

A PAGE FOR Y's.

SUGGESTIONS FOR WORK AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE.

(Mrs J. McCombs at Convention.)

That where there is any difficulty in maintaining the interest and attendance at "Y." Meetings, young People's Societies should be formed. That a campaign should be planned in connection with the 54,000 voters who come of age every three years. That a regular distribution of suitable literature be made in workrooms, shops, offices, and amongst domestic workers.

That efforts be made to interest young persons in these occupations by means of social gatherings, picnics and lectures, and that endeavours should be made to arrange for bright addresses to be given in the lunch-rooms of workrooms and factories.

That to facilitate this work, Young People's Societies should enlist the sympathy and co-operation of Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations, Girls' Friendly Societies, Church Guilds, and Endeavour Societies. That a special effort be made to enlist the sympathy of women teachers by inviting their co-operation.

Under the heading of work for Young People's Societies, the following suggestions are made:—

To work up regular Band of Hope Programmes.

To undertake charitable work in connection with children. Hospital work such as the distribution of books, flowers, and comforts, or arranging of concerts.

To assist in booths.

To open a reading circle, Physical Culture Classes, Mock Parliaments.

A mock election is suggested for working up attendance, the canvassing necessary to the success of the election being an excellent means to that end.

It was further suggested that a handbook should be prepared, containing information concerning the Electoral laws, Labour laws, and Licensing laws, and an account of the work of the Union should be prepared for distribution on ships from overseas at their first port of call.

Finally it was suggested that the Executive should take into considera-

tion the advisability of appointing a suitable person as organiser amongst young people.

SUPERINTENDENT'S LETTERS.

LITERATURE.

Dear Sisters,—I would draw your attention to the "Literature" column in this issue, where all prices are quoted post free, and would ask you, when ordering to kindly enclose amount for same when possible, as this means the saving of postage and time. Some who ordered will have received their K.K. pledges, which we trust will be found widely sought after and largely distributed, as many thousands are ordered, and will, it is hoped, be found from north to south of these Islands. One Union is evidently very energetically bent on being first to obtain the "Win One" membership, having ordered a large number of membership cards, and is in a fair way to win "The Banner" next year. So Unions look to your laurels.

As regards the Purity books and leaflets, I have a large assortment. Mr R. H. W. Blyth, whom many of you know, was pleased at the commencement of the year, when looking over my stock, to say that I had the largest and most varied of any bookseller in the Dominion. So I think you need not fear sending your orders along. Also on hand, "Jaya," by Miss Harband, the review of which you will find in February number of "White Ribbon"—a nice present. Anything you may wish, if not in stock, I will be pleased to obtain. Repeat orders for next 12 months "Purity Advocate" solicited, also new subscribers, 6d per annum; "American Motherhood" also.—Yours for service,

E. G. DEARLOVE.

Ngaere,

10th May, 1915.

Dear Sisters,

I would again impress upon you the importance of Mothers' Meetings, and urge every Branch to hold, at least, one or two of these during the present year. Different methods of working this department will commend themselves to different superintendents, but I would remind all that Doctors and Plunket nurses are usually found most

willing to co-operate in any forward movement to give addresses on "Purity," "Child-culture," or other suitable subjects. Where the valuable services of a Doctor or nurse are not procurable, papers on educative and modern lines might be read. The following leaflets, which have lately come under my notice, will be found helpful in "M's. Ms." Dept., and are to be purchased from Mrs Neal, Pahiatua (who will send a sample packet on application), "The Cradle Army," "Dont's for Parents," "The Tactful Mother," "Purity in Schools," "My Little Living Interrogation Point," "What to Teach Children and How," and "High Ideals for Schools." Books like "What a Young Girl Ought to Know" (price 4s 6d), which are too expensive for free distribution, might be purchased by Unions, and lent to mothers.

Hoping you will report at the end of the year all "M.M." work done, whether as a distinct and separate dept., or in conjunction with any kindred Department.

Yours in the work,

A. C. JONES,

Dominion Supt. for Mothers' Meetings.

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