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Hyde, Iris Mckenzie

Occupation Political candidate

Summary

Iris Hyde was a prominent Liberal Party figure, and a once only candidate for parliament. She was a candidate in the 1956 New South Wales Legislative Assembly elections for Newcastle.

Details

Iris Hyde was elected to the Executive of the Liberal party in 1948. Later that year she was present at the inaugural meeting of the Women's Group of the Liberal Party. In 1950 she was re-elected as a country representative on the Liberal Party State Council. She spoke often at Liberal State Conventions, and was particularly concerned with questions of particular relevance to women. She was also a regular writer of letters to the Editor of the Sydney Morning Herald, on subjects ranging from defence to beached whales.

She was awarded an MBE 1968 for services to the community and raised to CBE 1969 for services to the community and politics.
Iris Hyde was President of the Liberal Party's Federal Women's Committee in 1963-4.

Published resources

Resource
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