

**Records of the
NATIONAL UNIVERSITY WOMEN
GRADUATES' ASSOCIATION**

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Introduction

The records of the National University Women Graduates' Association (N.U.W.G.A.) were deposited on its behalf in the Archives Department, University College, Dublin, by Mary J. Hogan in March 1983. The collection is interesting in that it documents the foundation, policies and correspondence of the Association from 1902-1982.

The original Association was called the Irish Association of Women Graduates and Candidate Graduates (I.A.W.G. and C.G.) with branches founded in Belfast, Londonderry, Cork and Galway. It was founded at a meeting in the Gresham Hotel on Friday 14 March, 1902 and its main object was to secure for women the advantages of University education in Ireland as they were being offered to men. Hanna Sheehy-Skeffington was one of the founding members of the Association. [1-27].

In view of the unsatisfactory conditions for women university students, it was not surprising that one of the first acts of the newly formed I.A.W.G. and C.G. was to nominate two of its members to give evidence to the Royal Commission on University Education in Ireland (Robertson Commission) then in session (1902). Those chosen were Miss Annie McElderry and Miss Agnes O'Farrelly, who gave statements before the Commission in order to secure improved conditions for women students to the extent of obtaining for them equality in the level of teaching with men students. Included in this collection is the statement presented by Mrs O'Farrelly [37].

In the years 1902-1909, the Association was occupied with efforts to get the claim of women for university education acknowledged. It is noted that the I.A.W.G. and C.G. was affiliated to the Federation of University Women, (F.U.W), London in 1909.

In 1914 it was decided that the Association, which had originally included all university women should divide itself into three Associations, one for each university, Dublin University, National University of Ireland, Queen's University, Belfast. The three

Associations joined in 1925 to form the Irish Federation of University Women. In the same year the Irish F.U.W. was affiliated to the International F.U.W.

The earliest location of meetings of the Dublin branch of the Association was probably No. 82 St. Stephen's Green, the house acquired for the use of women students by the College(?1909). In the late 1930's No.82 was required by the College so from 1938 to 1940 the meetings were held in the Women Professors' room in Earlsfort Terrace. Newman House has been the main location for meetings of the Association up to the present time.

The Irish F.U.W., founded in 1925 [30] holds a Triennial Conference for all members and twice yearly council meetings in between conferences. The main annual activity of the Irish F.U.W. is an Autumn Study Week End, held in different centres in the country [81-82]. Reports from the individual Associations are given each year in the Irish Federation Newsletter [87-99].

The Irish F.U.W. marked Women's Year by sponsoring a fellowship to enable a postgraduate student to work on some aspect of women in Irish Life and society [83]. The Fellowship Fund was sponsored by the Department of Labour, some Banks, D.U.W.G.A., Q.U.W.G.A., N.U.W.G.A., Fund for University Women Inc., a Belfast firm and Virginia Gildersleeve International.

As stated the Irish F.U.W. was affiliated to the International F.U.W. in 1925. Triennial conferences are held in different countries as does a Triennial council meeting [104-105]. Through the Association's membership of the Irish F.U.W., members are eligible to compete for International Fellowships and Bursaries such as the Crosby Hall Scholarship offered by the British F.U.W. and the American Aurelia Henry Reinhardt International Fellowship [103]. Similar to the Irish F.U.W., the International F.U.W. distributes newsletters to its member Associations [108-137].

The Irish F.U.W. established an International Relations Committee in 1925 under the suggestion of the International F.U.W., to deal with foreign graduates or International Federation visitors. Bridget Stafford, a graduate of Dublin University was greatly involved with this committee and her collection containing correspondence, reports and other material relating to her activities was deposited as part of N.U.W.G.A. [see P63]. It was separated from the main collection as it documents Bridget Staffords particular relationship with the International Relations Committee and also because, as a graduate from Trinity College, she was not a member of N.U.W.G.A., and, therefore, had no involvement in the activities and running of the Association.

In relation to the general work of N.U.W.G.A., from the beginning it was concerned with the various questions in regard to women graduates employment in Government Departments, Hospitals and Schools [3]. They also attempted to influence public policy in relation to the Sex Disqualification(Removal) Act 1919, Civil Service Amendment Bill 1925, and the draft Constitution of 1937. Regarding the latter, N.U.W.G.A. met 'to consider the danger to the status of women threatened under the Draft Constitution'. They objected to certain articles in the constitution which could open the door for legislation against women in many areas, such as women not having any claim to the exercise of the franchise equally with men, interference by the State with the affairs of family life, and a policy of not paying an equal wage to women doing the same work as men. A women's political party was also formed to encourage women to vote against the New Constitution. The vote on the constitution was taken on July 1, 1937 and much to the women's dismay was carried [51].

Other work N.U.W.G.A. was involved in was in the aid and relief to foreign refugees in Germany and Hungary in 1949 and 1957 [52-53].

N.U.W.G.A. gave support to a variety of organisations. One being the Adhoc Committee for the Status of Women formed in 1968 by members from women's organisations to research discrimination

against women in Ireland. Following a memorandum presented by this Committee the government established the Commission on the Status of Women in 1970 to report on the status of women in Irish Society. This report was published in 1972. The Commission invited the W.G.A.'s of U.C.D. and T.C.D. to submit information relating to the employment of women graduates. This was carried out in the form of a questionnaire, the survey being published in 1972 [66]. Information on the progress in implementing the recommendations contained in the Report of the Commission is to be found in the Final Report of the Women's Representative Council 1978 [67].

N.U.W.G.A. also supported the question in regard to the pre-1968 Civil Service Widow's Pensions Scheme in 1981 [68]. The Joint Committee of Women's Societies and Social Workers and the Women's Social and Progressive League investigated and reported on various issues such as vocation for women, women police force, political problems of women, prostitution, illegitimacy and schools. N.U.W.G.A. supported these committees by submitting memoranda and by sending representatives to the meetings [59-64].

From the beginning and through the years the members of the Association at their meetings considered questions regarding employment for women graduates; they also held social meetings and meetings at which papers on various subjects were presented and discussed. These events were then recorded in the form of annual reports [16] and include such activities as joint meetings and luncheons with D.U.W.G.A., receptions for distinguished persons such as J. MacNeill, wife of the 2nd Governor General of the Irish Free State, annual dinners and fund raising events [54-58].

Arrangement and description.

The material has been arranged to document the growth and work of the Association from its foundation and therefore has been divided into two main categories, the first being the original Association, I.A.W.G., the second being N.U.W.G.A. and the change of name of the Dublin Branch in 1973 by constitution to U.C.D.W.G.A.

The first section deals with history, social issues and affiliation to the Federation of University Women. The second section has been subdivided into seven groups on the basis of the Association's general and financial administration, their political and relief work and social events, their support to organisations, affiliation to the Irish and International F.U.W. and its relationship to other Irish Universities such as Cork, Trinity and Queens.

The unit of description is generally the file, though the collection does contain a number of publications such as newsletters, annual reports, historical outlines, surveys and reports. One such publication [12] written by Mary J. Hogan, outlines the historical development of the Association in relation to its political and social involvement and to its organisation and meetings. The collection also contains a photograph album [51] containing newspaper cuttings relating to N.U.W.G.A.'s objection to the Draft Constitution and various photographs and newspaper articles relating to meetings and social events held by the Association. These have been incorporated into the collection on the basis of subject matter and chronology.

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In March 1984, a second collection of N.U.W.G.A. records was deposited in the Archives Department by Professor Eva Philbin (N.U.W.G.A. 2).

iii. Presidents and graduate members:Photographs

- 4 1902 ; 1952 Photocopy of names of those who were president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and committee of I.W.G.A. and C.G. and N.U.W.G.A.
Includes: A Oldham(Pres), M. Hayden(vice Pres A.W. Haslett(Sec), Curran(Treas),M.Beaumont (Pres), M. Davoren (Sec), M. Belton(Treas).
1p
- 5 1902 - 1952 Photocopy of photographs of Presidents of N.U.W.G.A. 3 persons include A. Oldham, I. Mulvany, M. Hayden, A. O'Farrelly,M.Macken K. Phelan, M. Beaumont.
1p
- 6 Nov 1913 Newspaper cutting from the Daily Sketch showing six photographs of women graduates in academic dress from National University of Ireland. Caption states - 'the above series of photographs will show that it is no longer necessary for a woman to be plain in order to be clever'.
1 item
- iv. Federation of University Women including annual reports.
- 7 1909 Typescript copy report and printed statement relating to the founding of the Central Federation of University Women. Items detail the resolutions of the meeting of delegates from the local Associations of University Women and from women's colleges at which it was decided to form the Federation. The names of those representatives present, resolutions adopted in relation to the formation,compositio qualifications for membership, constitution and committees, finances and work, are also outlined.
2 items
- 8 Jul-Nov 1909 Affiliated members: MS. letters from I. Smedley (Sec. of F.U.W.) to Secretary of I.A.W.G. relating to her desire for the I.A.W.G. to join as an affiliated member and pay a subscription to the central fund. She outlines that the subscriptions will be used for fellowship and research scholarships and the entrance fees are to cover working expenses.
Includes: MS. letter from I. Smedley to Byrne(Sec. of I.A.W.G.) welcomming the Association into the Federation and stating the rate of subscription.
5 items

Objects, rules, annual report relating to membership, committee meetings, general meetings, scholarships offered, employment, reports of local Associations, and a statement of financial account relating to the central fund, fellowship fund, donations and subscriptions.

9	1909 - 1910	2pp
10	1910 - 1911	22pp
11	1911 - 1912	23pp

B. National University/University College Dublin
Women Graduates Association 1928-1982

I. General Administration 1929-1982

i. Foundation and development.

- 12 1982 Printed pamphlet compiled by Mary J. Hogan, relating to the background and activities of N.U.W.G.A. Content includes background, constitution, recruitment of members, Irish Federation of University Women and International Federation of University Women. Information relating to their efforts to influence public policy, meetings such as papers read and distinguished guests invited, fund raising activities, support to organisations, officers and early presidents. Includes: 3 photographs relating to the Association such as reception for J. MacNeill, wife of second Governor General of the Irish Free state, and committee members.

76pp

ii. Membership

- 13 1931 - 1932 Address book of the Secretary of U.C.D.W.G.A. Entries arranged alphabetically by name. Detail includes name and address of member, including year of membership, names of life members and those who have paid membership fees.

c.110pp

iii. General Committee: Photograph.

- 14 May 1982 Black and White photograph with covering list of names showing U.C.D.W.G.A. Committee 1980-1982. Members include E. Gilligan(Sec), M. Hogan, M.E. Walsh, C. O Ceallaigh (Pres), M. Carroll(Vice Pres), P. Roche, V. Randles (Treas).

2 items

iv. Galway Branch: Closure.

- 15 1971- 1972 Reports, letters and resolutions relating mainly to the voluntary closure of the Galway branch of N.U.W.G.A. Includes: typescript constitution of the branch referring to the purpose, membership, subscription, meetings, officers and their duties, committees and financial accounts. Includes: Typescript copy of the resolutions of a special meeting in which three trustees are nominated to close all financial affairs. A summary of accounts and liquidation account showing the balance of income and expenditure is also enclosed.

3 items

v. Annual Reports.

Secretary's reports: Contents include names of officers and committee members, foundation and membership. Reports relate to membership numbers, meetings held during the session, annual dinners, committee meetings, representatives on the joint committee of Women's Societies, special outings, talks delivered and special events such as card drives, coffee mornings, sales and film shows for charity. Personal news of members includes appointments, successes, retirements, deaths. Reports are included on the activities of the Galway branch, Irish Federation events and International Federation conferences.

From 1939 onwards reports are presented in typescript format.

16	1929 - 1930	8pp
17	1933	14pp
18	1938 - 1939	3 items
19	1939	2pp
20	1940 - 1944	4pp
21	1948 - 1949	3pp
22	1957 - 1958	4pp
23	1959 - 1960	3pp
24	1960 - 1961	2pp
25	1961 - 1962	2pp
26	1962	2pp
27	1963	1p
28	1964	1p
29	1965	2pp
30	1966	2pp

31	1967	1p
32	1968	2pp
33	1969	2pp
34	1970	2pp
35	1971	3pp
36	1972 - 1973	5pp
37	1973 - 1974	1p
38	1974 - 1975	2pp
39	1975 - 1976	7pp

II. Financial Administration 1939-1976.

i. Treasurers reports and account books.

40	1939 - 1976	Summary income and expenditure: accounts for N.U.W.G.A. and U.C.D.W.G.A. Income includes items such as members fees, payments for dinners, interest on loan, proceeds for card drives and wine and cheese lunches. Expenditure includes affiliation and capitation fees, secretarial expenses, catering at meetings, film shows, benevolent funds, subscriptions to disabled children and voluntary emergency services. Includes: lists of members attending annual dinners.
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21 items

41	1942 - 1945	Consolidated account book showing income and expenditure. Income includes cash and cheques from M. Bowler (Treas.), Galway affiliation fees, subscriptions, grant from Belfast, dinner money. Expenditure includes wreath for M. Hayden, secretarial expenses, tips, hire of piano, affiliation fees to Belfast, election fund, dinners and joint committee subscriptions.
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4pp

ii. Receipt books.

Series of used receipt books from N.U.W.G.A. Detail includes number of receipt, date, name and address of payee, amount paid. Entries in chronological order. Includes: entries when receipts sent to Belfast and Galway to cover their fees paid to the Association. Other entries detail members' fees.

42	June 1940- June 1942	58pp
43	Oct 1942- Nov 1942	47pp
44	Nov 1942- Mar 1943	c. 69pp
45	Mar 1943- Jan 1944	28pp
46	Jan 1944- Feb 1944	29pp
47	Feb 1944- Mar 1944	29pp
48	Aug 1944- Nov 1944	48pp
49	Mar 1945- Dec 1945	45pp

iii. Treasurer's Correspondence

50	1943 - 1947	Irish Federation: Receipts, bank statements and letters relating to the affairs carried out by the treasurer. Receipts are mainly from the Irish Federation acknowledging capitation fees received. Letters received by treasurer relate to enclosed cheques or postal orders, bills, acknowledgements of payments, or requests for fees to be paid. Includes: letters from C.D. McKinnon (Treas. of Irish Federation) to M. Semple (Treas. of N.U.W.G.A.) informing her of a three pence refund per head for subscriptions, and requesting that each member pay the full fees and be refunded this amount.
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c. 20 items

III. Activities of the Association

i. Politics including the 1937 constitution.

- 51 May-Dec 1937; Photograph album containing press cuttings, circulars and statements concerning the opposition to the draft constitution. The objection is to three clauses which are believed to undermine the extent to which women would be allowed to work outside the home. Additional items relate to foreign visitors to meetings, annual dinners and lectures held. Press cuttings are taken from newspapers such as Irish Independent, Irish Times, Observer, Irish Press, Evening Herald, Kilkenny Post. Includes: material relating to special meetings to be held and letters from N.U.W.G.A. to the Executive Council and press articles asking to vote against the constitution. Includes: Press cuttings relating to the establishment of 'The Women's Social and Political League' formed to promote the political, social and economic status of women. Nov 1937. Includes: press cuttings following the enactment of the constitution in relation to issues such as salaries and women's work.

c. 38pp

ii. Relief Work.

- 52 Mar 1949 MS. letter and envelope from German students thanking the Association for clothes and blankets forwarded. Students explain that they are living in a soldiers' barracks and relate their long journeys to lectures in Munster. They state that a new University building is being erected. The letter is signed by all the girls living in 'the little barrack'.
- 2 items
- 53 Mar -Apr 1957 Hungarian refugees: Letters from the sub-committee for the relief of Hungarian University women, to the Red Cross, contributors, and G. Hausmann, concerning clothes and toilet requisites received from each contributor. Types of contributions include coats, skirts, hats, stockings, handkerchiefs, soap, washing powder. Report also shows the method of distribution and purchase of items from subscriptions. Includes: Copy letter to G. Hausmann expressing sympathy with refugees and congratulations to the Austrian Federation of University Women in their assistance.

10 items

iii. Social events: including photographs

- 54 1928 Black and white photograph and covering list of names relating to a reception held for J. MacNeill, wife of the Second Governor General of the Irish Free State, in the Council Chamber, U.C.D. Persons include: M. Bowler, A. O'Farrelly, M. Hayden, J. MacNeill, M. Macken, Dr. Denis J. Coffey (Pres. U.C.D.), Prof. Robert O'Dwyer. Those attending are wearing full evening or academic dress.
- 2 items
- 55 Dec. 1938 Newspaper cutting from The Irish Times showing photograph of a group of women who attended a women graduates' Association meeting at U.C.D. Typescript list of most of those included in the photograph such as M. Hayden, M. Macken, A. O'Farrelly, M. Hogan (Sec M. Bowler (Treas)).
- 2 items
- 56 Dec. 1939 Black and White photograph with covering list of names showing group of U.C.D.W.G.A. at the annual dinner in the Clarence Hotel. Persons include: M. Bowler, M. Beaumont, M. Hayden, A. O'Farrelly, A.M. Barrett.
- 2 items
- 57 1942 - 1944 Meetings and dinners: Correspondence and typescript circulars relating mainly to Association affairs. Matters include the election of a president for the Association, notices of annual dinners, membership, committee meeting agenda, papers to be read at general meetings, election of office holders and joint luncheons with Dublin University Women Graduates Association.
- c. 30 items
- 58 c.1962 Black and White photograph with covering list of names showing group of women graduates in evening dress. Persons include R. Larkin, Dr. Neans Wyse-Power and M. Hogan.
- 2 items

IV. Organisations to which N.U.W.G.A. was Affiliated. 1935-1982

i Joint committee of Women's Societies and Social Workers.

- 59 May-Dec 1940 Vocation: Letters relating to the request for each member body to submit a memorandum on the subject of vocation for women to be delivered to the Vocational Commission. Information required includes date of origin of each society, number of members, Secretary, objects, activities and successes attained.
- 3 items
- 60 1935 - 1942 Security and Social issues: Typescript copy report by W.R. O'Hegarty concerning matters such as the establishment of a women police force, representation of women in courts, the new Draft Constitution, political problems of women, the need for more probation officers, legal adoption, maintenance for women, prostitution, evacuation, and feeding problems due to the war, conditions in prisons, midday meals for school children. Committees were set up to discuss these issues and petitions and reports made. Includes: list of member societies and committee members and a financial statement of accounts.
- 8pp
- 61 1942 - 1945 Problems relating to children: Letters, reports and memoranda. Issues discussed include desire for increase in the number of probation officers, women police, legal adoption, delinquent children suggestions for fire drills in schools following a fire in Cavan. Includes: memorandum relating to illegitimate children in institutions, boarded out and nurse children. Content includes issues raised relating to the birth of such children in relation to pre-natal treatment of the mother, hospital births and after-care, children left in institutions, adoption and foster parents. June 1942. Includes: circular by D. Dempsey, Secretary of the Emergency Conference of Women's Societies calling for a conference to be held to discuss how they can help the communities threatened by food shortage.
- 8 items

ii. Women's Social and Progressive League.

2 Printed annual reports: Contents include names of committee members, secretary's report relating to the discussions held at meetings during the year on matters such as school meals, vocationalism, the state scheme of family allowance, nationality of married women, the unwanted child and other activities such as sales of work, and whist drives. Treasurer's reports and lists of members and subscriptions are also included.

62 1941 - 1942 20pp

63 1942 - 1943 11pp

64 Jan 1943 Dail Election: MS. letter and printed leaflets from Hanna Sheehy-Skeffington (Chairwoman) to M. Conan (Sec. of N.U.W.G.A.) relating to their proposal to put forward an independent woman candidate for the next Dail election, requesting the support of N.U.W.G.A. Leaflets state the objects and benefits of electing an independent woman candidate to the Dail.

3 items

iii. Council of Action.

65 Nov 1942 Typescript memorandum and covering letter from A. Garly to U.C.D.W.G.A. He requests their support in ensuring that the terms of the Censorship of Publications Act are adhered to but not exceeded as at present. He claims that many books are censored unjustly because the censors do not read the whole book to establish the general content, but rather read only the portions previously marked. The Council of Action is formed by representatives of societies of journalists and writers.

5 pp

iv. Commission on the status of women.

66 1972 Printed results of a survey of women graduates carried out by U.C.D.W.G.A. in conjunction with the staff of the commission. Content includes: introduction relating to the questionnaire, tables and summary results under headings such as year of graduation, post graduate job experience, qualifications, employment, women in top jobs, career, marriage, family, resignations, return to work. Appendices show statistical summary of women in higher level civil

service and a copy of the questionnaire.(26pp) with covering letter.

2 items

- 67 Dec 1978 Printed copy of the Second Progress report on the implementation of the Recommendation in the Report of the Commission on the Status of Women written by the Women's Representative Committee. Content includes background to the committee and names of members. Report and summary progress report on the carrying out of recommendations by the Departments of Labour, Finance, Public Service, Social Welfare, Justice, Environment, Health, Education, and Industry Commerce and Energy. Appendices relate to submissions to governmental departments on various issues. Alphabetical list by subject, and numerical list of recommendations, action taken and suggestions

96pp

- 68 1975 - 1982 Equal opportunity, Civil Service Widows Scheme: Letters, memoranda and photocopied articles relating to the foundation and activities of the Commission. Items include details on the history of the Commission, programmes of seminars held in International Women's Year, and letters, newspaper articles and photocopies referring to the Progress Report of the Commission. Includes: Memorandum covering the status of women in the Irish Free State giving examples of sexual discrimination in legislature. Reference is made to the Employment Bill and states the 'desire of women to co-operate with men in the effort to establish an even higher standard of living'. Includes: Memorandum dealing with the introduction of the Civil Service Superannuation Scheme whereby civil servants pay part of their wages towards a scheme which provides for their widows and children.

10 items

V. Other Irish Universities 1935-1976

i. University College Cork.

5 photocopied articles from the Cork University Record by Professor D. Gwynn and K. O'Flaherty and from the University review by Sister M. Benevenuta MacCurtain relating mainly to university education in Ireland. Content includes the origins of Queen's College Cork and St. Mary's University College, tracing the steps which led to the decision to have a university to serve the province of Munster including the controversy as to where to build it. Articles relate also to the attitude to women in university education both in Cork and St. Mary's universities.

- 69 1947 6pp
- 70 1948 6pp

71	1949	3pp
72	1949	5pp
73	1963	8pp

ii. Queen's University Belfast:
Women Graduates' Association.

4 annual reports: Contents include names of officers and committee, statutes, past presidents, committee's reports relating to conferences, meetings, annual dinners, International Federation reports regarding officers, badges, clubhouses, and hotels and Crosby Hall, Irish Federation reports. There are reports from University Women's Clubs and personal news of women graduates such as employment, awards, births, marriages, deaths and obituaries. Statements of receipts and expenditure and lists of members are also included.

74	1935 - 1936	47pp
75	1939 - 1940	35pp
76	1972 - 1973	32pp
77	1976	27pp

iii. Trinity College Dublin:
Women Graduates' Association.

2 printed reports and statements of accounts: Contents include names of officers and committee, Committee's reports relating to the London Branch, the Irish and International Federations, war service and college news giving details of deaths, appointments, scholarships and memorial lectures. Personal news of members include retirements, illness, achievements, appointments, births, marriages and deaths. Statements of accounts and lists of names and addresses of members are also included.

78	1939 - 1940	25pp
79	1941 - 1943	23pp

VI. Irish Federation of University Women
1932 - 1982

i. Foundation and meetings.

- 80 1932 - 1937 Constitution: Typescript letters, draft proposals and amendments relating to the drawing up of the constitution for the Federation. Includes: photocopied list of comments from University College Cork, Trinity College Dublin and Queen's University Belfast, Secretary and President regarding each proposed article and suggesting alterations. Includes: Printed final constitution. Contents include the purpose, membership, officers, national council, headquarters, conference, finance, amendments and international relations committee.
- 8 items
- 81 1944 - 1982 Conferences: Letters, reports and minutes relating mainly to triennial conferences of the Federation, study weekends, and council meetings. Included are the names of those present at each meeting and topics discussed such as the constitution, study weekend themes, and post graduate fellowships. Includes: letters from Olive Purser (President) to Secretary of N.U.W.G.A. requesting the Dublin and Galway branches to elect council members to attend the conference. Subsequent letters from the Galway branch state their nominations for representative.
- c. 31 items

ii. Finance

- 82 1975 - 1977 Accounts and sub-committee: Typescript reports and statements of accounts relating to the finances of the Federation. Discussion regarding the setting up of a finance sub-committee to investigate the financial structure of both the Irish and International Federation is recorded. Includes: budget prepared by sub-committee showing costs of newsletter, registration fees of delegates to International conferences, postage, travelling, president's travel to one dinner per year and the development of new Associations.

7 items

iii. Scholarships.

- 83 Nov 1975-
 Sept 1976 Postgraduate fellowship: Correspondence, memoranda and newspaper articles relating to the founding of a post-graduate bursary to research some aspects of women in Irish life and society. This is to commemorate International Women's year

in Ireland. Newspaper cuttings from The Irish Times and Irish Independent outline the effects this would have for women.

Includes: memorandum by M. MacCurtain in which she states the objects and prospects of such a fellowship.

Includes: correspondence with Michael O'Leary T.D. Minister for Labour, and the Bank of Ireland, in which the Irish Women's Graduate Association request contributions for the founding of the fellowshi

10 items

iv. Publications.

3 printed annual reports: Contents include names of office holders and council members, secretary's report, treasurer's statement of accounts, report of committee of International relations, account of conference of Irish Federation.

Includes: typescript report written to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the Federation relating to its foundation and aims and the activities in which it is involved.

84	1933	15pp
85	1935	15pp
86	1975	2pp

Printed and typescript annual newsletters: Contents include detailed coverage of the matters discussed at study weekends, circulars for branches, notices of regional and local meetings, conferences, reports of associations and various committees.

87	Feb 1966	10pp
88	Feb 1967	11pp
89	Feb 1968	11pp
90	1971	11pp
91	1974	15pp
92	1975	15pp
93	1976	Includes: reports covering all events carried out by the Associations within the Federation during Golden Jubilee Year. 35pp
94	1977	8pp
95	1978	12pp
96	1979	15pp

97	1980	14pp
98	1981	16pp
99	1982	16pp

VII. International Federation of University Women 1932-1982

i. Foundation and development.

100	Dec 1932	Printed leaflet: Contents include names of office holders, national associations, aims of the Federation, history and organisation, privileges of membership and how to become a member. 'its objects in the promotion of friendship and understanding among university women of different nationalities, the furtherance of their common interests and the development of sympathy and co-operation between their countries'.	2pp
101	1957	Publication <u>History of the British Federation of University Women 1902-1957</u> . Written by J.H. Sondheimer. Content includes foreward by J.M. Bowie (Pres), author's note showing sources of study, the foundation, aims, progress, and achievement of the Federation, International Federation, the encouragement of learning, Crosby Hall Scholarships and a list of local Associations. Includes: the attempts and successes to have women employed in industry and commerce, the aims of the International fellowship and scholarship. Includes: illustrations such as presidents of the Federation, Crosby Place and Crosby Hall.	52pp
102	1968	Publication: <u>A Lamp of Friendship 1918-68</u> by E.C. Bathos relating to the aims, purpose and work of the International Federation of University Women from its origin. Content includes the birth and growth, years of anxiety, recovery and expansion and looking forward. Appendices relate to national Associations affiliated to I.F.U.W., officers, lists of conferences and council meetings and representatives accredited to the United Nations and specialised agencies. Subject index.	48pp

ii. International Fellowships.

- 103 1939 - 1943 Scholarships: advertisements, letters, regulations and application forms relating to fellowships offered by the British F.U.W. at Crosby Hall, the Swiss and the American Associations. Includes: typescript letters relating to the closure of Crosby Hall due to the war and resulting temporary withdrawal of British Federation Scholarships. Includes: letters regarding the application for the American Aurelia Henry Reinhardt International Fellowship by Eithne Donnelly a graduate and member of N.U.W.G.A.

19 items

iii. Meetings.

- 104 Apr 1943 Printed proceedings of the Second Joint Conference of the Canadian-American Women's Committee on International Relations held in Montreal, Canada. Contents include introduction covering the importance of Canadian-American relations, members and history of the Joint Committee, list of regulations, programme and proceedings of conference such as women in industry, social security, status of women, meeting of the Joint Committee and annual meeting of the Canadian Committee.

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- 105 1947 - 1948 Printed report of the ninth conference held in Toronto, Canada. Contents include list of members present, opening of the conference, topics discussed such as the advancement of understanding, international law, national associations. Reports and discussions relating to meetings of the delegates, balance sheet and accounts and addresses of national associations are also included. Includes: printed leaflet written in French relating to a proposed two week holiday camp in Belgium for 20-25 members of the Federation

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- 106 Apr 1957 Newspaper article entitled 'Women of much importance' relating to the council meeting held in Dublin of the world F.U.W. Item gives details on various delegates who attend. '75 women from 28 countries met in Dublin this week to discuss the administrative and financial affairs of the World Federation of University Women'.

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- 107 Aug 1957 Newspaper cutting from the Irish Independent showing photograph and article of the delegate to the International F.U.W. which held its council meeting in Trinity Hall, Dublin. Delegates represent 45 countries such as Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bolivia, Ceylon, France, Germany, U.S.A.
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iv. Publications.

Series of editions of the Federation News Bulletin and Newsletter. The first two editions are typescript circulars, the remainder are printed. Contents include news from various Associate countries, such as Poland, Finland, India, Pakistan. There also includes details of relief and fellowship funds, obituaries, and the work of the Federation. Illustrations and articles are inserted relating to various meetings and conferences held in different countries. The majority of newsletters (1966-72) are written both in English and in French.

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