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Littlejohn, Emma Linda Palmer

(1883 - 1949)

Born	18831211, Double Bay New South Wales Australia
Died	19490321, Paddington New South Wales Australia
Occupation	Feminist, Journalist, Radio Broadcaster, Radio Journalist, Women's rights activist

Summary

Linda Littlejohn was an ardent feminist who developed an international profile. A daughter of privilege, she began moving in philanthropic circles early, as a member of the Ascham School Old Girls' Union. A well respected figure in the New South Wales women's movement, in 1926 she became an executive-member of the National Council of Women of New South Wales and the Feminist Club. Two years later she launched the League of Women Voters to support female candidates for public office and to press for feminist reforms.

Littlejohn broadcast for the British Broadcasting Corporation and for 2UW and 2UE in Sydney. She reported for the *Australian Women's Weekly* on the campaigns of the United Associations and the Australian Federation of Women Voters. She belonged to the New South Wales Institute of Journalists (1933-41) and the Business and Professional Women's club of Sydney. In her novel *Life and Lucille* (1933) she dramatized the need for women in parliament, divorce reform and the introduction of adequate training to enable women to be economically independent of their fathers and husbands.

Events

1910 - 1920
Career in journalism active

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