

SEPT 28th 1972

MR OWEN C. ROBERTS. PRESIDENT
W.N.G.G.A.
[REDACTED]th AVE
LACHINE, QUEBEC, CANADA.

Dear Owen.

Thank you very much for your card and letter, also your report of the Gymanfa.

Dave Edwards came to see me on the 22nd bringing all the data- programs, brochures and the registration list. I was very much surprised at the attendance, after hearing different reports as to how many were there, the actual card count that I have is- 955, with 369 from the State of Illinois and 203 from the State of Wisconsin, with the rest scattered from the other 26 States, 28 States in all as against 38- in S.L.C.

You mention the fact that the meetings are too long- I agree, of course at the Chicago meetings you had extra guests that spoke, no doubt Mr Evans from Wales spoke, also people from N.Y. and Philadelphia.

The one item that takes time is the memorial service, of which I have always maintained should be moved to the Sunday morning Church Service. The credentials report could be moved up to the #3 spot thereby having the election of Trustees in the #4 spot, at this point I would announce that no one leaves the room until the election and all balloting is completed, because as you know people start to leave about 11:00 A.M. thereby disturbing the meeting, I'm sure you have some ideas, please check the enclosed agenda and see what you can do with.

I think ^{a mistake} was made by letting Ann Thomas have her own way concerning the Hymnals- where has she been for the last four or five years, yes you CAN say the last ten years, but for your information MR President, that is the way she works, she is all fuss at the moment but nothing happens between Nationals. Does the music ever stop to think about the cost of any changes that would be made and how long it would take,

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Mr President your secretary feel's that he should not be held responsible for any delay's in the printing of a new run that would cause a shortage of hymnals for the next National. As of this writing we have only about one years supply based on average sales per year which is about 2000,

If I understand correctly she is to give a report by the 1st of Jan, then I would presume from that - that the executive committee has the authority to print a new run, am I right on that?

Do you have any meeting plans with O.G.G.A. I shall be be glad to attend any that you might want on any week end that would be suitable to you. As for myself I am feeling much better as you will note by the reports I am mailing, all the Trustee's will have recieved the new list of officers and Trustee's also Mrs Trefor L. Roberts and Mr George Bundy.

Owen, Catherine and I send our very best to a grand Lady your Mother for her return to good health, accepting the same good wishes for yourself. Has George Bundy would say;

yours for the enhancement of Welsh hymnolgy

Jack Meadows, Secretary.
W.N.G.G.A.

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 (Come, Sing to the Lord)



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Sunday, October 8, 1972.

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TO: Mr. Jack Meadows, Secretary,
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Dear Jack:

Many thanks for your letter of September 28th, and also for the stationery, its surprising at how fast I have been using it up in a one month period, much of it has been used in replying to letters of good wishes, I was surprised at how many letters I have received.

Too bad the registration was so low in Chicago, however, I feel sure that in Toronto, the sponsering Committee will be very strict in this matter, it might be just as well to mention this in as tactful a manner as possible when you are in correspondence with them. I agree that the memorial service would be more appropriate during the Sunday morning service, and also your suggestions about the credentials report and the early elections of trustees. I was wondering about starting the meeting sharp at 9 A.M. and after the call to order proceed with the reading of the minutes, which is a time consuming project, if people are late in coming, and miss some of the reading of these minutes, that might shorten a lot of needless discussion, I think that this meeting should end at either 11.30 and

and not any latter than 12 noon, as I felt that people are getting very weary and restless if these meetings take too long.

As I mentioned to you in my letter of September 16 concerning the appointment of Ann Davies Thomas, I said that I feel sure that we will have to make some sort of a compromise , you are right in the fact that she was given a dead line to make a report by January 1st next year, if there is a delay, no suitable report coming in, I do not think that anybody can criticise the printing of a new run, when at present you have only one year's supply on hand. We will have to wait until next January, and make a decision afterwards. I do not have any plans about a meeting with the O.G.G.A. as I have not heard from them, the proposed hotel will not be open until next month, so very liklely will not hear from them until afterwards. Concerning your letter of September 30th, re the Philadelphia Hotel for 1976, if you think that an inspection should be made soon, I would be agreeable when your health would permit you to make the trip, and if it is necessary for me to be present, I would be available. I remember Mr. Taluskie at Pittsburgh, he was a very agreeable person, and if he would be in Philadelphia in the year 1976, the sponsering committee would be very fortunate. Thanks for the stationery, and I like your new card. Best wishes for a continued recovery, from


Owen C. Roberts , President.