

Monday 18 July 1966 - 6.30 pm

After the reading of prayers and other business had been attended to, the Right Rev the President announced that he would leave the Synod Hall and remain in the Diocesan Church House during the entire discussion of all names on the Nominations List.

The President thereupon left the Synod Hall and did not return for the remainder of the day's proceedings.

The Commissary, the Right Rev F. O. Hulme-Moir, Assistant Bishop, took the Chair as Acting President of the Synod.

Having been given leave the Right Rev F. O. Hulme-Moir made a personal statement (in reference to his name being on the List of Nominations) as follows -

"I ask leave of Synod to have my name withdrawn from the Nominations List as I had stated prior to the meeting of Synod that I did not wish to be nominated."

It would have been a presumption to have stated this publicly as no official body has approached me.

I understood that I had been clear in my reply to the present proposer; I appreciate the goodwill and sincerity of both the proposer and seconder but trust that, because my integrity will be questioned, that Synod will grant this, and that it be recorded in the Minutes of the Proceedings of this Synod."

After discussion it was resolved that the name be not removed at this stage - (but see later).

Synod proceeded to consider in alphabetical order the names on the Nominations List. The names of the persons listed were separately proposed, seconded, supported (and/or opposed) and generally discussed.

The Acting President then put the question -

"Shall the Rev Canon H. M. Arrowsmith be placed upon the Select List?"

Proposed by Rev G. W. Christopher, seconded by Mr M. J. Garrett.

After discussion, the vote was taken.

(Both here and with subsequent nominations, the questions were resolved by a show of hands. It was necessary to secure only a majority in either House of Synod voting separately to be placed on the Select List).

Rev Canon H. M. Arrowsmith did not receive a majority of votes in the House of Clergy but received a majority of votes in the House of Laity, and his name was placed upon the Select List.

The Acting President then put the question -

"Shall the Rev. Dr. S. Barton Babbage be placed upon the Select List?"

Proposed by Rev C. M. Gilhespy, seconded by Mr O. S. Dixon.

After discussion, the vote was taken.

The Rev Dr. S. Barton Babbage received a majority of votes in both Houses and his name was placed upon the Select List.

The Acting President then put the question -

"Shall the Right Rev R. E. Davies be placed upon the Select List?"

Proposed by Mr F. H. Johnstone, seconded by Mr A. K. Lawton.

After discussion, the vote was taken.

The Right Rev R. E. Davies did not receive a majority in either House so his name was not placed upon the Select List.

At the request of the Right Rev F. O. Hulme-Moir, leave having been granted by the Synod, the mover and seconder withdrew his nomination.

The Acting President then put the question -

"Shall the Right Rev M. L. Loane be placed upon the Select List?"

Proposed by Mr Justice A. R. Richardson, seconded by Mr K. R. Utz.

After discussion, the vote was taken.

The Right Rev M. L. Loane received a majority of votes in both Houses and his name was placed upon the Select List.

The Acting President then put the question -

"Shall the Rev. Canon L. L. Morris be placed upon the Select List?"

Proposed by Rev D. G. Livingstone, seconded by Rev A. W. Setchell.

After discussion, the vote was taken.

The Rev Canon L. L. Morris received a majority of votes in both Houses and his name was placed upon the Select List.

The Acting President then put the question -

"Shall the Right Rev T. T. Reed be placed upon the Select List?"

Proposed by Rev A. P. B. Bennie, seconded by Rev. L. T. Lambert.

After discussion, the vote was taken.

The Right Rev T. T. Reed did not receive a majority of votes in either House so his name was not placed upon the Select List.

Synod adjourned at 11.30 pm until 6.30 pm on Tuesday 19 July 1966.