

Final List

The Right Reverend Hugh Rowlands **Gough**, O.B.E., M.A., Bishop Suffragan of Barking.

Nominated by (1) Very Rev E. A. Pitt, (2) Rev C. H. Sherlock; seconded by Dr the Rev H. W. Guinness, Rev G. H. Feltham.

The Right Reverend William George **Hilliard**, M.A., Th.D., Bishop Administrator of the Diocese of Sydney.

Nominated by (1) Ven T. C. Hammond, (2) Rev Canon H. M. Arrowsmith; seconded by Rev Canon E. F. N. Cash, Rev R. S. Walker.

The Right Reverend Ronald Clive **Kerle**, B.A., Th.L., Assistant Bishop, Diocese of Sydney.

Nominated by (1) Rev J. R. L. Johnstone, (2) Dr R. R. Winton, (3) Rev C. H. Sherlock, (4) Rev R. Wotton; seconded by Mr H. M. Bragg, Rev A. C. H. Yuill, Rev A. T. Pattison, Mr F. A. Carruthers.

The Right Reverend Marcus Lawrence **Loane**, M.A., Th.D., D.D., Assistant Bishop, Diocese of Sydney and Principal of Moore Theological College.

Nominated by (1) Rev Canon A. W. Morton, (2) Rev J. R. Noble, (3) Rev B. H. Williams, (4) Mr M. H. McKay; seconded by Mr A. L. Short, Rev A. H. Funnel], Rev W. K. Deasey, Rev W. A. Watts.

The President stated that he would announce the numbers recorded after each vote was taken.

The President then put the question -

"Shall the Rt Rev H. R. Gough be elected to fill the vacancy in the See of Sydney?"

Proposed by the Very Rev E. A. Pitt, seconded by Dr the Rev H. W. Guinness.

Other speakers were Ven G. R. Delbridge, Rev J. R. L. Johnstone, Mr A. F. P. James, Mr W. S. Gee, Rev B. W. J. Gook, Rev R. S. R. Meyer and Rev A. W. Prescott.

The required number of members having made request, and after Synod had engaged in silent prayer, the vote was taken by ballot, and the Rt Rev H. R. Gough received a majority of votes of both Clergy and Laymen.

It was resolved that from this point onwards all speeches be limited to five minutes with no extension to be granted, but that the President should ring a bell after four minutes and then again after the five minutes, when the speeches must immediately conclude.

The Rt Rev the Administrator left the Chair and the Rt Rev the Commissary took the Chair at this point.

The Commissary then put the question -

"Shall the Rt Rev W. G. Hilliard be elected to fill the vacancy in the See of Sydney?"

Proposed by Ven T. C. Hammond, seconded by Rev Canon E. F. N. Cash.

Other speakers were Dr R. R. Winton, Dr A. Brazen, Rev C. H. Sherlock, Rev Canon H. M. Arrowsmith and Mr F. H. Johnstone.

The required number of members having made request, and after Synod had engaged in silent prayer, the vote was taken by ballot and the Rt Rev W. G. Hilliard did not receive a majority of votes in either House.

The Rt Rev the President resumed the Chair.

The Rt Revs R. C. Kerle and M. L. Loane left the Synod Hall.

The President then put the question -

"Shall the Rt Rev R. C. Kerle be elected to fill the vacancy in the See of Sydney?"

Proposed by Rev J. R. L. Johnstone, seconded by Mr H. M. Bragg.

Other speakers were Mr K. H. Blaxland, Rev Canon S. G. Stewart, Mr R. J. Cashman, Rev N. Chynoweth and Rev D. W. B. Robinson.

The required number of members having made request, and after Synod had engaged in silent prayer, the vote was taken by ballot and the Rt Rev R. C. Kerle did not receive a majority of votes in either House.

The President then put the question -

"Shall the Rt Rev M. L. Loane be elected to fill the vacancy in the See of Sydney?"

Proposed by Rev Canon A. W. Morton, seconded by Rev B. H. Williams.

Other speakers were Rev W. K. Deasey, Rev J. R. Noble, Rev A. D. Deane, Rev H. Bates and Rev E. G. Mortley.

The required number of members having made request, and after Synod had engaged in silent prayer, the vote was taken by ballot and the Rt Rev M. L. Loane did not receive a majority of votes in either House.

The Rt Rev the President declared that the Rt Rev Hugh Rowlands Gough, O.B.E., M.A., Bishop Suffragan of Barking, had been elected to fill the vacancy in the See of Sydney.

It was resolved -

"That, after the Acting Metropolitan has reported to the Administrator the necessary confirmation of the Bishops of the Province, a unanimous invitation be given by the Administrator on behalf of the Diocese to the Right Reverend Hugh Rowlands Gough to accept the See of Sydney and become our Archbishop, with our prayerful good wishes to the Bishop and his wife."

The Synod sang the Doxology.

Synod adjourned sine die at 1.15 a.m. on Saturday, 29th November, 1958.