

Y's Reports.

AUCKLAND.

On account of important temperance meeting, held on Monday, July 20th, in the Town Hall, at which the Rev. R. S. Gray, and Mr Isitt, M.P., were the speakers, we decided to hold initiatory service, and then proceed to public meeting in a body. During the month we have gained four new members. Decided to hold another social in the Piccadilly Tea Rooms on August 24th to gain new members, and to take up a collection for the mine-sweepers

ARAMOHO.

June 11. President presided over a fair attendance. A protest was forwarded to Sir James Allen re a statement made in Wanganui "Herald" to the effect that a transport leaving England left behind certain mail matter and brought whisky as cargo. Members decided to have a Novelty Jumble Stall at forthcoming W.C.T.U. Sale of Work in September. Final arrangements were made for the welcome social to "Y" Organiser (Mrs Napier). Collection in aid of mine-sweepers. Workers came forward to assist in canvassing for signatures for petition to Parliament. Interesting letters were read re mine-sweepers' appeal.

July 16. Social evening. Attendance 56. A musical programme and a Temperance play: "The Sick Baby," by members of the L.T.L. were much enjoyed. Mrs Napier gave an address to the young people, which was much appreciated. Collection for mine-sweepers. Votes of thanks to speaker and performers. Three new members.

AVONDALE.

June 12. Social evening. Mr G. Chapman presided. Miss Stevens gave an address on the aim and objects of our Union. 16 recruits and two honorary members. Musical items, refreshments and competitions.

June 19. Miss Stevens presiding. Decided to have a concert in aid of our Hutment Fund. Interesting address by Mr Charteris.

July 17. Fair attendance. Three new members. A paper on "Should Pledged Abstainers use Alcohol as a Medicine" was read by Miss Wright.

INVERCARGILL.

July 8. A Branch was formed by Miss Weymouth. An initiatory service was held. The election of officers was as follows:—President, Miss Allan; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Irwin; Recording Secretary, Miss Kerse; Treasurer, Miss Featherstone; Asst. Treasurer, Miss Ruby Dewe; Pianiste, Miss Ramsay; Vice-Presidents, Miss Dewe, Miss Seed, Miss Williams, and Miss Shepherd; "White Ribbon" Superintendent, Miss Alcock. Decided to meet the first Monday in every month. Membership 50.

July 22. Miss Allan presiding. Decided that we advertise in the "Southern Cross" and "Times." A letter was read by the Secretary from Mr Peryman, who wrote in the absence of Mrs Peryman, re the W.R., also congratulating this Branch on its formation. The roll was then called, nine new members joining. Mrs Baird addressed the meeting, and was listened to with deep interest, and heartily thanked. Miss Weymouth spoke for a few minutes as this was her farewell meeting.

NORMANBY.

July 18. A visit from Mrs Napier, Y Organiser. There was a good attendance, and a Branch was formed, and elected the following officers:—Superintendent, Mrs D. Scott; President, Miss I. E. Gane; Secretary, Miss F. Jackson; Treasurer, Miss E. Anstis. Ten members joined after a very interesting address on the aims and work of the "Y's." Supper was handed round by Mrs Scott, who was Convener of the meeting, and it promises to be fruitful with good hopes of more members.

ASHBURTON.

July 15. "Pay Up" social. The Secretary reported that since last meeting we had sustained a loss through the death of Mrs A. Pollock, one of our Vice-Presidents. A motion of sympathy was passed to members of the family. We had a good attendance of members. Four new members initiated. A very pleasant time spent in games, interspersed with musical items, and competitions being indulged in. Supper was provided by the members, after which the singing of the National Anthem brought a very enjoyable evening to a close.

ARAMOHO.

June 12. The President presided. A fair attendance. Mrs Hague Smith (President of Wanganui W.C.T.U.) gave a very interesting address, which contained some very helpful suggestions re Union work, and impressed upon the members to "aim high" in their daily lives, and work for the Master. A hearty vote of thanks was then tendered to the speaker.

NELSON.

May 3. An interesting meeting. President in the chair. Delegate's report of Convention was read, and a hearty vote of thanks was passed to Miss Hayes for her splendid report. Decided to invite Mrs Napier to Nelson. Miss McConchie appointed to take account of new members for L.T.L., as two prizes have been offered to children bringing most new members. One new member initiated.

June 28. Special meeting of young people. President in the chair. Mrs Napier gave a very interesting address, and urged all present to join

our ranks. Four new members were initiated, including one young man as an associate member.

June 30. A meeting of United Bible Classes was held in the Church of Christ. Mr Dickson in the chair. Mrs Napier gave a fine address. 17 new members were enrolled.

July 1. Attendance small, on account of rough weather. Mrs Napier gave a very helpful talk on how to make our meetings a success. Decided to have competitions, trading with 3d, 6d, and 1s, prizes being offered for best articles.

L.T.L. Reports.

ARAMOHO.

June 8. The President presided. Attendance thirty. Miss E. Burnett, a member of the "Y" Branch, gave a very instructive lesson from Temperance Tales. A flower mission was organised, and Miss Myra West nominated President of the Band of Mercy.

June 22. The President presided. Good attendance. Miss Betty Titzey sang a solo, "The Child at the Door." The Leader gave us an address on the "Uncrowned Queen" (Miss Willard). Miss Myra West read some passages from the "Young Crusader" for the Band of Mercy.

July 20. The President presided. Attendance 22. The first pledge-signing took place. Officers elected: Pres., Eric Bathgate; Vice-Pres., Flora Christie and George Whitlock; Sec., Irene Smith; Librarian, Edmund White; Monitor, Jack Ireland; Assistant Pianist, Maggie Smith; Supt. for "Young Crusader," Lexie Christie. A very interesting experiment showed how, although beer is made from barley, it is a poison. We all know that the starch in barley is good for the body, but in beer this starch has been destroyed by the addition of the poison—alcohol. This proved that beer should not be taken, as it has such harmful effects upon the consumer. A recitation entitled "Nellie's Victory" was then given by Irene Smith.

Aug. 3. The President (E. Bathgate) presided over a good attendance. Devotional exercises, responses, mottoes, national salute, and pledge and company rule were gone through. Miss Myra West addressed the Band of Mercy. L.T.L. badges were then given to full members, who were eager to wear them.

The "White Ribbon" will be posted to any address on receipt of 2s 6d, payable to Mrs Peryman, Port Chalmers.