

NELSON.

Dec. 11. Annual meeting. Business session. Decided to send a parcel of gifts to the Special Home for Girls at Richmond. The usual donation was allotted to the Union funds, and £10 to the Building Fund. Election of officers: Pres., Miss Atkinson; Sec., Mrs Brown; Treas., Miss Cooke. Social Session. Rev. J. McNeil (Presbyterian) gave a most earnest and helpful address, which was listened to with great interest, the keynote being one of warning to be watchful. The Secretary, Mrs Brown, read her report, showing the good work of the Union. Mrs Noel Watson sang a solo. Afternoon tea was served. The President extended the season's greetings to all, thus closing another year of work for God, Home, and Humanity.

PAPANUI.

Dec. 20. Ministers, representing three church. Mrs W. R. Smith presided, and heartily welcomed the visitors. Rev. W. H. Orbell gave a most interesting and instructive address. Rev. D. D. Rodgers and Mrs Rodgers spoke. All were accorded a hearty vote of thanks. The Waimariri, Papanui, and Harewood School Committees wrote accepting an offer of prizes. The Social Committee dispensed afternoon tea.

WELLINGTON CENTRAL.

Dec. 19. Mrs Harry in the chair. Reports were given by Committees. Decided to donate a guinea to the Christmas tea for the sailors. Miss Helyer read a report of the address delivered at the Columbia Convention by Mrs Mary Harris Armor. Letters of sympathy to be sent to our Dominion Vice-President, Mrs Taylor, on account of the death of her daughter, also to Mrs Glasson on account of the death of her husband, Rev. J. Reed Glasson.

TEMUKA.

Dec. 14. Annual meeting. Good attendance. Nurse Cameron in chair. Annual reports were read. Treasurer reported a balance of £6 5s 7½d; the Rest Room Superintendent reported a balance of £12 13s 11d. Reports and balance-sheets were adopted. All officers were re-elected. President, Nurse Cameron; Sec., Mrs E. Blackmore; Treas., Miss E. Greaves; "White Ribbon" Agent, Mrs Wilson; Vice-Pres., Mrs Tilbrook, Mrs W. Brown, Mrs Edwards, with the addition of Mrs Fell, Mrs Abbey, Mrs Hervey. Decided to try and form a Y Branch, also an L.T.L., next year. Mrs Abbey contributed a solo. Mrs Cooper dispensed delicious afternoon tea.

RICCARTON.

Nov. 15. Annual meeting. Fair attendance. Treasurer's report was highly satisfactory; balance in hand, £15. The Secretary's report gave some idea of the work accomplished by

this young Union. Following ladies were elected:—Pres., Mrs G. W. Barrel; Sec., Mrs Newth; Assistant Sec., Mrs White; Treas., Mrs Swanston; "White Ribbon" Agent and Reporter, Mrs Virtue. Two new members were received. Miss Henderson was the speaker for the afternoon.

Dec. Meeting poorly attended. Vote of sympathy was passed to Mrs T. E. Taylor in the sad loss of her daughter. Decided to make our March meeting a special one, when all members were asked to bring a friend. The President and Secretary reported visiting the Templeton Branch, whose meeting was held at the residence of Mrs F. Musgrove. Miss Earnshaw gave an interesting account of her work as Dominion Organiser. Five new members were added to their membership list. A visit was also paid to the Upper Riccarton Branch in November, when Mrs T. E. Taylor spoke on the work of the W.C.T.U.

EPSOM.

Dec. 5. Second meeting. President in the chair. Two new members were initiated, bringing our total up to 16 members. Mrs Tucker was appointed Evangelistic Superintendent.

BRIGHTON.

Dec. 11. Annual meeting. Good attendance. Deputation appointed to visit Anglican Mothers' Union, Presbyterian Ladies' Association, and Methodist Ladies' Guild, to enlist their co-operation for more united action and increased membership. Four prizes awarded for Temperance essay, 83 competitors from Standards V. and VI. Decided to take up department of Scientific Temperance Instruction for next year. Election of officers: Pres., Mrs Hall; Sec., Mrs Moses; Treas., Mrs Campbell; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Good; "White Ribbon" Agent, Mrs Whitely; Notable Days, Mrs Bellamy; Scientific Temperance Instruction, Peace and Arbitration, and Good Citizenship, Miss B. M. Harband.

SAWYER'S BAY.

Nov. 27. Mrs Cleghorn in the chair. Fair attendance. Election of officers: Pres., Mrs Hudson; Vice-Pres., Mrs Fratley; Rec. Sec., Mrs Wallis; Cor. Sec., Mrs Gaspar; Treas., Mrs Aburn; Cradle Roll, Mrs Downes and Miss Andrews; "White Ribbon" Agent, Mrs Perry; L.T.L. and Band of Mercy, Mrs Hudson and Miss Glanville. Decided to meet on February 27th. Donated £3 to Organising Fund.

GREYMOUTH.

Nov. 27. Annual meeting. Mrs James presiding. Officers elected: Pres., Mrs B. James; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Gaskin, Carr, and Cuttle; Sec., Mrs Mason; Treas., Mrs Wilson; Evangelistic Supt., Sister Rose Batchelor; Backblocks Supt., Mrs Parkinson; "White Ribbon" Agent, Mrs Reynolds; Sick Visiting Committee, Mesdames

Orange and Dixon; Social Committee, Mesdames Stewart and Roberts; Press Reporter, Mrs Dixon. Annual reports were received from Secretary, Treasurer and Sailors' Rest Committee. Retiring President, Mrs Gaskin, congratulated upon her many years of faithful service.

OPOTIKI.

Dec. 13. Mrs Thompson presiding. The Secretary gave the annual report. The Treasurer read a very satisfactory report showing a good balance in hand. Cradle Roll and "White Ribbon" reports were also submitted. Mrs Hamby rendered a solo. All the officers were re-elected amidst applause. Mrs Thompson returned thanks and spoke of the hearty co-operation she had received, and assured them she would do her best as she had done in the past and urged all present to work with greater zeal to win the day for Christ and humanity. The President was appointed delegate for the Conference. Afternoon tea was dispensed by Miss Vastone and Mrs Hamby.

TAURANGA.

Dec. Held our annual meeting, with President in chair. Officers all re-elected. Decided that we get some more badges. Afternoon tea was dispensed and the meeting closed with the Benediction.

MOSGUEL.

Nov. 20. The President occupied the chair. Letter and telegram were read from Hon. Downie Stewart and Sir Francis Bell re drink in the King Country and increase in totalisator permits both promising careful consideration. The delegates gave their report on District Convention. An intercessory meeting was held to offer up prayer for the peace of the nations.

Y's Column.

INVERCARGILL.

Dec. 3. Invercargill Y's annual meeting. Reports showed an increase of membership and financial position was good. The members who had visited Bible Classes during the year had brought the Temperance question before each member, and made them realise its importance. Donations to the Maori Fund, Bluff Sailors' Rest, Organising Fund, N.Z. Fund and Missionary Fund were passed for payment. Following officers for 1924 were elected: Pres., Miss R. Finlayson; Vice-Pres., Misses Lopdell, Blaikie and Pearce; Rec. Sec., Miss Seed; Cor. Sec., Miss R. Smale; Treas., Miss W. Cunningham; Asst. Treas., Miss Sheriffs; Press Reporters, Misses Ker and

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