FINANCE: The Convention will stand or fall according to the financial help of every one of the thousands who support it... over the next few weeks. Thousands of pounds are needed. Commitments have been made. It is up to YOU, by giving and gaining donations, taking collections on "payday," or at meetings, socials and informal discussions. Official collection lists are available.

SELL THE EMBLEM: It's attractive, youthful. It sells for 2/- It is VITAL for the Convention's success that every emblem is sold and the money returned QUICKLY. Arrange a selling drive in your workplace or area. Others have proved that selling is easy.

HOSPITALITY: If you live in Sydney and could accommodate a visiting delegate during the Convention, please advise the Convention Office immediately. Perhaps you can show the special hospitality usually to friends and neighbours, and gain their help in solving this big problem.

DISCUSS: The Convention is for the Australian people. Its discussions must include your ideas and those of your associations. Whatever else you do for the Convention, start discussions in your church meetings, trade unions, your sports clubs, drama groups, business or factory. How do peace and war affect your group?

DELEGATES: Now is the time to begin selecting your delegates (see inside front cover). Be sure to it that they have fully discussed the ideas of the group which sends them.

Call or Write: Your ideas, requests and criticisms are wanted.

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Preparation for the Convention is under the direction of an Executive Committee in Sydney, elected by the New South Wales committee of convenors and acting in consultation with the leaders of Convention Committees which now exist in all mainland States.

Members of the Executive Committee are:

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The very representative list of convenors and supporters in the various States has now become too large to reproduce here. Here are some of the names:


Professional: Professor W. Hamilton Bell, Dr. F. N. Leggo, Dr. H. Owen Chappell, Prof. Manning Clark, Dr. L. Hewitt, Prof. A. D. Hope, Assoc. Prof. A. W. Leiper, Prof. W. E. Lewis, Dr. R. J. Long, Assoc. Prof. K. Macarthur, Prof. I. Maxwell, Prof. W. Murdoch, O.B.E., Prof. G. V. Portus, M.B.E., F. D. Rice, Miss Ethel Rivett, Dr. R. Roberts, Prof. W. Rogers, Miss Mary Roper, Mr. A. H. Wood, O.B.E., Dr. C. Sandby, Dr. G. Seale, Miss W. Sibbald, Miss Lucy Woodcock.

Unions: The Executive of the N.S.W. Teachers' Federation, the Commonwealth Council of the Amalgamated Engineering Union, the Newcastle Trades Hall Council, A. McNairy and P. Hill (Shear Metal Union), Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union, Hodemaker's Society.

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PROGRAMME AND PARTICIPATION

Australian Convention on Peace and War (Sydney, September 26-30, 1953)
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SATURDAY, Sept. 26
10 a.m.: Opening Session — presiding committee, presiding speakers, commission organisation. (Sydney Town Hall.)
2 p.m.: Three major Commissions begun in their respective halls. Sub-commissions formed.
5.30 - 7 p.m.: Delegates’ reception, Trocadero.

SUNDAY, Sept. 27
Morning: Church Services, according to choice.
2 p.m.: Sub-commission discussion. Halls arranged.
Night: Social activities arranged by special groups; after-church discussions.

MONDAY, Sept. 28
10 a.m.: Sub-commissions complete work.
2 p.m.: Special section commissions meet. Halls arranged.
7.30 p.m.: Special section commissions complete work.

TUESDAY, Sept. 29
10 a.m.: Three major Commissions conclude their work.
2 p.m.: Full Convention Session—Commission reports. Discussion. (Sydney Town Hall)
5 p.m.: Session ends.
Night: Delegates Social.

WED., Sept. 30
10 a.m.: Full Convention Session (Sydney Town Hall).
2 p.m.: Final Convention Session. (Sydney Town Hall).
8 p.m.: Final Public Rally (Leichhardt Stadium).

COMMISSIONS

The Convention will be faced with three general problems, which open up aspects of the issues of peace and war. Participants will be invited, at the opening session, to divide into three general Commissions—one to each problem. When the Commissions meet in the second Session, they will enquire whatever Sub-commissions are needed to deal with specific subjects in their field.

The three general problems (with proposed Sub-commissions) are:

(a) What is Australia’s responsibility to help preserve World Peace?
   (i) Are peaceful solutions possible in present war and war-danger areas? (Could include an examination of Australia’s foreign policies and the work of the United Nations).
   (ii) Can the people themselves be effective in influencing foreign policy? (Individual and community responsibility; obstacles facing efforts for peace.)
   (iii) Is rearmament the way to peace?

(b) How can Australia’s relations with other Nations be improved?
   (i) Means of building understanding between nations, (Cultural interchange, tourist traffic, trade, sports meetings, etc.)
   (ii) Do we in fact recognise the right of all nations to their own way of life?
   (iii) Are our relations with our Asian neighbours satisfactory?

(c) How can the best achievements and the promise of Australian life be preserved and extended?
   (i) How can we best secure the future of the Australian nation? (National security; spiritual, material and moral values.)
   (ii) Do war preparations affect Australian standards to-day? (Public health, housing, wages, costs, taxation, business security, sporting facilities, affect an spiritual, moral and intellectual life.)
   (iii) Constructive development in Australia—what is needed? (The future of science, culture, major development work in town and country, the welfare of young people, etc.)

The proposals for Sub-commissions are still subject to change by the National Executive in consultation with State representatives.

Special Commissions. Two Sessions are for Commissions based on special sections—women, youth, church people, trade unions, science, education, culture, business, and others as desired. Full Sessions of the Convention will discuss the findings of Commissions.

Competent convenors will be nominated for the Commissions to help guide discussion, based on the search for agreement.