THE WHITE RIBBON.

"WHITE RIBBON" REPORTERS.

Dear "White Ribbon" Reporters,-We wish to thank you most cordially for all your help during this year, and to make an appeal for next year. We want every Union to report, but to report briefly. It is better every Union a short report than a few Unions a long report. By direction of the N.Z. officers, all reports must go in a certain space, therefore long reports must be cut down. There have been months this year when, if reports had been printed as sent in, then reports and advertisements would have taken up all the space in the paper. Please report, but report briefly. Remember there are 100 other Unions also to report.

A BONE-DRY ARMY.

General John F. O'Ryan, commander of the National Guard of New York, who fearlessly blazed the "bonedry" trail for soldiers, by last year putting his 20,000 New York troops on the Rio Grande "on the water wagon," wiping out drunkenness, prostitution, venereal disease, and lawlessness from his division, has just been commissioned by President Wilson and the Senate as Major-General of the United States Army. He is to take a "bone-dry" division of 37,000 men to France. In concluding an address to his troops, he says: "How can a division of troops be ever ready-ever up on the bit to drive ahead or thrust back the enemy's drive-if through the presence of this insidious evil (strong drink) some soldiers forget their orders or become noisy when silence is essential, fall asleep when every faculty should be alert, or are absent from their posts."

PROTECT THE BOYS.

The Acting-Governor of the State of Missouri issued a proclamation that all saloons and bars were to remain closed during the three days that the boys composing Missouri's quota were entraining and taking their departure.

CIVE US A CALL.

- (Translated from the Norwegian by J. E. Stenberg.)
- Come, "give us a call," working men and brave boys,
- Here's liquor, and frolic, and chatter, and noise;
- We'll welcome the old, and the young fellows too,
- And promise right speedily these we will do:
- We'll empty your purses, and paint your nose red,
- Give poverty, sickness, and sorrow instead;
- So if you have money, come one, and come all,
- We're eager to greet you, so-"Give us a call !"
- Come, "give us a call," our whisky and gin
- Will fit you for folly, for riot, and sin; Let preachers and teachers cry out as
- they may, The years of their building we'll
- wreck in a day. The beer that we deal in brings profit
- and gain, You may drink quite a lot before feeling the pain;
- Your body may sink to an untimely grave,
- Your soul may be lost, Christ came down to save;
- But, still we invite you, come one and come all,
- If you've money to spend, just "Give us a call !"
- Come, "give us a call," we've plenty of room,
- Don't stop to consider your probable doom;
- When pay day comes round we expect a rich crop,
- Fools part with their money to buy the last drop.
- The home and the children may cry out for bread,
- And war may be laying our soldier boys dead,
- But country and king they may go to the wall
- If only you'll listen, and "Give us a call !"
- Come, "give us a call," your ambition let go.
- Give up your ideals, your honour lay low;
- What matter if tears from your mother be wrung,
- Or you grow an old man while yet you are young?
- If honest, we'll promise to make you a thief,
- For all sorts of evil law gives us a brief:
- We'll cajole you, sodden you, sicken, enthrall,
- If only you'll heed us. and "Give us a call !"

Come, "give us a call," our drinks have a grip;

- The man we once get rarely gives us the slip;
- God promised you Heaven on earth and above,
- He offers you peace, contentment, and love ;
- He has dowers of health, of strength, and of joy, For the man who'll accept, for the
- straight-living boy;
- But our trade it is licensed to block every line,
- And send to perdition in double quick time.
- So if you are willing to stagger and fall.
- Don't heed those who love you, but-"Give us a call !"

Ashburton, 1st Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., in Baris Square Schoolroom: Pres., Mrs W. K. Watson, Bex 57; Sec., Miss Trevurza, 169 Peter Street: Asst. Sec., Miss A. C. Watson, 84, Cameron St.; Tress., Mrs W. T. Lill, Willowby: Asst. Treas., Mrs J. H. Dent, Wills St.; "W.R." Supt., Miss Butterley, Watsoni Wakanui.

Auckland District, 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 9.30 p.m. Central Mission Hall, Albert St.; Pres., Mrs Cook, Point St., Mt. Eden; Cor. Sec., Miss N. Dewar, Pompalier Terr., Ponsonby; Rec. Sec., Mrs J. W. Taylor Sentinel Rd., Ponsony: Treas., Mrs McLean, Princepts St. Grey Lynn; Org. Treas, Miss Dewar, 4 Pompalier Ter., Ponsonby; "W.R." Ageat Mrs Nelson, Esplanade Road. Mt. Eden.

Blenheim District, 1st Tuesday. 8 p.m. : Mrs A. Jackson; Sec., Mrs D. P. Sinclair, Box 27; Treas., Mrs Hay, Stephenson St.: Mothers' Meeting and Cradle Roll, Mesdames Brewer and Hancock; W.R." Agent, Mrs W. Parker, Grove Rd.

Cambridge, first Tuesdav in month. in Victoria Hall, at 3 p.m.; Pres. Mrs E. James; Sec., Mrs A. Wallace, Weld Street; Treas. Mrs C. E. Rycroft: Cradle Roll, Mrs Reeves; W.R. Agent, Mrs A. T. Watson.

Christchurch District. Rooms. Manchester St., opp. His Majesty's Theatre. Second and fourth Wed-neaday; Pres., Mrs I. McCombs, 26. Tui Street, Fendalton; Cor. Sec., Mrs R. Dav. Milford St., St. Albans; Rec. Sec., Mrs R. D. Martin, 572. Gloucester Street; Treas., Mrs Patterson, Latimer Square; "W.R." Supt., Mrs Williams, 21. Philip St., Linwood.

Dannevirke, 2nd Wednesday, Weslevan Schoolroom, 8 p.m.; Pres., Mrs W. F. Knight, Tahoraiti; Sec., Mrs Wiseman, High St.; Treas., Miss Burdett, The Manse.

Dunedin District, 1st Tuesday. No-license Rooms, Morsy Place, 3 p.m.; Pres., Mrs Hiett. 72. Heriot Row: Cor. Soc, and Press Cor., Mrs Macartney, 156, Eglinton Road. Mornington; Rec. Sec., Miss Roseveare. Castle Street; Supt. WHITE RIBBON. Mrs Anderson, 32, Duke St ; Treas., Miss Reid, Bishopscourt, Roslyn.

Devenport, Second Thursday, Wesleyan Schoel-room, 3.30 p.m.; Pres., Mrs Cranch. Cameron St.; Vice-Pres., Merdames Budd. Elliot and Shep-pard; Sec., Mrs A. Little, 81 Church St : Treas., and Supt .W.R., Miss Le Roy. Waterview Rd., Stanley Bay; Supt. Cradle Roll, Miss Lilliwall.

Fitzroy, last Friday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Church; Pres., Mrs A. Hayward, 834. Devon Street, Fitzroy; Sec. Mrs L. Gray, 638. Devon Street East New Ply-mouth; Treas., Miss Tolme, Chilman St., Fitzroy; W.R. Agent, Mrs J. Kibby, Clemow St., Fitzroy.

Poilding, 1st Thursday, 8 p.m., St Paul's Hall; Pres., Miss Moore. c/o Mr. W. H. Bain, Fellding; Rec. Sec., Miss Jordan, c/o Mr H. Feild; Cor. Sec., Mrs C. J. Thompson, Denbigh Street; Treas., rs Williamson, The Hill; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Burnley; Railway Box, Mrs Shearer,