca Record
Co. were going to make records of all the dances
in Book XI, and of some of the dances in Book X.
New records were also being substituted for
some of the less satisfactory ones from
other books.

The committee felt that it would be better
for members to obtain the records through
Miss Helliigan and the Secretary was

asked to put a notice in the Bulletin to that effect

Book 12. It was decided that some members of the Committee should try some of the dances chosen by Mrs Stewart and Lord James Stewart Murray in order to help the Executive in their selection at the next meeting.

Annual Report. The Annual Report was read and passed for presentation to the Executive event.

Bonus to Mrs. Texas. The Committee decided that subject to the approval of the Executive Council that Mrs Texas should receive the same bonus as the previous year.
This ended the business.

For Mr Hamilton McKee

13th Nov. 1937. A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday, 13th November 1937 in the Music Hall, Nelson Street, Aberdeen at 10.45 a.m.

Present:- Mrs Hamilton-McKee (Chairman) Mrs Anderson, Mrs Dow, Mrs Milligan, Mrs Stewart,

Mrs Duthie Lord James Stewart Murray, Mrs Brown (Secretary)

Apologies - An apology was received from Mrs. John Reid
minutes:- The minutes of the last meeting having been circulated amongst the members, were taken as read approved and signed

1 Brown
minutes from
minutes. The Secretary reported that a letter had been received from Mr. Ian Whyte stating that he would correct the carrying of the music as the Committee had suggested.

Following on this there was some discussion regarding reel and jig time, but a decision on this matter was deferred to a later meeting

1 Dance
leaflets for
Bulletin. The four dances for publication with the Bulletin were chosen

1. Fight about the Triangle
2. Haughs of Cromdale
3. Light + Heavy
4. Scottish Riddle.

2 Evans.
1 Dances. Mrs Milligan expressed dissatisfaction with the present examination system. She thought that members might have Book 1. and 2. Certificates and yet not have a full knowledge of the dances so she suggested a selection of

dances which were representative of all the important formations and which would ensure that successful candidates would have a full knowledge of Scottish Country Dancing.

She suggested that the dances should be published in leaflet form and that this would be of greater financial gain to the Society.

The members of the Committee all agreed to Miss Milligan's suggestion.

Certif. Exams. The following twelve dances in reel time were chosen for the Certificate 1. examination

1. Petronella
2. Triumph
3. Circassian Circle
4. Duke of Perth
5. Fight about the Tweed
6. Dumbarton Drums
7. General Stewart's Reel
8. The new Rigged Ship
9. Mrs MacLeod
10. Corn Riggs
11. The River Cree
12. The Red Horse

Full

Certif. exams

It was suggested that the examination for the full Certificate should take the form of seven dances in Strathspey time and five dances in Reel time.

The following twelve dances were selected.

1. Glasgow Highlanders
2. Haughs o' Goudale
3. Monymusk.
4. There's nae Luck about the Hoose
5. Tulloch Groun
6. Dalbaird's Strathspey
7. Scottish Rantle
8. Terist Bridge
9. Lady Susan Stewart's Reel
10. The Merry Dancers
11. The Punch Bowl
12. Light and Airy

It was decided to bring up this matter of examination dances for discussion at the meeting of the Executive Council.

Gramophone Records

The Committee listened to the playing of some of the new gramophone records. This ended the business.

John S. M. M. M.

13th November 1937. A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday, 13th November, 1937. in the Music Hall.

4th Dec. 1937. A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday 4th December 1937 in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh at 11 a.m.

Present. Mrs Hamilton Meikle (Chairman), Miss Anderson, Miss Dow, Miss Milligan, Mrs Stewart, Mr Duthie, Mr Low, Lord James Stewart Murray, Mr Wiseman, Mrs Brown (Secretary).

Minutes. The minutes of the last meeting having been circulated amongst the members, were taken as read, approved and signed.

Dances for Book 12. Mr Wiseman played the tunes for the dances for the new book and the most satisfactory were chosen. From the collection of dances the following twelve were chosen for the new book.

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| 1. Grant's Rant | 5. Kiss me Quick |
| 2. John Black's Daughter | 6. Soldier Daddie |
| 3. Musselburgh | 7. The Yellow Haired Daddie |
| 4. The Border Reel | 8. Fiddle Faddle |

Bulletin Dances.

9. Reel of Glamis. 11. The Machine without Horses
10. Earl of Home. 12. The Black Dance.
The four dances for publication with the Bulletin were corrected.

1. Fight about the fire-side.
2. Light and Airy.
3. Haughs o' Crowdale.
4. Scottish Ramble.

The Secretary was instructed to write letters of appreciation for their help in research work to the Lady Dorothea Ruggles-Brise, Miss Gillespie and Miss Kirk.

The next meeting was provisionally fixed for January 22nd. 1938 and it was decided to hold the next meeting of the Executive Council in March.

This ended the business.

Jan. 13th 1938

22nd Jan. 1938 A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday 22nd January 1938 in the north British Station Hotel, Edinburgh at 11 a.m.

Present:- Mrs Hamilton Muckle (Chairman), Mrs Anderson, Mrs Deethie, Miss Kelligan, Mrs Brown (Sec.)

At the commencement of the meeting Mrs Hamilton Muckle expressed regret at the death of the Lady Dorothea Ruggles. Miss and referred to the loss that the Society had suffered

Apologies. There were apologies from Mrs Stewart Mrs Dow and Mrs Dow

Bulletin Dances. The proofs of the four dances for the Bulletin were corrected and passed for publication

Book 12. The letter press and diagrams of the twelve dances for Book 12 were corrected

A letter was read from Mrs Murray Warden of University Hall, St. Andrews stating that the charge for people

attending the Course for odd days would be 10/- instead of 9/- The increase being due to the rise in the cost of living.

The Chairman reported that the Stirling Branch would be delighted to invite the Society to hold their A.G.M. in Stirling in 1939.

This ended the business

Mrs. H. M. Muckle.

19th March 1938

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday 19th March 1938 in the north British Station Hotel, Edinburgh at 11 a.m.

Present Mrs Hamilton Muckle (Chairman), Mrs Anderson, Miss Kelligan, Mrs Deethie, Mrs Brown, Mrs Reid, Mrs Brown (Sec.)

Apologies. There were apologies from Mrs Stewart and Mrs Dow

Book 12. The Secretary stated that the letter press for Book 12 was in the hands of the printers and read a letter from Mrs Stewart regarding the music for the dances

The music was discussed and played and the following list of tunes was made.

1. Grants Pant
2. Gears from the Pashas
3. Jenny & Dang the Weaver
4. The Border Reel or
The Wrights Pant
5. Fiddle Fiddle (Tune - Steamer)
Alt. Tune - The Miller of Donee
6. Kiss Duck, my Mother's Coming
7. Yellow Haired Laddie
8. Reel of Gamsis, or Because I
was a Bonny Lad.
9. Judge Laddie
10. The Black Dance (Alt. Tune -
Turkey Lads are, altered to same key as
The Black Dance)
11. The Earl of Home (Alt. Tune -
Sir Charles Douglas)
12. The Machine without Horses
Mrs. Duthie proposed and Miss Kulligan
seconded that the tune Gillie Colburn should

Summer
School.

Demo. at
Empire
Exhibition.

Correspondence

not be used. The meeting agreed.
Miss Anderson recommended that
teachers be invited to teach at the
Summer School early in the year.
The meeting agreed to this recommendation.
Miss Kulligan told the meeting of the
time that had been offered for
demonstrations of Scottish Country
Dancing and that a grant of £10
per week would be given by the
National Fitness Council.
It was decided to leave further
discussion re demonstrations to the
meeting of the Executive Council.
Mrs. Lewis suggested that leaflets
with information about the Summer
School should be distributed at the
Exhibition along with gramophone
record leaflets. The meeting agreed that
this would be useful propaganda.
Mrs. Hamilton Beale read a letter from
Mrs. Russell Ferguson telling her of the
formation of a Branch in Johannesburg.
This ended the business.
Johnnie Mackenzie

25th June 1938

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday, 25th June, in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh, at 2 p.m.

Present.

Mrs Hamilton Meikle (Chairman), Miss Anderson, Miss Milligan, Mr Duthie, Lord James Stewart Murray, Mr Reid, Mrs Brown (Secretary).

Apologies.

There were apologies from Mrs Stewart, Miss Dorr and Mr Horseman.

Book 12.

The main business of the meeting was the correction of the letter press of the dances for Book 12. This was completed and the dances were passed for final publication.

Summer School.

The Secretary reported that the numbers booked for each week of the Summer School were very large. It was decided that the price of tickets for the dance should be the same as last year - 2/6 for dancers and 1/- for spectators.

Empire

Exhibition

Miss Milligan reported that the demonstration held at the Clachan and at the National Fitness Pavilion had been very successful. Large audiences had attended and had shown appreciation and keen interest. Pamphlets giving information about the Classes and the Society had been distributed.

The meeting felt that all this had been excellent propaganda.

Correspondence.

A letter was read from Mrs McLaughlan objecting to the publication of a picture in the March Bulletin and stating that there had been an infringement of copyright.

The Secretary was instructed to insert a suitable apology in the October Bulletin.

Letters were read from Mrs Holmes and Lady Dunsally regarding the formation of a Society in Ireland.

Other Business.

It was agreed that the Johannesburg Branch should be placed on the same footing as the London and Manchester Branches.

This ended the business.

Janet Lamb & Maikew

5th August 1938

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Friday, 5th August 1938 in University Hall, St. Andrews at 2 p.m.

Present.

Mrs Hamilton Meikle (Chairman), Miss Milligan, Mrs Stewart, Miss Anderson, Miss Dow, Mr Reid, Mrs Brown (Secretary)

Apologies.

Apologies were received from Lord James Stewart Murray, Mr Duthie and Mr Dow.

Minutes.

The minutes of the last meeting having been circulated amongst the members, were taken as read, approved and signed.

Annual Report.

The Secretary read the Annual Report and it was passed for presentation to the Executive Council.

Book 12.

The Committee expressed satisfaction with the dances in Book 12. The Secretary was instructed to put a note in the Bulletin to the effect that the "Bonny Brier Knot" should be in Shathspey time, not Mr Reid suggested that "Bras of Busby" should be G. minor, not D. minor.

B. B. C.

Mr Reid reported that he had been asked to broadcast on Saturday, 13th August at 6.50 p.m. The Committee expressed great satisfaction.

This ended the business.

John Smith Meikle.

5th November 1938

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday, 5th November, 1938 in the City Chamber High Street, Edinburgh at 11.15 a.m.

Present.

Mrs Hamilton Meikle (Chairman), Miss Anderson, Miss Dow, Miss Milligan, Mrs Stewart, Lord James Stewart Murray and Mrs Brown (Secretary).

Apologies

Apologies were received from Mr Duthie & Mr Dow.

Leaflet Dances

It was decided that the following dances should be issued in leaflet form with the next two Bulletins
March Bulletin: - Tomyburn Lassies & Marquis of Huntly Highlanders.

October Bulletin: - The Rock and the wee pickle Tow and Duke of Hamilton's Reel.

Future Publication

The meeting decided that the next publication would be a book containing 24 of the most popular dances that have already been published in leaflet form.

Examination Dances

Permission was given to the Secretary to have leaflets printed containing lists of Examination dances.

Correspondence

A letter was read from Mr Duthie suggesting that as the profit from the Summer School was large, better terms should be given to Teachers. The meeting came to no decision on this point but it was felt that if the conditions for the Summer School were satisfactory, the payment to Teachers should be increased. This ended the business.

4th February 1939 A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday, 4th February in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh at 11 a.m.

Present Mrs Hamilton Mickle (Chairman), Miss Anderson, Miss Milligan, Mr Low, Lord James Stewart Murray, Mrs Biron, Secretary.

Apologies Apologies were received from Mrs Stewart, Miss Dow, Mr Duthie & Mr Wiseman.

Minutes The minutes of the last meeting having been circulated amongst the members, were taken as read approved and signed.

Leaflet Dances The dances selected to be published in leaflet form with the March and October Bulletins were corrected - Tompkin Dances, Marchion of Huntly's Highlanders, The Rock and the wee pickle Ton, The Duke of Hamilton's Reel.

Book of 24 Dances It was felt that further discussion regarding the book should be left to the next meeting.

Gramophone Records Miss Milligan read a letter from Mr Walker, Manager of the Bellona Co. regarding the making of Gramophone records of Book 12 & remaking some of the former records. After some discussion, it was left to Lord James to make enquiries regarding suitable musicians.

Summer School The Secretary reported that the Summer School would be held at St. Andrews from July 31st to August 14th and that accommodation had been granted at University Hall and at "The Seallowgate". The meeting decided to recommend that there should not be a dance this year. The Secretary was instructed to delete the words "I would share a room with" and "I should like a room near," on the application form, and to insert a statement that people might be required to share rooms. It was thought that it would be helpful to write a short article for the March Bulletin regarding Summer School arrangements. It was decided that in the event of a member withdrawing from the Summer School after July 22nd, a charge of 10/- for one week and £1 for two weeks enrolment should be made, unless the room could be re-let.

Correspondence A letter was read from Mrs Liddell, Secretary of the Manchester Branch, asking if there was any likelihood of an official visit from Scotland this year. The meeting felt that no definite arrangement regarding a visit to Manchester, could be made at the moment.

A letter was read from Mr Ian Whyte of the B.B.C. regarding programmes of dance music. Mr Whyte

wrote "There is however, as you know, not a great amount of literature and a certain amount of duplication must come about." The Secretary was instructed to send Mr Whyte a leaflet giving a list of 35 of the most popular dances.

Stockholm Festival. The Secretary was asked to write to Headquarters at Stockholm regarding the willingness of the Society to send a team to dance in the International Folk Dance Festival to be held in Stockholm from August 1st. to 6th.

This ended the business.

Janet Smith. McKee.

29th April 1939. A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday, 29th April at 2 p.m. in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh.

Present Mrs Hamilton Meikle (Chairman), Miss Anderson, Mr Duthie, Miss Milligan, Lord James Stewart, Mr Reid, Mrs Brown (Secretary).

Apologies Apologies were received from Miss Dow, Mr Dow, Mrs Stewart & Mr Wiseman.

Minutes. The minutes of the last meeting having been circulated amongst the members, were taken as

read, approved & signed.

Leaflet Dances. The Secretary reported that a letter had been received from a member of the Society expressing dissatisfaction with the music of "The Marquis of Huntly Highlanders" in that the dance was described as a Strathspey and the music was written as a reel. It was also thought that the character of the melody of "Torryburn Lassie" had been lost by the introduction in the leaflet music of extra notes. The Secretary was asked to write to Mr Wiseman explaining these difficulties and asking that another version of the music be given. It was also stated that a corrected copy of the "Marquis of Huntly Highlanders" should be sent out with the October Bulletin with a note to destroy the incorrect version.

It was moved by the Chair & passed by the Committee that all music be passed by a meeting of the Publications Committee before being published.

Gramophone Records. Regarding the making of gramophone records for Book 12, there was a certain amount of discussion. Lord James reported that he had been in touch with the College of Music in London and that after some delay, Miss Vera Canning had offered to undertake the work.

29th April 1939.

Gramophone records.

In the meantime, Mr Walker had made provisional arrangements with Mr G. F. Davie of Aberdeen. The meeting proposed that Miss Kulligan should see Mr Walker of the Beltone Co. and report that the Society was willing to allow Mr Davie to proceed with his arrangements but that the Society should be allowed to give some advice on the composition of the quartette.

It was suggested that for the making of some future gramophone records, Mr Guy Davies of London be given a trial.

Summer School.

The Secretary reported very briefly on the arrangements for the Summer School stating that the number of applications was quite satisfactory and that the staff & pianists had been booked for the School.

Stockholm Festival

The Secretary read correspondence that had passed between herself & the Secretary of the International Folk Dance Festival in Stockholm dealing with the representation at the Festival of a team of men & women demonstrating Scottish Country dances. It was explained that all members of the team would be included in the

Swing Association's Women's Gymnastic Team and the Scottish men's gymnastic team so that there would be no further difficulties as regards accommodation in Stockholm. No final decision has been reached as to the inclusion of the team in the programme, but Miss Kulligan reported that she would arrange for practices with both the men & women so that they would have a programme ready if called upon to dance.

Correspondence between Miss Kulligan and Mr Douglas Kennedy was also read, regarding the sending of a Piper and a Highland Dancer to Sweden. Miss Kulligan reported that there was no difficulty as regards the Piper as one was included in the team going from Jordanhill.

Regarding the Highland Dancer Mrs Brown was instructed to write to Mr James Stuart, Secretary of the Royal Scottish Pipers Society to enquire if he knew of someone suitable. Accommodation would be reserved for him with Mr Douglas Kennedy's party and the Publications Committee suggested that a proposal should go to the Executive that half if not all of his expenses should be met by the Society.

29th April 1939

New Publication.

It was decided that the new publication should take the form of a Book of 24 of the most popular dances, that had already been published in leaflet form and that the price should be 2/6.

The following is a list of the dances: -

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| Circassian Circle. | Petronella |
| Corn Riggs | Scottish Rumble |
| Dashing White Sergeant | Scottish Reform |
| Duke of Hamilton's Reel. | Speed the Plough |
| Duke of Perth | Eightsome Reel |
| Dumbarton's Dunes. | The Merry Dancers |
| Flowers of Edinburgh | The Punch Bowl |
| Glasgow Highlanders | The Wally Country Dance |
| Grieg's Pipes | The White Cockade |
| Haugh's o' Cromdale | Trust Brig |
| Jenny's Bawbee | Triumph |
| Lady Susan Stewart's Reel | The Marquis of Huntly's
Highlanders. |

This ended the business of the meeting.

Pat Smith-McKew.

4th August 1939

A meeting of the Publication Committee was held on Friday, 4th August 1939 at 2 p.m. in University Hall, St. Andrews.

Present.

Mrs Hamilton Weikle (Chairman), Miss Anderson, Miss Dow, Miss Milligan, Mrs Stewart, Mr Tennant (Treasurer) and Mrs Brown (Secretary).

Apologies

Apologies were intimated from Lord James Stewart Murray and Mr Hubert Low.

Business arising

The Secretary read a letter from Mr Worsman stating that he had enclosed corrected versions of the music for Marquis of Huntly's Highlanders and Torryburn Lasses. The Committee discussed the question of increased payment to Mr Worsman for his work regarding the music and it was unanimously decided to offer Mr Worsman a fee of £25 for the music of a book of 12 dances and 1½ guineas for each leaflet. The Secretary was instructed to put a note in the Bulletin regarding the corrected version of Marquis of Huntly's Highlanders.

Summer School.

Mrs Brown reported on the very satisfactory Summer School at St. Andrews & stated that during the first week it was the biggest school that had yet been held.

Annual Report

The Secretary read the Annual Report which was passed for publication in the October Bulletin.

Stockholm Festival

Miss Mulligan gave a brief report on the arrangements regarding the team of ten women and ten men that had been sent to represent the Society at the International Folk Dance Festival in Stockholm. She stated that the dances to be performed by the team were:—
Glasgow Highlanders, The River Cree, The Montgomerys, Rant, Duke of Perth, The Black Dance, Ironymusk, & Sixteen one Reel

Presentation Volume for the Queen.

That some of the suggestions could be improved upon and that a definite recommendation regarding the future name & composition of the Committee should be put forward from the Publications Committee at the next meeting of the Executive Council.

The Committee decided to proceed with the ordering of the Bound Volume for the Queen at the estimated cost of £16.4.10 and the Secretary was instructed to write to Robert Macdonald & Co. to this effect. It was hoped that it would be possible to make the presentation before the Queen left Balmoral.

Leaflet Dances

The letter press & music of The Rock and the wee Fiddle Tow and the Duke of Hamilton's Reel were passed by the Committee for publication with the October Bulletin. Miss Dow pointed out that there was a mistake in the barring of Corn Rigs in the leaflet and the Secretary was instructed to have this corrected ^{made} for future publications.

Proposed Visit of French Dancers

The Secretary read letters from Mr Douglas Kennedy and M. Le Hoch regarding the visit of French dancers to Scotland. The Secretary was instructed to write to Mr Kennedy stating that the Committee considered the idea favourably & that it might be possible to arrange demonstrations in Edinburgh & Glasgow about Easter provided the team were dancing in the north of England & that the train fares of the 22 people would only have to be paid from there to Glasgow or Edinburgh.

Composition of Publications Committee

A letter was read from the Aberdeen Branch with suggestions regarding the composition of the Publications Committee. This letter is to be read at the next Executive meeting. The Publications Committee approved of the main context of the letter but considered

Pocket Edition

There was some discussion regarding the reprint of pocket edition 9, 10 & 11. Mrs Stewart suggested

4th Aug. 1939 and the suggestion was adopted that it would be better to print a pocket edition of 10, 11 & 12 & a separate edition of 9 costing 6^d to be inserted in pocket edition 7'8. This matter, it was decided to put on the agenda for the next meeting also the choice of the next four leaflets.

Gramophone Records. The Committee listened to the new gramophone records and expressed satisfaction with them all. Miss Kulligan reported that records for all the dances in Book 12 had been made also new records for: - The Merry Dancers, Duke of Perth, Mrs. McLeod, Jenny's Banter, Scottish Reform, Linton Ploughman, Merry Lads of Ayr, Cumberland Reel, Bottom of the Punch Bowl.

This ended the business of the meeting
John L. M. Mather.

4th November 1939. A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday, 4th November 1939 at 1.30 p.m. in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh.

Present. Mrs Hamilton Meikle (Chairman), Miss Anderson, Mr Duthie, Miss Kulligan, Mr Reid, Mrs Brown (Secretary) and Mr Tarras (Treasurer).

Apologies. Apologies were intimated from Miss Dow, Lord James Stewart Murray and Mrs Stewart.

Minutes. The minutes of the last meeting having been circulated amongst the members, were taken as read, approved and signed.

Business Arising. Summer School: - The Secretary read a letter from Miss Murray, Warden of University Hall, St. Andrews, asking if the S.C.D.S. could give her any idea as to whether there was a possibility of the Society holding the Summer School there. The Secretary was instructed to reply that the Society hoped to hold its Summer School as usual and would do so unless conditions became very much worse.

Stockholm Festival. The Secretary read a letter from Dr. Mcharen, the Highland Dances, thanking the Society for the chance that it gave him of going to Sweden and stating how much he had enjoyed the trip & the Festival.

D. McLaren wrote "In my opinion the S.C.D.S. team was one of the few teams who really appeared to be enjoying their dancing and it was a pleasure to watch them." Miss Milligan told the meeting of the very satisfactory reports she had received from the Jordanhill students who had been at Stockholm. From their accounts Scottish Country Dancing had been greatly appreciated in Sweden.

Copyright of Letterpress. A letter from Paterson's Publications had been received by the Secretary and circulated to members of the Publications Committee, expressing surprise and annoyance that the Society had issued leaflets of seventeen of the dances contained in Books 1-5 for which Paterson's Publications had sole selling rights. Mr Diack stated in the letter that this was a direct infringement of Copyright and that Paterson's Publications would be entitled to discontinue any further payment of royalties. Mrs Brown had consulted Mr Mackenzie Shaw W.S. on the matter and Mr Shaw very kindly attended the Publications Committee meeting and read further correspondence. He had sent a letter to

Mr Diack explaining that the Society's work had developed since the books were first printed necessitating new music and new descriptions and that when any reprint of the books had to be done the letterpress from the leaflets had been sent, so that Patersons must have been aware for some time that these leaflets had been published. The leaflets are not the same as regards music & letterpress as the books issued before 1930 but are improved by the Society in the light of further knowledge.

Mr Shaw had had a reply from Mr Diack stating that no concession had been made to Patersons by the Society in the matter of corrections of the letterpress and that they were under no obligation to print corrections or new information and did so as a matter of courtesy. There was then general discussion at the meeting & several points were raised. Mr Shaw was asked to write to Mr Diack. Mrs Hamilton Meikle thanked Mr Shaw for all the help he had given and for his attendance at the meeting.

Composition of Publications Committee. It was decided to postpone the discussion of any change in the Composition of the Publications Committee until more settled times.

Presentation
Books

The Secretary reported that the presentation book for The Queen was now ready and in the hands of R.H. Macleod, Co. It was felt that the present time was not suitable for making the presentation. The Secretary was instructed to have the book sent to Mr. Lerras so that it could be kept safely until required.

Future
Publications

The meeting felt that there should be no new publications and that next October on payment of their subscriptions members should be allowed to choose any of the books 1-12 either to supplement their stocks or to have a newer edition of one of the books. It was decided to issue a Bulletin in March.

Leaflet Dances

The following dances were chosen for publication in leaflet form:- Meg Merrilies, Merry Lads of Ayr, La Tempête & The Bumpkin. The Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Worsman to ask him to arrange the music for these four dances so that it might be ready for the next meeting.

Press Cuttings

The matter of press cuttings was discussed and the Secretary was advised to accept the offer of the

Cheaper subscription of Romike & Curtis of £.11.6 for 12 months service.

Hon. Life Members

Mr. Lerras was instructed to write to the original members of the Society who were entitled to life membership as decided previously, to let them know that they had been made Honorary Life members of the Society.

Future Meetings

It was decided to call a Publications Committee meeting in January and a meeting of the Executive Council in March.

Financial Report

Mr. Lerras went over the various items on the report and the meeting expressed satisfaction with his statement.

The Secretary and members reported on the activities of some of the Branches since the War had started. It was found that in some places Glasgow, Hamilton, Lanark, both Ayrshire and Arbroath, a good start had been made. Other districts although very anxious to start classes had been prevented by lack of halls and black out arrangements.

This ended the business.

John Smith-McKen

24th February 1940

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday, 24th February 1940 at 12 noon in the North British Stairs Hotel, Edinburgh.

Present Mrs Hamilton Meikle (Chairman), Mr Duthie, Miss Milligan, Lord James Stewart Murray, Mrs Stewart, Mrs Brown (Secretary).

Apologies Apologies were received from Miss Anderson, Miss Dow and Mr Tennas.

Minutes The minutes of the previous meeting having been circulated amongst the members, were taken Leaflet Dances as read, approved and signed.

Paterson's Publications. As Mr Mackenzie Shaw attended the meeting with reference to the correspondence between Paterson's Publications & the Society, this matter was brought forward first. There was a great deal of discussion and as a result the Secretary was instructed to write to Mr Tennas to find out how much money the Society had spent on reprints of Books 1-5, and to Mr Bissel stating that it would not be possible to hold a Sub-Committee meeting with Mr Diack & himself on 2nd March.

Miss Milligan and Mrs Brown were asked to see Mr Harper of Aird & Coghill Ltd., to find out how many printing blocks had been completely and how

many partially altered, and the cost incurred by the Society. There were also asked to find out where Copyright was lodged.

Mr Duthie was asked to ascertain if the letterpress of Mrs Wacklam's book corresponded with the letterpress of Books 1-5.

On receipt of this information Mr Shaw was asked to write to Mr Diack referring to these matters.

The Secretary reported that Mr Wiseman had sent the music for the four dances selected to be published in leaflet form: - Meg Merrilies, Merry Dads of Ayr, La Tempête and The Bumpkin. It was felt that it would be wiser to defer the publication of the leaflets until a settlement had been reached with Paterson's Publications.

Bulletin The Committee decided in view of the paper scarcity to issue a report to the members instead of the usual March Bulletin - the report to contain information regarding the war time activities of the Branches and the usual form of application for the Summer School.

Executive Council. It was decided to defer the next meeting of the Executive Council until the Summer School. This ended the business.

Jean C. Milligan
27.7.40

27th July 1940

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday 27th July at 2 p.m. in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh.

Present Miss Mulligan (Chairman), Miss Anderson, Miss Dow, Mr Reid, Mr Terras (Treasurer) and Mrs Brown (Sec)

Apologies Apologies were received from Mrs Hamilton-Mitchell, Mrs Stewart, Mr Low and Mr Duthie.

Minutes The minutes of the last meeting having been circulated amongst the members, were taken and read, approved and signed.

Paterson's Publications Mr Terras stated that in reply to his letter asking for payment of royalties, he had received a letter from Mr Diack asking for a meeting with representatives of the S.C.D.S.

The Secretary was instructed to write to Mr Diack stating that representatives of the Society would be willing to meet members of his firm.

With the present difficulties of travelling and also to save travelling expenses, it was thought wiser to select a small group to attend the meeting. The following were appointed:-

Mrs Hamilton-Mitchell, Miss Mulligan, Miss Anderson, Mr Duthie, Mr Terras and Mrs Brown.

The Secretary was advised to ask Mr Mackenzie

Stewart whether it would be possible for him to attend the meeting.

Miss Mulligan reported that she had received a letter from Mr Diack asking permission to reprint the Festival booklet. It had been agreed to do this with certain variations and omission of some material that was now unnecessary. There was also a suggestion that a booklet should be brought out giving hints on the teaching of some of the more difficult dances. Miss Mulligan agreed to reply to this letter stating that the idea was a good one, but that no such publication could be brought out unless the position between Paterson's Publications and the S.C.D.S. as regards past difficulties, was satisfactorily cleared. The Committee felt that if this publication were brought out, it would be a suitable book to issue to members along with the Autumn leaflet.

Mrs Brown read a letter from Mrs Stewart suggesting the publication of two new dances in leaflet form to be sent to members in the Autumn. The Committee decided that until a decision had been reached about the booklet, the matter should be left.

Financial

Statement

The Treasurer reported that Glenkens Branch had repaid their Grant of £5. A donation of £1-1/- had been received from Dundee Highland Society and £1 from an Hon. life member to be entered in the accounts as "Anonymous". Life membership cards had been sent out to "original" members and letters of thanks and appreciation had been received.

In giving a review of the financial position, Mr Terras reported that for the first time in the past 7 years, there would be a deficit in the funds. The deficit estimated was about £60 which would leave a balance on hand of about £850.

Mr Terras considered this state of affairs to be very satisfactory under present conditions. There was a drop of £300 in subscriptions and £100 in the sale of books. Against this, about £350 had been saved from various items of expenditure.

It was decided to invest £250 in the Government loan free of interest, in the name of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Society or their successors in office.

Salaries of Secretary and Treasurer

The Secretary and Treasurer were asked to leave the meeting while the Committee discussed the matter of any change in the salary & honorarium. It was unanimously decided that in the meantime there was no need to reduce the salary and honorarium and it was decided that Mr Terras should again receive a bonus of £35. Appreciation was expressed of the work done during the year.

Summer School

Miss Brown reported on the steps that had been taken regarding the cancelling of the Summer School. She read letters that had been sent to members and to University Hall. A notice had been inserted in the St. Andrews Citizen.

Executive Council Meeting

The Secretary reported that a letter had been sent to members of the Executive Council stating that the meeting arranged for St. Andrews would not now take place. The Committee felt that it would be advisable to hold a meeting of the Executive Council sometime in the Autumn.

Ministry of Labour & Technical Service

Miss Anderson gave a report of a meeting that she had attended as a representative of the Society, and arranged by the Ministry of Labour. The meeting was called to form committees to deal with

various forms of recreative facilities for youth. Each organisation was asked to send a representative to the Council to be set up, and Mrs Brown was asked to send in her name as representing the Scottish Country Dance Society.

This ended the business.

John Smith Mackie

7th Sept. 1940

A meeting was held on Saturday, 7th Sept. 1940 in the North Bridge Station Hotel, Edinburgh of the elected members of the Publications Committee and Mr Diack and Mr Bisset representing Paterson's Publications Ltd. Mr Mackenzie Shaw was in attendance representing the interests of the Scottish Country Dance Society.

The meeting was held at the request of Paterson's Publications Ltd. to protest against the publication of the book of 24 dances and the leaflets drawn from Books 1-5 without consulting Paterson's Publications Ltd.

Present

Mrs Hamilton-Mackie (Chairman), Miss Anderson, Miss Milligan, Mr Bisset, Mr Diack, Mr Duthie, Mr Mackenzie Shaw, Mr Teras (Treas) & Mrs Brown (Secretary)

The Chairman welcomed the representatives of Paterson's Publications and asked Mr Bisset to make a

statement regarding the business of the meeting. Mr Bisset called upon Mr Diack to speak first. Mr Diack expressed the hope that an amicable settlement would be reached and told his story of the beginnings of the Society which he thought had been forgotten. Miss Milligan assured Mr Diack that this was not the case, and that the members knew of and valued the help that Mr Diack had given the Society in its initial stages.

Mr Bisset then put forward his point of view which had been expressed in a letter previously circulated among members of Committee.

There was general discussion. Members of the Society expressed the following views: -

1. That the dances had been considerably altered in form.
2. That Paterson's Publications had had the benefit of the alterations. Leaflets had been sent to them from time to time allowing them to bring Books 1-5 up to date.
3. In making these alterations the Society had expended a great deal of time, thought and money. Paterson's Publications had taken no part in this expenditure.
4. The members of the Society do not hold the point of

view the Patersons Publications possess the Copyright of the letterpress of the dances concerned. The views of the Society are expressed in letters sent by Mr Mackenzie Shaw to Paterson's Publications.

Mr Bisset finally put forward the following proposals and hoped that the Committee would recommend them to the Executive Council:-

1. That the S.C.D.S. pay to Paterson's Publications 3^d per copy on "24 Favourite Scottish Country Dances" on all sales, future and retrospective.
2. That the Society should supply "24 Favourite Scottish Country Dances" to Paterson's Publications on the same terms as books 6-12.
3. That the price for foreign sales should be re-considered - 9s per copy suggested instead of 1/-.

The Chairman said that no decision could be given to these proposals at the present meeting.

Mr Bisset and Mr Diack left the meeting.

It was proposed that Miss Kulligan and Mrs Brown should again try to find out from And^r Coghill Ltd., in how far the plates used for "24 Favourite Scottish Country Dances" correspond to those used in the original Books 1-5.

This ended the business.

J. S. Murray

16th Nov. 1940

A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday 16th November 1940, at 12 noon in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh.

Present

Mrs Hamilton Ineible (Chairman), Miss Anderson, Mr Duthie, Lord James Stewart Murray, Mrs Brown (Secretary) and Mr Teras (Treasurer).

Apologies

Apologies were received from Miss Dow, Miss Kulligan and Mrs Stewart.

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting having been circulated amongst the members, were taken as read, approved and signed.

Paterson's Publications.

The Secretary read a letter that she had sent to Mr Bisset asking his assurance that the proposals stated in her letter corresponded exactly to those that he had put forward at the meeting held on 7th September (proposals stated in previous minutes). Mr Bisset replied that the proposals in the letter were correct but stated that he had also made other suggestions:-

1. That Paterson's Publications should act as sole wholesale distributors for the Society's publications at home and abroad, i.e. that all orders for say more than six copies should be dealt with by Paterson's Publications.
2. Mr Bisset also wanted it to be noted that the Company

is refraining from making any claim for payment for the use made of its plates without permission for the printing of the Society's own publications.

There was general discussion - the Secretary reported that Miss Milligan and she had met representative of Aird & Coghill to enquire into the statement made by Mr Bisset that Paterson's had had the plates microscopically examined and stated that the plates were theirs. Aird & Coghill reported that two

representative of Paterson's Publications had microscopically examined the plates but probably what had been examined had been the actual letterpress in a book.

From the money expended by the Society on the cost alterations and the initial cost of a plate, it could be safely assumed that the plates were not the original ones and that they were now the property of the Society. The discussion continued, members expressing the view that the Society was entitled to issue new publications in the way that it had done.

The final and unanimous decision of the meeting was that there could be no consideration given to the proposals till the royalties owing to the Society had been paid. The question of royalties had been fixed apart from any arrangement made for Books 1-5.

These books had been published on the basis of paying royalty and these books 1-5 were still being sold. The meeting agreed that they would consider the proposals when the royalties were paid.

Future Publications Mr Dutchie brought up the matter of a new booklet. He said that he had not been at a previous meeting when Miss Milligan reported that she had received a letter from Mr Diack asking permission to reprint the Festival booklet. Mr Dutchie asked the Secretary to refer back to the Minutes of 1934 when it was agreed by the Executive Council on the recommendation of the Publications Committee, that Book 9 should be published without a Foreword, and that a booklet of instructions in S.C.D. should be drawn up for publication. At that time it was thought better to delay this publication till the Festival Booklet had been sold out. The meeting decided that the Minutes could not be overruled. It was also felt that considering the present situation with Paterson's, it would be better for the Society to publish its own booklet which would deal with the rudiments of Scottish Country dancing and the peculiarities of any one particular dance. The Secretary was asked to get in touch with Miss Milligan regarding this matter.

Pocket Edition of 9, 10, 11. The Secretary reported that the pocket edition of Books 9, 10, 11 was nearly finished and reminded the meeting of Mrs Stewart's suggestion that pocket editions of 7, 8, 9 and 10, 11 & 12 should be made. The Secretary was asked to find out how many copies of 7 & 8 had still to be sold and also to ask Aird, Coghillo's advice on the matter.

Summer School 1941. Mrs Brown was asked to make a provisional booking for University Hall, St. Andrews for the first fortnight of August.

S.C.D.S. and the New Youth Movement. Mr Terras reported that there was very general dissatisfaction in the Ayr Branch about the teaching of Scottish Country Dancing and in some cases ^{people} not knowing very much about it, were being employed in spite of the fact that well qualified teachers were available. The meeting felt that a Society which had struggled to raise the standard of teaching and performance of Scottish Country dancing should protest against unqualified teaching, at the same time expressing its desire to co-operate with the Government scheme of increased recreational activities for youth. The Secretary was asked to write to Dr. Jardine on behalf of the Society.

Financial Statement. Mr Terras pointed out an error in the recently

printed Financial Statement in the Bulletin Leaflet, namely the impression was given that payments of royalties had been made whereas the footnote explained that no royalties had been received - the printer should have left the space blank.

S.C.D.S. in Bute. A letter was read from Sir Colin MacRae to Mrs Stewart giving a glowing account of the enthusiasm for Country dancing in Bute. A newspaper cutting was also read about the queue formed to enrol as members of the Isle of Bute Country Dance Society. This Society has no links with the S.C.D.S. and Mrs Brown was asked to write to Sir Colin MacRae to ask if Bute would be willing to affiliate.

This ended the business.

James L. Murray

15th February 1941 A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday, 15th February 1941, at 2 p.m. in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh.

Deep regret was expressed by the members of the Committee by the death of Colonel Hamilton-McIntyre. Mrs Brown was asked to send a letter of sympathy to Mrs Hamilton-McIntyre on behalf of the Society.

Present Mrs Anderson, Mrs Duthie, Miss Milligan, Lord James Stewart Murray, Mrs Brown (Secretary). Lord James Stewart Murray took the Chair.

Apologies Apologies were received from Mrs Stewart and Mrs Jones.

Minutes The minutes of the last meeting having been circulated amongst the members, were taken as read, approved and signed.

Business Arising With regard to uncertificated teachers holding classes with various youth groups when it was possible to employ certificated teachers, Mrs Brown reported that she had seen Dr. Jardine, Secretary of the Scottish Education Department at St. Andrews House. Dr. Jardine listened sympathetically to the cases that were brought to his notice, and promised to look further into the matter.

Pocket Edition :- Mrs Brown reported that she had made enquiries from Gilman & Lawrence regarding

Pocket Edition 708 and stated that in December there were 282 copies in stock. She also reported that Aird & Coghill would have no difficulty in printing a Pocket Edition 7, 8 & 9 and one of 10, 11 & 12.

The Committee decided that in view of the present large stock of 708 it would be better meantime to proceed with a Pocket Edition of Books 10, 11 & 12.

The Secretary was instructed to order 3000 copies immediately. Miss Milligan raised the question of printing leaflets and stated that there had been a request for "Come Ashore, Jolly Tar".

The Committee agreed to have 3000 copies printed of "Come Ashore Jolly Tar" and the same number of "Knit The Pocky". It was also decided to ask Mr Harper to reprint any leaflets numbering under 1000 and to let this reprint number 2000.

Summer School. The Secretary reported that she had booked University Hall, St. Andrews, provisionally for the first fortnight of August. The Committee decided that they would not send out any final notices regarding Summer School arrangements until June when an individual notice would be sent to members and advertisements put in various papers. In this connection it was decided to bring out the Bulletin draft in June instead of March.

Recognition of S.C.D.S. Certificate. Mrs Brown read a letter from Miss Taggart, Motherwell, which stated that great dissatisfaction was felt in her County at the non recognition of teachers by the Education Authority, teachers who held the full teaching Certificate of the S.C.D.S. A headmaster and an inspector had expressed the view that it would be a simple matter to adjust, and that the Society should apply for recognition. There was some discussion and the Secretary was asked to write to the Scottish Education Department regarding the matter.

Future Publications. The question of an up to date publication dealing with instructions and hints on the teaching of Scottish Country dancing, was raised. Miss Anderson suggested that it might be possible to make use of some of the material and diagrams in "A Complete Guide to Scottish Country Dancing" which belonged to Mrs Elizabeth MacLachlan. After some discussion Mrs Brown was asked to write to Mrs MacLachlan explaining the position and asking on what terms she would be willing to give this concession to the Society.

Paterson's Publications (For this part of the business Mrs Mackenzie Shaw was in attendance). The Secretary reported that

since the last meeting the royalties due to the Society by Paterson's Publications had been paid, amounting to £15.10.10d. The proposals detailed in the Minutes of 7th September 1940 and the suggestions put forward by Mr Bisset and detailed in the Minutes of the previous meeting, were brought forward for discussion. The proposals were fully discussed and the meeting wished it to be stated that while it did not admit any of Paterson's Publication claims, it was willing to make the following concessions:

1. That the Society should supply "24 Favourite Scottish Country Dances" to Paterson's Publications on the same terms as Books 6-12.
2. That the price of foreign sales should be reconsidered and that 9d. per copy should now be paid instead of 1/-.

The above statements can only hold good while the present stocks last, as with an increase in the cost of printing, the Society might have to make a corresponding increase in the price of its books.

This ended the business.

John Sumner Mackenzie.

21st June 1941 A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday, 21st June 1941, at 2.30 p.m. in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh.

Present Mrs Hamilton-Meikle (Chairman), Miss Anderson, Mrs Duthie, Miss Milligan, Mrs Brown (Secretary).

Apologies Apologies were received from Mrs Stewart & Mr Teras.

Minutes The minutes of the last meeting having been circulated amongst the members, were taken as read, approved & signed.

Business arising The question of recognition of teachers of Scottish Country dancing in continuation classes, was again brought up. The Secretary read the letter that she had sent to the Scottish Education Department and the reply advising her to write to the local authority. The committee agreed that this matter should be followed up and instructed Mrs Brown to write to the Director of Education, Lanarkshire, sending him a copy of the letter that had been sent to the Department.

Summer School The Chairman reported that the provisional booking of the Summer School had been cancelled. The Committee members had been consulted & had unanimously agreed to this decision. The Secretary read a letter from Miss Murray,

warden of University Hall, St. Andrews, accepting the decision and expressing the hope that the Summer School would soon be held there again.

Future Publications The Committee decided that it would be wiser not to enter in to the expense of a new publication at the present time. The Secretary was instructed to write to Mrs MacLachlan stating that the Society did not wish to follow up its previous suggestion that it might be possible to make use of some of the material and diagrams in "A Complete Guide to Scottish Country Dancing." The Committee decided that during the winter months they could work at bringing out a new book as there was material for a further collection of dances, but that they would not publish it till a suitable time.

Patrons Publication The Secretary reported that Mrs Biset had not yet replied to her letter of February 18th. She was asked to write to Mrs Biset again requesting a reply.

Financial Statement The meeting heard with very deep regret of Mr Teras's illness but were glad to hear that he was making satisfactory progress. Miss Milligan told the meeting that she & Mrs Brown had visited Mr Teras that week and gave the members a brief report of the financial

position. Mr Tennas considered that the estimated ^{deficit} ~~balance~~ by the end of September would be approximately £100. There had been a heavy account of £79 for leaflets. The meeting considered that it would be possible to carry on as at present for another year - the position to be reconsidered then.

It was unanimously decided that Mr Tennas's bonus should be the same as in previous years, namely £35. The meeting asked Mrs Brown to write to Mr Tennas giving him their best wishes for a good recovery.

American Correspondence. Mrs Brown read letters from Miss Carmichael and Miss Ireland of New York which stated that there was a strong desire to form a Scottish Country Dance Society of America, which was to be a Branch of the Scottish Country Dance Society. A constitution had been put forward for consideration. The Committee very warmly welcomed the idea of further development in America and approved generally of the Constitution. A few points were raised: -

- (1) It was thought that the article referring to artistic development should be more clearly defined.
- (2) That the publications of the Scottish Country Dance Society should be the only books in official use.
- (3) That it would be interesting to receive from

America any variations of the Scottish dances found there.

Mrs Brown was advised to ask Mr Mackenzie Shaw to look over the constitution and to write to Miss Carmichael, the American Secretary, giving conditions of Branch membership etc.

Manchester Branch. There had been a request from Mrs Liddell for a teacher to visit the Manchester Branch for a day or two. No one on the Committee was free to do this - it was also felt that the Society could not afford to meet expenses of this kind. The Secretary was instructed to write to Mrs Liddell.

This ended the business of the meeting.

Just from the Needle.

13th September 1941 A meeting of the Publications Committee was held on Saturday, 13th September 1941, in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh at 11.30 a.m.

Present Mrs Hamilton-Meikle (Chairman), Miss Anderson, Miss Dow, Mr Duthie, Miss Milligan, Mrs Stewart, Mrs Brown (Secretary).

Apology An apology was received from Lord James Stewart-Murray
Minutes The minutes of the last meeting having been circulated amongst the members, were taken as read, approved & signed.

Business arising Mrs Brown read a letter from the Director of Education, Lanarkshire, informing her that the Education Committee had decided that Chapter IV teachers who held the full certificate of the Scottish Country Dance Society would now receive placing on the scale applicable to Chapter VI teachers of Physical Education i.e. 5/- to 6/6 per registered hour of instruction.

Summer School. The Secretary reported that she had provisionally booked University Hall, St. Andrews from the 3rd to 17th August 1942 and fixing these dates, for the second fortnight of August. She read a letter from Miss Murray stating that her application would be considered along with others, by the Committee.

Autumn Publication. The Secretary was advised by the Committee

to write to all Branch Secretaries asking them to send news of the work of their Branches for the October leaflet. It was decided to send one leaflet dance this year, instead of two as on previous occasions, for reasons of economy. The one chosen was "Come Ashore, Jolly Tar." The new pocket edition of Books 10, 11 & 12 would also be sent to members on payment of their annual subscription.

It was decided to raise the price of the dance leaflets from 2' to 3'.

Paterson's Publications. The Secretary read a letter which had been received from Mr Bisset of Paterson's Publications in answer to hers of 19th Feb. 1941, in which he stated that the Company would meantime accept the proposals contained in the letter (detailed in minutes of 15th February). The Committee expressed satisfaction that the matter had been settled.

Temporary Treasurer. The Committee having heard of Mr Ferris's continued illness, expressed their sympathy but were glad to hear that the latest report was of improvement. Mr Ferris being unable to do his work meantime had handed it over to Miss McCallan and the Committee wished to approve of this and to thank Miss McCallan for her kindness. The Secretary

was instructed to write to Mr Terras sending the good wishes of the Committee and to Miss Luchella thanking her for doing the work of temporary Treasurer.

Correspondence. Mrs Brown read the letter which had been sent to Miss Carmichael, Secretary of the proposed S.C.S. of United States of America, which had been written after consultation with Mr Shaw. The letter contained all the points brought up at a previous meeting also a few suggested by Mr Shaw. The Committee approved of the proposed Constitution as a whole.

Financial Statement. A short interim financial statement was submitted giving details of the cost of publication of leaflets etc. and showing that a deficit of approximately £150 might be expected. It was pointed out that account must be taken of the stock in hand, which was considerable.

This ended the business of the meeting.

Jean Mulligan

16th May 1942.

A meeting of the Management Committee was held on Saturday, 16th May, 1942, in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh, at 11.30 a.m.

Present: Lord James Stewart Murray (Chairman), Miss Anderson, Miss Dow, Mr Duthie, Miss Mulligan, Mrs Brown (Secretary).

Apologies. Apologies were received from Mrs Hamilton Mackie and Mrs Stewart.

Minutes. The minutes were read, approved & signed. The undernoted is the financial statement for period from 1st Oct 1941 to 11th May 1942.

<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>
Balance bro. forward £662.16.6	Cost of new Pub. Ed. £48.-.6.
Sub. Branches (90.15.6) 115.16.6	Oct. Bulletin " " Envelopes 20.1.7
" Direct 25.1 } 76.19.11	Cost of Gram. records 1.13.2
Books sold 76.19.11	Salaries 127.11.-
Gram. records sold 2.5.-	Postages, Telephone etc. 18.17.6
Royalties and Broadcasting fees 26.6.3	Auditors fee 6.6
Donations 7.7	Exam. fees 1.1
Interest 4.7.4	Insurances 3.-
	Printing, Stationery etc. 6.18.11
	Balance on Hand 662.8.10
£895.18.6	£895.18.6

The total loss over the seven months working is the small sum of 7/8d. In comparison with the same period last year, the main items are as follows: - The subscriptions from Branches have decreased £37.6, but those paid direct to Headquarters have increased £1.5 (this is partly accounted for by several Life Membership subscriptions having been paid). Books sold have increased by £49.16.4.

The chief item on the expenditure was the cost of the new Pocket Edition & the printing of the October Bulletin - the latter having cost about £6 more than last year. There are still a number of Branches who have not yet sent in any subscriptions, but these are mostly the smaller ones. As seen in the statement, there is still £662.8.10 at credit of the Society, £500 is invested & £162.8.10 in the Bank.

There was general discussion on the finances of the Society and the meeting felt that until the position improved, expenses would have to be cut down.

Secretary

Miss Milligan brought forward the following proposals:-

(1) That salaries be cut by one third. (2) That Miss Hadden, who had already been helping Mrs Brown with the secretarial work, be appointed ^{Summer School} war time Secretary and that Mrs Brown be retained as Honorary Secretary.

These cuts in salary and change of appointment to date from 1st June, 1942. The meeting unanimously agreed to these proposals. The meeting also gave Miss Hadden permission to sign cheques on behalf of the Society. Mrs Brown, in accepting the office of Hon. Secretary, explained to the meeting that the work of the Scottish Women's Keep Fit Association of which she is Organising Secretary, had grown very considerably in the last few years, that it necessitated a good deal of travelling

so that at present she felt she could no longer undertake the routine work of the Society. On the other hand, she hoped when visiting other parts of the country, to foster and increase, wherever possible, an interest in the study and practice of Scottish Country dancing.

Miss Milligan told the meeting that Mr Ferras was not yet able to resume his work as Treasurer and that Miss McEldown was very kindly carrying on in the meantime. As Mr Ferras had resigned his position in the Bank, letters to the Treasurer must now be addressed:- The Treasurer, S.C.D.S. British Linn Bank, Galston.

Mrs Brown told the meeting that she had a letter from Miss Murray, Warden of University Hall, St. Andrews, stating that the University Court had decided to let the Hall to the French School who would take it for the last fortnight of August and the first fortnight of September. The Scottish Education Department had taken it for the first fortnight of August. In view of this and the desire of the Government to limit travelling, the Committee decided not to run a Summer School. The Secretary was asked to get in touch with the Scottish Youth Leadership Training Association & any other body running similar courses, requesting that Scottish Country dancing should be included in the programme under the direction of an approved Teacher of the Society.

Paper for
Reprinting
of Books.

Mrs Brown read correspondence from Paterson's Publications which stated that they had made an unsuccessful appeal to the Paper Control Board for paper to re-print the books and asking if the Society would use its influence to obtain paper. The Secretary wrote to the Scottish Command who were unable to give any help, and to the Scottish Education Department. Dr. Jardine replied that after careful consideration the Department would support an appeal to the Paper Control Board for re-publication of "24 Favourite Scottish Country Dances" and for certain of the more popular dances published singly in sheet form at 3d. each. The meeting decided to take immediate advantage of this offer, and Miss Milligan was given permission to make up the numbers of "24 Favourites" and the necessary leaflets.

Summer
leaflet.

The meeting felt that it was necessary to publish a sheet giving information about the new arrangements regarding the secretarial work and the address of the Treasurer. Miss Milligan very kindly promised to make the required number. It was also suggested to put on this sheet a notice to members that when sending their subscriptions to the Society, they should say which book they would like, if any.

This ended the business.

Let Ann & Mabel

17th October 1942

Present

A meeting of the Management Committee was held on Saturday, 17th October 1942 at 11.30 a.m. in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh.

Mrs Hamilton-Meikle (Chairman), Mrs Anderson, Mr Guthrie, Miss Milligan, Mrs Brown, Miss Hadden.

Apology
Misses

An apology was received from Miss Dore. The minutes of the last meeting, held on 16th May 1942, were read, approved & signed.

Business Arising

After some discussion, the Committee agreed that the time had come to make an arrangement regarding the salary paid to the Treasurer. The Committee decided that Miss J.W. McHellan who has been acting for Mr James should have full powers as Treasurer to operate the bank accounts and should receive the salary formerly paid to Mr James, until he is fit to resume the work. This arrangement to begin from 1st Nov. 1942.

Mrs Brown reported that she had taken classes in Scottish Country dancing during the evenings at a weeks course of the Scottish Youth Leadership Training Association, held in St. Andrews in August.

Financial Report

The Secretary read a report from the Treasurer which was favourably received by the Committee. The report shows a profit on the year's working of £42.12.8. There is a decrease in subscriptions of £21.15.6d. and a decrease

in the sale of Gramophone records of £12.15.7.
There has been an increase in the sale of books and
leaflets of £69.16.2. All the items on the expenditure
side show decreases, the chief of which are in salaries
-£69.10.8 and in Examination fees and organising
expenses of £29.13.6. The balance stands at £715.6.8.

Changes in
Examination. Miss Milligan told the Committee of criticism she
had received about the composition of the dances in the
Full Certificate Examination. It had been suggested
that five of the easier Strathspey dances should be
substituted for the five Reels, in order to give a wider
range in the teaching of Strathspeys, and after
some discussion, the Committee unanimously
agreed to make this change. The following were
the dances chosen: - The Earl of Home, Jenny's Bawbee,
The Duchess of Atholl's slipper, Grieg's Pipes and The ^{Margius} ~~Dance~~
of ^{Huntly's Highlanders} Hamilton's Reel. The Secretary was asked to
write to the Examination Centres informing them of
the change. Miss Milligan was authorized to
order the printing of the two new leaflet dances -
The Earl of Home & The Duchess of Atholl's Slipper.

Correspondence. A letter was read from the Hon. Secretary of the
Dundee Branch with the suggestion that as members
subscriptions had decreased considerably in that Branch

that members were attending other classes where
no membership fee was required, and in view of
the fact that no new books were being published
by the Society, the annual subscription should
be reduced from 5/- to 2/6. The Committee
after discussing the matter, decided that such a
change could not be made at present, that it
would entirely bankrupt the Society and that there
was no general demand for such a reduction.

Anything competent
business. Aberdeen Branch It had been reported to the
Committee that several successful classes were being
held in Aberdeen apart from the Society, and it was
suggested that a letter should be written to Mrs Bruce
(Acting Hon. Secretary), to ask if anything could be done
towards starting a Branch Class, with a view to keeping
members in touch with the Society.

The Day Course Miss Milligan reported on a very
successful course held at Jordanhill Training College on the
10th October, under the auspices of the Glasgow Branch.
Over eighty were present & there was a profit of £10.

Miss Milligan also told the meeting of interest in Scottish
Country dancing in Rochdale where she had taught special
classes for teachers arranged by the Education Authority
in Summer. The members were very enthusiastic

and it is hoped that a Branch will be started here before long.

An examination class was also held in Cardiff and the members there were hoping to start a Branch.

This ended the business of the meeting.

Jean C. Mulligan

22nd May 1943

A meeting of the Management Committee was held on Saturday, 22nd May, 1943 at 11.30 a.m. in the North Bute Hotel, Edinburgh.

Present. Mrs Hamilton-Meikle, (Chairman), Miss Anderson, Miss Dow, Mr Duthie, Miss Mulligan, Lord James Stewart Murray, Mrs Brown (Hon. Secy.) and Miss Hadden (Acting Secretary).

Apology. An apology was intimated from Mrs Stewart.

Minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting held on 17th October 1942 were read, approved and signed.

Business Arising. The Secretary read a letter from Mrs Bruce (Acting Secy. of the Aberdeen Branch), in reply to one sent to her regarding classes in Aberdeen which were not under the auspices of the S.C.D.S. Branch. Mrs Bruce explained that the main difficulty was lack of suitable accommodation. After some discussion it was suggested that a letter might be sent

encouraging the start of a Branch class next Autumn if the accommodation difficulty had been overcome.

Miss Dow told the Committee that the motive of the Dundee Branch in suggesting a decrease of the Annual membership subscription was entirely with the object of increasing membership and that they had felt that the Management Committee had perhaps been unnecessarily critical of their letter. As Miss Dow's explanation & amplification of the letter sent by the Secretary of the Dundee Branch, showed the matter in a different light, the Secretary was asked to write again to the Secretary of the Dundee Branch expressing the Committee's appreciation of their work but at the same time still maintaining that the subscription could not be reduced.

Financial Statement. Before discussing the Financial Statement, Mrs Hamilton-Meikle asked that the appreciation of the late Mr Terras's work & enthusiastic keenness for the Society be mentioned. The Committee expressed deep regret at Mr Terras's death and spoke of his deep interest in all that concerned the S.C.D.S. Miss Mulligan suggested that a bureau which Mr Terras had used & which belonged to the Society, might be given to Mrs Terras as a mark of appreciation of her husband's work. The Committee agreed.

Mrs Brown read the Financial Statement which was submitted by Miss McHellan. Owing to an increase in the sale of books and the decrease in salaries there was a profit during the past seven months of about £120.

It was estimated that after allowing for necessary expenses, the profit for the year should be about £60 to £70.

The Committee expressed their approval of the Statement and at Miss Milligan's suggestion it was decided to

↑ restore the Treasurer's Salary to £1 per week as from 1st June 1943. The matter of the signature of the

Annual Audit was mentioned - last year having been signed by Mr McKinnon. The Committee agreed that Mr McKinnon should be authorized to sign the Audit on behalf of the firm as well as Mr Lyle.

51st Div. Comforts Fund (P.D.W.) Miss Milligan told the Committee how the fund had been started & the amount received from Branches which was at present £140. There was a discussion as to how the money could best be allocated owing to the difficulty of sending gifts to individual prisoners of war - it was decided to appoint a Sub-Committee consisting of Mrs Hamilton-Mitchell, Miss Milligan and Mrs Brown, to find out the best means and to deal with the matter. The recommendation was made that the money should be sent to various Comd's Comforts Funds in proportion to number of 51st Div.

Bulletin leaflet.

prisoners of war from each County.

It was decided not to publish a Bulletin until the Autumn when Reports from Branches could be inserted along with the Financial Statement.

The Secretary was given permission to have the list of Branches, contents of Booklets brought up to date and reprinted. The Secretary was asked to tell Branch Secretaries to send an annual list of their Members to Headquarters so that a record could be kept.

The Committee discussed the possibility of holding a Summer School next year & Mrs Brown was asked to book University Hall, St. Andrews for a fortnight in August 1944.

Any other

Competent business

A letter was read from Mrs Siddell, Secretary of the Manchester Branch asking that an official from Headquarters should visit her Branch in order to encourage the Members and give them a fillip. The Committee appreciated the keenness of the Manchester Branch & sympathized with the desire for a visit from Headquarters. As Miss Milligan had been invited to go to Rochdale in July to hold an examination for members there, it was decided to ask the Manchester Branch if they would be willing to share

1st Class travelling expenses for Miss Mulligan if she could arrange to visit them.

New Branch

Miss Mulligan reported that the Rochdale Branch had been started and had now 30 members. The Branch was on the same footing as Branches in Scotland and required no financial help from the Society.

A letter was read from the Secretariat of the U.S.S.R. expressing the thanks of that Country for the gift from the S.C.D.S. of a selection of dance books for the Museum Library in Moscow. These had been sent at the request of the British Council.

Advanced Certificate - A suggestion was made by Miss Mulligan that the time had come to institute an Advanced Certificate for those already holding the Full Certificate and who would be eligible to teach advanced classes etc. There was a certain amount of interesting discussion on the subject but it was decided that such an important matter would have to be gone in to very carefully. At the Chairman's suggestion it was agreed that the members present would each prepare a scheme and submit it at the

next meeting of the Management Committee.

It was felt that it might be necessary to hold a meeting of the Executive Council in the Autumn.

This ended the business of the meeting.

Prof. A. S. M. M. M.

16th October 1943.

A meeting of the Management Committee was held on Saturday, 16th October 1943, in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh, at 11.45 a.m.

Present.

Mrs Hamilton-Meikle (Chairman), Miss Anderson, Mr Duthie, Miss Mulligan, Lord James Stewart Murray, Mrs Brown (Hon. Secretary) and Miss Hadden (Acting Secy).

Apologies

Apologies were intimated from Miss Dow & Mrs Stewart.

Copyright Correspondence. At the start of the meeting, Mr Shaw, the Society's lawyer, read to the Committee the correspondence he had had with the Mechanical-Copyright Protection Society regarding Mr Diack's claim to the mechanical royalties of the S.C.D.S. dance records. After discussing the matter the Committee decided that Mr Shaw should write again to the M.C.P.S. sending a copy of Mr Diack's receipts for a fee for arranging the music of Book 4. The Secretary reported that no royalties

had been received from Paterson's Publications since March 1941 and that no reply had been received from Paterson's Publications since March 1941 and that no reply had been received to two letters sent to them ordering Books 1 & 2 which they had reprinted. This being a breach of contract, Mr Shaw said he would write to them asking for an explanation and a statement of books sold.

Minutes. The minutes of the last meeting held on 16th May, were read, approved and signed.

Business arising P.O.W. Fund.

The Secretary reported that £158.5.8 had been received and Miss Mulligan suggested that the money might be used to provide games, music, footballs & bagpipes, all requests from the Prisoners of War. She said that this could be arranged through Mrs Hicks, Rotheray, whose husband, Major Hicks, was in the prison camp in Germany where the "51st Div. Reel" had been composed.

This suggestion was considered a good one by the Committee and it was left to Miss Mulligan to make the final arrangements regarding the payment of the money.

Financial Statement. Mrs Brown read the Financial Statement which was submitted by Miss McHellan.

A very satisfactory balance of £109.3.5 was shown and in the explanation of the various items it was noted that this balance was partly due to the increase in Branch subscriptions, the first since 1939, ~~and~~ the sale of books & leaflets and the reduction in salaries & expenditure, printing etc.

The adoption of the Financial Statement was proposed by Mr Duthie & seconded by Miss Mulligan. The statement was unanimously adopted.

The Secretary was asked to write to Miss McHellan to express the Committee's appreciation of her work as Treasurer.

Week end Course.

Mrs Hamilton-Meikle told the meeting that as a result of a Guiders Conference at which she had spoken on Scottish Country dancing, there was a general desire for a week end course which Guiders could attend with a view to improving their own dancing and receive hints on teaching. It was decided to hold such a course & it was thought that Edinburgh would be the best centre - Mrs Brown said that she had applied for Moray House but Dr Inglis

in his reply had suggested that the Society should apply elsewhere first. After discussing the difficulties of accommodation, it was decided to make application for Brougham Sunday School for Dec 10th & 11th or for Dec. 4th & 5th.

A programme was drawn up & the Secretary was instructed to have a slip put in the Bulletin and to notify Guide Headquarters. Miss Milligan and Miss Anderson accepted. The invitation of the Committee to teach at the Course.

Advanced Certificate On the Chairman's suggestion the discussion on the proposed advanced certificate was postponed until the week end course when the matter could be talked over with certificated teachers who would be present and a report given at the next meeting.

This ended the business of the meeting -
Jack Bonita - McKee.

13th May 1944

Present

A meeting of the Management Committee was held on Saturday, 13th May, 1944 in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh at 11.45 a.m. Mrs Hamilton-Meikle (Chairman), Miss Anderson, Miss Dow, Mr Duthie, Miss Milligan, Mrs Brown (Hon. Sec.) & Miss Hadden (acting Secretary).

Apology

An apology was intimated from Mrs Stewart.

Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 16th Oct. 1943 were read, approved & signed.

Business arising.

P.O.W. Fund. Miss Milligan reported that she had received two further donations of £5.5/- and £2.8/- for the 51st Div. P.O.W. Fund, and she told the Committee that a lady in London, an official of the Red Cross, had special means of obtaining bagpipes at a much cheaper rate and had already sent these to the 51st Div. P.O.W. It was decided that any further donations which were received for this fund should be sent to London.

Week End Course A satisfactory account of the week end course held in January in Edinburgh was given - it was noted that the profit amounted to £15-0-6d. It was agreed to have a similar course in the Autumn, possibly end of October or the beginning of November.

Advanced Certificate

It was stated that there had not been an opportunity at the week end course of discussing the suggested advanced certificate with the teachers who were there. After some discussion the Committee decided that the matter was too large a one to be gone into at the moment & although they approved of the idea, they thought this matter should be in abeyance until after the war.

Committee Extension

Mrs Brown put forward a suggestion that the Management Committee should be extended. This was discussed and it was decided to co-opt two new members for the duration of the war. The Secretary was instructed to invite Mrs Robertson, Hon. Secy. Angus Branch, to act in this capacity also to write to the Aberdeen Branch asking them to submit a name of a member who had been associated with the Society for some time and who was keenly interested in its affairs.

Financial Statement

A short financial statement was read from Miss McHellan. It was noted that the sale of books had decreased considerably

but in spite of this and with a large sum expended on reprinting "24 Favourite S.P. Dances" there was still a slight profit to date.

The Committee expressed satisfaction at Miss McHellan's clear report.

Executive Meeting

It was decided to call the Executive Council in the Autumn.

Examiners Panel

The need for more people who were suitable to act as examiners in Scottish Country dancing was stressed and after some discussion the suggestion was made that experienced examiners for the Society should take with them whenever possible, younger members suitably qualified who would gain the necessary experience and in due course be eligible to act on their own.

Publications

The Committee felt that the time had come to prepare dances for a new book which could be published as soon as this was possible. Miss Millegan told the Committee that she had a collection of dances from which a selection might be made. Miss Millegan agreed to have copies of the dances made and sent to the members of Committee before the next meeting so

Correspondence that the dances could be discussed and tried out.

The Secretary read correspondence from Mr Michael Diack of Paterson's Publications also from Mr Shaw - the Society's lawyer - regarding the position with the Mechanical Copyright Protection Association. Mr Diack in his letters of 8th & 16th November 1943 stated that he was anxious to settle the matter which had caused "considerable friction" between his Company & the S.C.D.S.

The Committee agreed that it would be advisable to invite Mr Diack to a meeting so that the business could be thoroughly discussed.

The Secretary was asked to write to Mr Diack suggesting a meeting with representatives of the Management Committee on his next visit North. Miss Milligan and Mrs Brown were asked to prepare a short statement of the position from the beginning of the correspondence with Paterson's Publications, to send to the sub Committee who were to meet Mr Diack. It was agreed that the sub Committee should consist of Mrs Hamilton-Meikle, Miss Anderson, Mrs Brown, Mr Duthie and Miss Milligan.

Any other
Competent business.

Summer School The Secretary having told the Committee of unsuccessful attempts to obtain suitable accommodation for a Summer School it was decided with regret that it would not be possible to hold one this year but that possibilities for next year should be explored.

This ended the business of the meeting.

Met Minutes - Meikle

4th Nov. 1944

A meeting of the Management Committee was held on Saturday, 4th Nov. 1944 at 2 p.m. in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh.

Present

Mrs Hamilton-Meikle, (Chairman), Miss L. Brown, Miss Milligan, Lord James Stewart Murray, Mrs Robertson, Miss Mc Lellan (Treasurer), Mrs Brown, (Hon. Secretary) and Miss Hadden (Acting Secretary).

Apologies

Apologies were received from Miss Anderson, Miss Dow, Mr Duthie & Mrs Stewart.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting held on 13th May, 1944, were read, approved and signed.

Business arising.

Mrs Hamilton-Meikle welcomed to the meeting Mrs Brown & Mrs Robertson & expressed the pleasure of the Committee at their inclusion to the Management Committee.

4th Nov. 1944

Financial Report.

Miss McHellan submitted the Financial Statement which showed an increase once more, the balance now being £878.17.3. Mrs Hamilton-Meikle in welcoming Miss McHellan to her first Committee meeting thanked her on behalf of the Committee for her very clear statement of the Finance. The members of the Committee endorsed these remarks & showed their approval of the Financial Report - which had been signed by the Auditor.

Paterson's Publications

Correspondence dealing with the controversy between the Society and Paterson's Publications was read by Mrs Brown and it was noted that no meeting had yet been arranged by Mr Diack. The Committee felt very strongly that the advice of a lawyer dealing with publishing law should be taken and a written report given before a meeting with Mr Diack took place. Miss Mulligan stated that she knew of someone with the necessary qualifications and it was left to her to get in touch with him.

New Dances.

A number of new dances were submitted for the Committee's consideration - these were gone over & discussed. A certain number were put aside for further investigation and it was

hoped that there would be some more available for the next meeting.

Week End Course

The Secretary reported that the week end course had been arranged for 8th & 9th Dec. 1944 in Moray House Training College - further arrangements were made and Miss Mulligan & Miss Anderson were invited to teach at the course.

Bulletin Leaflet.

It was decided to issue the dance "The Machine without Horses" along with the Bulletin which would contain reports from Branches & the Financial Statement.

Any other

Competent business

The Chairman and the Secretary reported on the presentation of the bound book containing Books 1-12, to Her Majesty, the Queen at Holyrood House on 21st September, and the Secretary was asked to write a paragraph about this in the Bulletin.

Summer School A letter was read from Miss Murray, University Hall, saying that she hoped to welcome our School in 1945 but that she feared the first fortnight of August might not be possible and suggested either the second fortnight of July or the second fortnight of August. After some discussion it was agreed that the second fortnight of July would be most suitable & the Secretary was asked to write to Miss Murray.

"St. John's Reel" The Committee's opinion was

asked on a dance "St. Johnstown's Reel" which had been sent from a German P.O.W. Camp - The men were anxious to know if they were infringing copyright by writing the description of this dance.

The Secretary was told to reply that as the dance was not traditional, there was no question of copyright being infringed.

This ended the business of the meeting.

Jan. 16th 1945

10th February 1945 A meeting of the Management Committee was held on Saturday, 10th February 1945 at 11.30 a.m. in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh.

Present Mrs Hamilton-Meikle (Chairman), Miss Browne, Miss Milligan, Mrs Robertson, Mrs Brown (Hon. Secretary) & Miss Hadden (Acting Secretary).

Apologies Apologies were intimated from Miss Anderson, Miss Dow, Mr Dunbar, Mrs Stewart & Miss Whellan (Treas).

Minutes The Minutes of the last meeting held on 4th Nov. 1944 were read, approved & signed.

Business Arising Week End Course Members of the Committee who were present reported on the success of the week end course held in December - it was noted that the profit amounted to £30.19/-.

Books 6-12 Miss Milligan told the Committee that she had received information that the music shops were telling their customers that S.C.D.S. books 6-12 were out of print. The Secretary was instructed to have a notice in some of the educational journals and newspapers contradicting this statement. It was also suggested that an erratum slip should be prepared for insertion in the books where Miss Forgan's name & address were printed.

Summer School

The Secretary reported that the dates of the Summer School were 30th July to 11th August.

The Committee felt very strongly that teachers should be booked as soon as possible.

Miss Milligan was unanimously invited to be Director of the School - it was left to her and the Secretary to make further arrangements and to prepare an application form to be sent to Members at the end of April.

Financial Statement A short financial report was read from Miss Whellan from which it was noted with satisfaction that subscriptions from Branches had been coming in well & that the sale of books and leaflets had increased during the last four months as compared with last year at the same time.

Paternis Publications Arising out of the Minutes of the last meeting, Miss Mulligan reported that the publishing expert whom she had meant to consult on behalf of the Society, had died.

After some discussion, Mrs Hamilton-Meikle proposed that Mr Shaw should be consulted and asked for further advice after which the Sub. Committee could either meet Mr Dracks or further correspondence could take place with a view to getting the matter finally settled.

Miss Mulligan & Mrs Brown agreed to consult Mr Shaw at an early date.

Central Council

of Physical Recreation Mrs Brown told the Committee of the setting up in Scotland of the Central Council of Physical Recreation. The Society is already affiliated to the main body in London but it was suggested that Miss Mulligan's name should be put forward as the representative to the C.C.P.R. in Scotland.

New Book

Considerable time was spent in discussing & dancing the collection of dances which had previously been sent to Members.

Fourteen dances were finally chosen - two of

which would have to be eliminated at a future meeting. The names of the dances were as follows:

Shaglass House (Shattoper)	Miss Colquhoun's Reel
The Highland Reel	Bridge of Nairn (Shattoper)
The Durnan Ranger	The Miller's Bow has Vanished
A Kiss for Nothing	Lady Betty Hay's Reel
Fly not Yet! (Jig)	Ladies Fancy
Barley Bree (Jig)	Mrs Stewart's Shattoper
5 1st (H) Div. Reel	New Town of Edinburgh.

This ended the business of the meeting.

Jean C Mulligan
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