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## "SO THEY COVER IT UP."

At the Wellington District Convention, Mrs Rhodes was present, and told the delegates about the facts leading up to her daughter's death in Kelvin Hospital, and about the Commission of enquiry held into these facts.

Many hearts were deeply stirred as we listened to that mother, in a most calm and self-controlled manner, telling of the tragic events which had killed a young mother; and eyes were moist as she told us: "Nothing can bring my girl back to me, but I want to save other mothers from suffering as I have done."

One fact standing out above all was the callousness of hiding facts from those most concerned. There was a suspicious case in the Home some time before Mrs Rhodes' daughter went in, but the doctor never warned her of it. Presumably it was unprofessional to talk about it. This conspiracy of silence has got to be broken down to save the lives of our young mothers. We have it on every high authority that though the death rate of babies over a month old in New Zealand is the lowest in the world, that of infants under one month is the highest.

The Women's societies must do for the mothers and newly born infant what the Plunket Society has done for older babies.

A higher sense of responsibility must be developed in professional circles. A doctor who allows an expectant mother to go into a Home where there have been suspicious cases, without warning her friends,

is morally guilty of manslaughter if she loses her life, and we think should be legally guilty of it. Sometimes when symptoms of septicaemia develop, the friends are not told; it is hidden by nurse and doctor, and valuable time is lost.

Our space is limited, but we shall have more to say upon this matter later on. If maternal mortality is to be reduced one of the chief factors is to deal openly with the matter, and cease hiding facts, and screening the careless or incompetent.

## A UNION IS NOT A CHURCH.

Miss Willard to the Boston W.C.-T.U. sent this message. "The W.C.-T.U. is not a Church; it is a Temperance Union; it has no creed, but a declaration of principles. Among its rally cries are these:—"No sectarianism in religion, no sectionalism in politics, no sex in citizenship." If Catholics or Protestants, Jew or Gentile will come to us as fraternal message bearers, or as working allies upon this sacred platform, let us not only clasp their friendly hands, but go more than half way to welcome them to the broad outlook and blessed fellowship of a Union that has the home for its centre, harmony for its watchword, and the happiness of all for its heaven-appointed goal."

## HOW GOES THE FIGHT?

At the Annual Public meeting of the B.W.T.A., Mrs Wintringham M.P. said that women M.Ps. would always

keep before them that the great thing was to prevent evil rather than cure it. It was because of this desire to prevent evil that she believed in teaching children at School how very terrible was drinking and its results. That morning there had been a deputation to the minister of Education, and she had pressed strongly the question that there should be a compulsory syllabus, teaching the evils of alcohol on the human body and mind for the teachers in the training colleges. The minister has whole-hearted sympathy with the requisitions we made, and he is certainly going to do as much as he can to further them.

## GOOD FOR THE LABOUR GOVERNMENT.

The British Labour Government has through the Post Office intimated that it will no longer sanction the displays on licensed premises of official plates, announcing that the public may use telephones there.

## NOT A HOPE.

"33 States of U.S.A. went dry with out the womens' vote, what hope of modification or repeal with the woman vote—Hon. Walter F. George, Senator.

## HOW STRANGE!

In the House of Commons, Lord Henry Cavendish Bentwick called attention to the alarming increase

in the number of deaths caused by lead poisoning. The Registrar General's Annual Reports show the following certified deaths from poisons for 19 years—1902-1920 Lead poisoning 1,481 deaths; Alcohol Poisoning 31,175 deaths. Why was Lord Henry so concerned about less than 2000 deaths from lead poisoning, so careless of nearly 32,000 deaths from alcohol poisoning?

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### CHRISTIAN HALT! READ!

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"I am as strong a party man as anybody . . . But I would not support a member of my own party if he were not sound on the question of Temperance reform."—Rt. Hon. Philip Snowden, M.P.

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### WHO CAN JOIN THE W.C.T.U.?

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An officer from one of our Unions asks can ladies become members who are not members of any Church? From the White Ribbon for March 1896 we quote the following:—"It seems necessary from time to time to remind our members of the catholicity of the W.C.T.U. Intensity of purpose seems to have an almost fatal fatality of allying itself with narrowness of thought. Whilst we welcome and admire zeal we must strenuously resist narrowmindedness lest we lapse into bigotry and create greater evils than those we are banded together to overcome. Several years ago an attempt was made to impose a declaration of religious belief. In view of these attempts, and in the hope of preventing misunderstanding in the future, we reprint the following statement of the conditions of membership contained in the leading article of the "Union Signal" of December 5th, 1895. "To sign the total abstinence pledge and pay the annual fee are the sole conditions of membership of the W.C.T.U."

At the 11th Convention of the N.Z. W.C.T.U. 1896, the following resolution was passed:—"Any woman signing the Constitution and paying her dues may become a member of any W.C.T.U. and may be elected to any office in the Union."

### SUPERINTENDENTS LETTER.

September 10th 1924.

Dear White Ribbon Sisters,

As the Gaming Bill will be brought before Parliament shortly, and there is no time to draw up a largely signed petition, would each Union Secretary and W.C.T.U. member get busy and write a short letter to the members of their district protesting against any increase in the racing permits.

We all as W.C.T.U. members feel so strongly in regard to this matter that if we used our personal influence we might do a great deal.

Begin and write at once.

M. BIRSS.

Superintendent Legal and Parliamentary Department.

Dear White Ribbon Sisters,

I wish to draw your attention to our Evangelistic Department, which I have always considered one of the most important.

It is written that the Master said, "Without me, ye can do nothing." We therefore hope that all branches of our Union will keep the distinctly spiritual part of our work to the fore. Recently I received from America a small package of literature selected and ordered by our beloved President, Mrs Don. Each pamphlet is written by Mary Harris Armor, the subjects being as follows:—

- (1.) Conquerors.
- (2.) Plan of work for a Golden Jubilee.
- (3.) Prayer; and The Importance of Prayer as evidenced by the Practice of Christ.

This latter very helpful pamphlet was used at the Wellington District Convention, and the study it promoted was much enjoyed. Various members read the selected passages quoted on the leaflet, thus adding to the helpfulness and interest of the meeting. Many of the delegates requested copies to take to their individual Unions.

I shall be glad to supply a copy to any Evangelistic Superintendent upon application, together with the name and address of the writer, or the Publishing House, where more copies can be obtained.

Pray, Work, and live for Christ and His Service, is the prayer of

M. A. JOHNSON WRIGHT,  
(Dominion Evangelistic Supt.,)

127 Constable Street,  
Wellington South.

### TREASURER'S REPORT.

The following donations have been received since the date of last report:—

#### New Zealand Fund.

Stratford and Wanganui Central £1 each.

#### Franchise Day Collections.

Whangarei, £1; Wanganui East, 10s. 6d., Stratford, 9s. 3d.

#### Organising Fund.

Avondale, £1; Per Miss Bradshaw, 7s. 6d.

#### Maori Fund.

South Invercargill, £1 10s., Avondale, 15s., Edendale, 8s. 6d.

NELLIE BENDELEY,  
N.Z. Treasurer.

Auckland,

8th October, 1924.

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### PERSONAL.

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Miss Henderson writes enroute to New York on her way to England to meet her sister Mrs Allen, who is delegate to League of Nations at Geneva.

"Master Fraser Baillie son of an Ekethuna White Ribboner, has won first prize offered to Secondary Schools for essay by League of Nations Union."

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### TYPED REPORT OF CONVENTION.

The following Unions have sent money (1/6) for the above: Onehunga, Lyttelton. Will they kindly accept this acknowledgment in lieu of formal receipt?

KATE M. EVANS,

Rec. Sec.

Address: 205 Clyde Street,  
Island Bay,  
Wellington.

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### THE SECRET OF SUCCESS.

"Push" said the Electric Bell.

"Always keep cool" said the Ice.

"Be up to date" said the Calendar.

"Never lose your head" said the barrel.

"Make light of everything" said the tyre.

"Do a driving business" said the hammer.

"Aspire to greater things" said the Nutmeg.

"Find a good thing, and stick to it," said the Glue.

## DISTRICT CONVENTIONS.

## CANTERBURY.

Canterbury District Convention, held at Sumner, on September 9th, 10th and 11th.

Mrs T. E. Taylor, President of North Canterbury District presided, and was supported by Mrs W. J. Williams, Vice-President, and Mrs J. McCombs, President of the Local Union.

An Executive meeting was held on Tuesday morning, when 59 delegates, representing 30 Unions, were present, with a membership of over 1500.

Arrangements were made for the Wednesday and Thursday Sessions, and in the afternoon a Reception of delegates was held, the Masonic Hall being crowded. The Mayor, in extending a borough welcome, said: "there was much need for Christian Temperance and true Christianity."

The Minister also gave words of welcome, and Mrs J. McCombs and Mrs Taylor responded for the visiting delegates, and referred to the world-wide nature of the W.C.T.U. Prohibition fosters National welfare as well as the good of the individual child. The parents who were in closest touch with child life, should exercise the greatest influence. New Zealand was behind America where 10,000,000 women were banded together for the benefit of humanity, and in England by woman's organisations.

Professor Condliffe spoke on "Women and Citizenship." He said women were the guardians of citizenship in every generation, and if they wanted to uplift humanity they should realise the importance of personal contact. Children should be so educated that they should realise the horrors of war, and so remove the possibilities of a future outbreak.

A future war would be on a greater and more devastating scale than any previous one, and the women should band together to make war an impossibility.

In the evening a Jubilee meeting was held, Mrs Taylor presiding over a large gathering.

Mr J. I. Royds, President of the New Zealand Alliance, spoke on the plans for the coming campaign. He urged the need for active work among the young people and personal canvass.

The Rev. Dr Coursey gave an enthusiastic and inspiring address on his Prohibition work on the West

Coast, and his great faith in the victory which must come for Prohibition, being the cause of God.

The Sessions opened on Wednesday with Devotional exercises, led by Miss Earnshaw.

The reports of several Unions showed active and progressive work in various departments. Delegates from the three new Unions (Templeton, Sefton and Cheviot) recently formed, were welcomed.

In the afternoon Mrs Taylor spoke on "The League of Nations, and what it stood for," and urging the members to join the League of Nations Union, and to form Study Circles for education, and to use all their influence for a World's peace.

Mrs W. J. Williams stressed the Christian ideal and the great message of peace.

On Thursday, work among young people was fully discussed and several Unions reported on good work done in Band of Hope and L.T.L. departments. Miss Earnshaw, Dominion organiser, gave a full and interesting report of her recent work and difficulties experienced in the North Canterbury District.

Plans of work for raising funds were very fully discussed, and members expressed their willingness to help in order to make the organising work easier and more effective. A number of resolutions were proposed discussed and carried, and forwarded to the National Convention for consideration. A resolution of appreciation was passed with Mrs K. Kippenberger for her valuable services as Secretary of the District Union for the past three years; one of congratulation to Mrs E. P. Allen, M.A., L.L.B., (nee Henderson), a member of the W.C.T.U., who has been appointed by the Australian Government as their representative at the Assembly of the League of Nations at Geneva, and also with Miss E. Chaplin, M.A., on being elected the Governor's Nominee for the Board of Governors' of Canterbury College.

The North Canterbury District officers were elected as follows:—Mrs T. E. Taylor, President; Mrs W. J. Williams, Vice-President; Miss Stephens, Secretary (pro. tem.); Miss Lovell Smith, Treasurer; Miss Gordon, Assistant Treasurer.

The South Canterbury officers elected were:—Mrs Norrie (Timaru), President; Mrs B. Low, Vice-Presi-

dent; Mrs Butcher, Secretary; Miss Holgarth, Treasurer.

The Convention closed with votes of thanks to Trustees of the Methodist Church, hostesses, and the singing of "God be with you till we meet again."

## HAWKE'S BAY.

Opened in the Willard Hall, Napier, September 24th.

Mrs Speight, in a short speech, welcomed the delegates, of whom there were 33 present, representing Napier, Hastings, Waipukurau, Waipawa, and Dannevirke.

Reports from the various Unions showed good progress in all branches of the work.

Votes of condolence were passed to the relatives of the late Mesdames Pedersen, McLennan and Carnell.

Noontide devotions were conducted by Mrs Wilson, the district president, who spoke at some length on the world-wide work of the W.C.T.U.

The following resolutions were carried unanimously:—

(1) That this convention of women protests against (a) the introduction of liquor into the King Country, thereby violating the Treaty of Waitangi; (b) the Government railways carrying liquor into prohibited areas; (c) the granting of licenses to clubs; (d) the granting of a license to the Westshore Hotel in spite of the expression of public protest.

(2) Also, this convention declares against war and militarism and pledges itself to support all measures in furtherance of "No More War."

At the afternoon sessions items were rendered by Miss Bradshaw and Miss Marion Wells, and Mrs Wilson gave a very able address on "How to influence the Young People to tread the paths of Purity and Temperance."

A paper from the Hastings Union on "An Ideal District Union" was then read by Mrs Paul. A plea was made for whole-hearted effort in carrying out the aims of the W.C.T.U. in organising the District Union.

An interesting and lengthy discussion on the financial aspect of the District Union work followed. A collection to form a "nest egg" for a special district fund resulted in the sum of £1 4s. 6d.

After the Napier ladies had served afternoon tea, the newly-appointed Dominion organising secretary, Miss

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traffic but all Christian Nations had seen the iniquity of such a traffic and God set his Seal on the efforts of a noble band of men and women who fought in this cause and crowned their efforts with success. So too would He eventually appear in the abolition of the drink traffic, though we have been defeated again and again. He also said that the command. "Go ye and preach the Gospel" was acknowledged as a binding command by Christians generally, but, "and cast out devils," is passed over in silence. The Devil of Drink has to be cast out very often before the Gospel reaches its mark.

The afternoon session opened with Devotions led by Miss Kennedy, of the Independent Order of Rechabites. This lady gave an excellent address on the duty and privilege of entire consecration.

Mrs Driver, Dunedin, followed. She spoke briefly of the power of the individual when well directed. She instanced the work done by Evangeline Booth in France. When asked the secret of her marvellous success she summed it up in one word "Love." The work of Josephine Butler for "purity" and the Feminist Movement as far as concerned the welfare of women and children were also touched upon in her interesting address.

Reports, unfinished business, and remits occupied the remainder of the time and elicited some discussion Mrs McKenzie's resignation was accepted with general regret.

The First District Convention was a great success. A great deal of business was put through, inspiring speeches delivered, and everything done to scheduled time.

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Other Convention reports have had to be held over till next issue for lack of space.

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#### A MUCH-TRIED RECIPE.

Take one reckless, natural born fool; two or three big drinks of bad liquor; a fast, high-powered motor car; soak the fool well in the liquor, place in the car, and let him go. After due time, remove from wreckage, place in black satin-lined box, and garnish with flowers.

#### ORGANISER'S REPORT.

Dear White Ribboners,—

Greetings to you all. It is now over two months since I took up my work in the North Canterbury District and several members have asked me to send a report to you through our White Ribbon, or part of the report given at the Canterbury Provincial Convention held at Sumner last month.

Places visited were Amberley, Leithfield, Broomfield, Sefton, Balcairn, Saltwater Creek, and part of Ashley Downs. Also Hawarden, Waikari, Woodgrove, Horsley Downs, Cheviot, Spotswood, Domett and Sheffield. Several Unions were formed, which included membership and officers from two or three of the districts named. About 70 members were gained and forty White Ribbon subscribers. This district (North Canterbury) was an extremely difficult one to work. The distances were great, requiring much cycling, often against strong head winds. The train service very poor. On one occasion when I had a meeting at Waikari I had to leave Cheviot on Thursday afternoon and was not able to return until Saturday afternoon to Cheviot.

In working one place I was obliged to leave home by train at 8 a.m. and was not able to return until nearly 7 p.m. I often began my work when the frost was thick on the ground. Many people were very kind, and on one extra frosty morning four people within an hour asked me if I had had breakfast.

Accommodation was exceedingly difficult to obtain and it was necessary to work several places at a time on this account. More than once after cycling all day and starting for home I found a strong head wind and the distance to go 4 or 5 miles. I had not sufficient strength to cycle against a head wind and walked most of the way pushing my cycle, arriving home at dusk quite exhausted. Twice I was caught in a heavy and unexpected storm and was not able to change my soaking footwear for several hours.

One day when the wind made it quite impossible to cycle I walked some miles; there were often heavy showers of rain. I was advised to take "a short cut"

home through the paddock. There were many fences and I found that with a strong wind and rain and some wide water races to cross, progress was slow and difficult, and I am not sure that I gained much by trying the paddocks instead of the road. I remember that in one paddock I was rather fearful at having to pass a bull, but as the rain was so thick that I found it difficult to keep an eye on him, I hoped (not for my own safety) that it was just as difficult for him. Excepting for one hour, when in desperation I hired a car in the Waikari District (the cost of which has been kindly met by the North Canterbury District) and the help of Mr Berg, the schoolmaster at Cheviot, who motored me, with my cycle to Spotswood, I have tried to do the best I could with my cycle as the only means of transport, and must admit that I am most disappointed with the result—so much of the district was left untouched. I do not think there is any satisfaction in trying to work a district such as this one, although there is much need to work it, unless quicker and easier means of transport are available. There is too much strength and time wasted and so much left undone. It is for the work's sake that I have given the account of the difficulties, although I think I could not go through the experience again.

The outlying districts are of great importance, often they are left quite untouched by us, but rarely by our enemy. I feel that we should concentrate upon them for some time to come, but it is a problem for us to face to know how the work can be done under present conditions.

I attended the Canterbury District Convention at Sumner, September 9th, 10th and 11th. This was an exceptionally good Convention with a splendid delegation (57).

I am now in the Ashburton district and have spent a few days in Ashburton, Tinwald, and Methven, leaving today for Mayfield. I have spoken at a number of meetings during the month, one of which was the Hampstead Band of Hope with an attendance of about 150 ably presided over by the Rev. Matthews.

Yours very sincerely,  
ALICE EARNSHAW,  
Organiser of the W.C.T.U.

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**TAKE NOTICE.**

All correspondents please note that Mrs Peryman's address is now FOXTON.

**DEATH NOTICE.**

CHEGWIDDEN—On the 7th September, at 5 Waripori Street, Wellington South, after a long and painful illness, AGNES EMILY, the beloved wife of William Chegwidden, ex-Inspector of Stores, P. & T. Department.

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WELLINGTON, OCTOBER 18, 1924.

**OUR ORPHAN.**

Yes, dear Editor, I'm a lone, lorn orphan. Neither father nor mother do I possess, but I've got a great many sisters, who wear the White Bow and are called the White Ribboners. Some of them have tendered and cared for me since I was an infant, and a very lusty infant I was,

in bygone days, and I fought for Women's Rights because they were the rights of my sisters. But now, dear Editor, some of my sisters seem ashamed of me and they don't like to introduce me to their friends. So please, may I write a few words to them? Thank you.

Dear White Ribbon sisters, by kind permission of our Editor, I am sending you a little message. Some of you seem to have forgotten all about your brother and I must bring myself back to your memory.

I was looking in the Editor's paper basket, last week, and I read in a paper from the U.S.A. that the "President and Secretary of the New Zealand Union were spending the savings of a life time to find out the facts about Prohibition." This made me sit up and realise my responsibility. My dear Aunts, Christina and Rachel, are sending lots of these facts to me, and I wonder am I failing them in not spreading them more widely. But alas! how can I do that unless my sisters introduce me to the homes. I can't get in without an introduction, and even when I am introduced some people say I am not "nice." Well my sisters, there are many things in this world that are not "nice," like the Artist's Ball in Sydney where everything was present but Art and Decency, and the same thing goes on in this Dominion, though not so openly done. Its not "nice" to write about these things, but unless these things are shewn up they can never be cured.

Now, dear sisters, are you failing the trust reposed in you by our absent officers?

I prowled round the Editor's desk sometimes and I read this in a letter lying there. "Oh, please tell your people everywhere that the people in the back blocks vote against Prohibition because they don't know."

This made me sad. I'm so willing to tell them if my White Ribbon sisters will only introduce me to them.

If you can't get me in a home try and introduce my baby brother "The Y.P. Supplement."

You can have my brother to introduce to L.T.L's, Schools, etc., without me. Just you write to our Business Manager about him and she'll tell you how to do it.

Who am I? Why I'm your own "White Ribbon" Paper. Please introduce me to 800 new homes before

the end of the year and that will put me in 5,000 families. You could double that next year and win the Poll. What about a big drive in Xmas holidays. No meetings to attend, introduce me to back country where you go for your holidays. Goodbye sister. Thanks to those who always carry my photo and introduce me wherever they go. May their shadows never grow less and their numbers grow greater.

**A TRIBUTE FROM "OUR SEAMEN"**

The following letter is only one among many received by our Timaru Union. It speaks eloquently as to the "worth whileness" of our Work among Seamen.

August 28, 1924.

To The Women's Christian Temperance Union, Sailor's Rest, Timaru. Dear Mesdames,

Just a line of appreciation and thanks to you all for the generosity and hospitality shown and extended to us, the sailors of the S.S. Port Curtis, during our brief stay in the Port of Timaru.

In voicing the opinion of the sailors of this ship, they emphatically declare that in all the sailors rests, (they have travelled throughout this world, and, believe me, it's quite a few) the women of Timaru are held in the highest esteem, more so in the one great point of class distinction, which is so prevalent in many of the Rests; but we are glad to say there is none in Timaru. We are sending a photograph of the ship as promised, and to commemorate the dedication of the New Sailors' Rest, which we hope will have a long and most successful life, and will be the means of brightening thousands of seafarer's lives as a Home from Home; and also we send our heartfelt good wishes to the Women's Christian Temperance Union, and hope that God will help you in carrying this work to a safe heaven, in which He has appointed such brilliant Navigators as the Women's Temperance Union of Timaru.

May God speed and Guide you, is our earnest Prayer.

We remain—yours sincerely,  
Seamen,

S.S. PORT CURTIS.

## OUR WANDERERS BY SEA AND LAND.

Chattanooga,  
U. S. America,  
Sept. 2nd, 1924.

Dear Mrs Peryman,—

We have been moving about so much, that I had no real opportunity last month to write for the "White Ribbon," and now I do not know what time I shall have. I thought that this morning would be free, but we have already put through two lengthy interviews with newspaper reporters.

On August 30th we said farewell to Mrs Armor and her family and left for Newman, a town 150 miles away, where we were to take part in a "Jubilee" Celebration. You know that during this year the Unions are celebrating their golden "Jubilee." The aim set by the National President was fifty Jubilee meetings in each State. From Newman we went to Bainesville to attend an all-day District Rally. Right throughout the States instead of holiday meetings of the District Executives, District Rallies are organised. These are sometimes called Institutes, because they are made the occasion for instructing W.C.T.U. members on the various departments of work. At the Bainesville meeting Mrs Don spoke both in the morning and in the afternoon, and I was also given an opportunity to speak on New Zealand.

In all, during the month of August we have visited 17 towns and have taken part in all sorts of meetings and functions,—District Rallies, Public Meetings, Banquets, Luncheons, and Reception have crowded the days. It has frequently happened that in the one day we have been given a luncheon, and a reception, and in the evening have spoken at a public meeting. Mrs Don has usually spoken three times a day, for, whatever the nature of the gathering may be, people are anxious to hear her speak. In one City she preached twice at morning and evening services on the Sunday, and in the afternoon, by special request she spoke to the soldiers at Fort Benning, the largest Infantry Training School in the United States. On several occasions we have been entertained at luncheon by the Kiwanis Clubs—The Kiwanis are business men, and their

aims and objects are similar to those of the Rotary Club. It is not at all usual for them to entertain women, but in our case they were keen to honor the "distinguished" guests from New Zealand.

There was one feature of the Jubilee meetings that interested and pleased me, and that was the pageant showing how Prohibition was established, or "put over," as the enemies say. For this pageant 48 young girls are required. They should be dressed in white and each wear cross-wise a white sash bearing the name of a State in gold, and on her head a coronet of white with gold stars, both sash and coronet are made very effectively of white crepe paper. These girls remain in the background until the leader has explained that she is going to demonstrate how Prohibition was "put over." Then she calls the States in the order in which they carried prohibition. Maine first of course, and then the others until 32 were standing in line. I wonder how many people realise that 32 of the States were "dry" by their own vote in 1918. Then in 1919 came war-time prohibition bringing the other States into line. On January 16th, 1920, the 18th Amendment was passed. This required to be ratified by two-thirds of the States, and seven years was the time allowed for ratification and only 13 months was required. Some of the States called a special session of the Legislature in order to ratify. Not 36, the necessary two-thirds, but 46 States ratified.

You will have realised that visiting 17 towns scattered over the State of Georgia, we have met people of all classes and callings, and the opinions very freely expressed all indicate that Prohibition is an undoubted blessing to the State of Georgia. In spite of depression due to a succession of failures of the cotton crop, the country has an air of prosperity, people have money to spend and everywhere new houses are being built in great numbers. This activity in the building line is quite remarkable and certainly indicates that people are able to make homes. The legitimate hotel business has gone ahead by leaps and bounds, and it is remarkable to find excellent hotels in small country towns, while in the cities the size and number of hotels fills us with amazement.

We are managing to get in some sight-seeing, for everywhere we go some W.C.T.U. member devotes her time and her car to our use. Yesterday we were motored over one of the great battle-fields of the Civil War. The country where the main battle was fought has been reserved for a National Park, and every detail of the battle is preserved by means of monuments, inscribed stones, and tablets. The very guns used have been placed as nearly as possible in the positions they occupied during the battle. The surroundings of Chattanooga are very beautiful, the city being surrounded by hills. This morning we are to be taken out to the most famous of these, so that we may get a view of seven States.

I think it will interest my readers to know that in one of the towns we visited there is still to be seen the old slave pen, where slaves used to be sold. The building is in an open space right in the centre of the town, and is said to be just as it was in the days of slavery. The chains are still attached to the walls, and the great bell which was used to announce the sales still hangs from the roof. The 'pen' is now in the care of the Women's Club, and is preserved as a historic monument.

One other matter of interest before I close. I am on the watch for anything that shows the progress made by women, and learned that the new Governor of Texas is a woman—the first to hold such a position. A woman also holds the important position of State Commissioner of Roads in Alabama, and still another woman is Chief of Police in New York.

Mrs Don joins me in sending loving greetings to all White Ribboners.

Yours sincerely,  
CHRISTINA HENDERSON.

Dear Editor,—

It was quite a surprise when I opened the beloved "White Ribbon" messenger to see myself there "as others see me." The photo was taken in Ilfracombe, Devonshire by a photographer who makes a speciality of showing folk all ways at once by means of a mirror. Thank you cordially for allowing me to show my "Shadowy" self to our folk. In 1925 I hope the "substance" will be in N.Z. to war against "the vilest fiend of all."



I had a busy 2 months in Scotland; then a "taking in" week at the great Keswick Convention. Tomorrow I go to Cheltenham, where I shall see Sister Moody Bell, and then on to Wales for a big month's mission. On October 17th Mr and Mrs Garroway, Miss Reid and I leave for India. We can only stay a fortnight there. Then we cross to Ceylon and lend a hand to our friends there for another fortnight, and then on to Australia and New Zealand. Now if anyone wants to give me a special treat and a mail can be caught in time please have a letter directed to me at P.O., Colombo, Ceylon. It is a peculiar joy to get letters in a foreign land from beloved friends and fellow workers. I went to visit the Trust Public House Co on Thursday, to get all the information I could that might be of use to us. The lady Secretary was very courteous and assured me it was a "mild form of temperance effort." I was secretly amused for the "mildness" of the effort was very apparent. When I visited one of the Public Houses under Trust management and saw several men and women drinking intoxicating liquors, I asked the manager—"How do you try to discourage the use of intoxicants?" He looked rather non-plussed and then airily answered "Oh well, when a fellow asks for a whisky you can hardly advise him to have a lemon squash."

The temperance part is too "mild" to push out the drink trade. The meals are good, the placés are clean, and the shareholders get from 5 to 7 per cent. on their money. Some 200 Trust Public Houses are now in full swing. If only it meant the closing of the vile drinking dens around, we could wish the scheme success, but when we see the honest public houses flourishing side by side with the Trust Inns, we cannot see any great advantage in Earl Grey's well intentioned efforts.

The lessening of the hours of sale over all Britain has made a striking change for the better everywhere. Also the greatly increased price of liquor, but "there remaineth much land to be possessed." Hon. W. E. Johnston, (Pussyfoot) invited me to lunch with him on Wednesday. He is looking well, and is gratified with the continued progress of Prohibition in U.S.A. He is just off to Constantinople and Greece to push the work

ahead. Truly ours is a Word Movement and we with God so love the world that we are willing to give our best to save it.

My love to every Comrade, ever in Jesus' happy service.

—BESSIE LEE COWIE.

London,

September 26th, 1924.

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### GEORGIA WELCOMES "OUR TRAVELLERS"

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Mrs Don and Miss Henderson spent a very pleasant holiday with Dr. Mary Harris Armor in her home at Eastman, Georgia. They were given a Reception when a colour scheme of white and green was beautifully developed in the decorations, refreshments and favours.

They spoke at missionary circles and other gatherings, and a continuous series of luncheons, teas, dinners, drives and outings culminated on Sunday evening in a splendid public welcome in the Baptist Church.

Conspicuous among the elaborate floral decorations of the Church were the flags of the Dominion of New Zealand and the U.S.A., with staffs crossed and united with a white ribbon bow.

Mrs D. D. Smith, president of the Mary Harris Armor chapter of the W.C.T.U., presided, and the following program was carried out:—

Organ Prelude—Miss Marjorie Clark.

Hymn.

Prayer—Rev. George Acree.

Violin Solo—John Daniel Jr.

Welcome from the City—Col. W. A. Wooten.

Welcome from the Churches—Rev. George Acree.

Song—"Jubilee Bells"—by the Choir.

Welcome from Kiwanis Club—Mr T. W. Oliver.

Welcome from Girl Scouts—Mrs Henry Smith.

Scout Song by Girl Scouts.

Welcome from Missionary Societies—Mrs M. H. Edwards.

Welcome from U.D.C.—Mrs W. P. Cobb.

Welcome from D.A.R.—Mrs C. F. Coleman.

Welcome from the W.C.T.U.—Mrs John Bohannon.

Anthem by Choir.

Introduction of Miss Henderson, the capable Cor. Secretary of the National W.C.T.U. of New Zealand, by Mrs Armor.

Response by Miss Henderson.

Introduction of Mrs Rachel Don, the gifted President of the New Zealand W.C.T.U., by Mrs Armor.

Response by Mrs Don.

Closing Hymn.

The audience greatly enjoyed the unusual privilege of hearing three such distinguished speakers as Mrs Armor, Miss Henderson, and Mrs Don in one evening, and showed it by words of appreciation after the close of the service.

The music was a splendid feature of the occasion, the choir being composed a double sextette of ladies from the Methodist and Baptist Churches, with Mrs Charles Hodgson and Miss Marjorie Clark as accompanists.

One specially attractive musical number was the violin solo by little nine-year-old John Daniel, Jr.

One who was present at this service writes "We never applaud in church on Sunday, but when, after carrying us up and up with her, Mrs Don in a thrilling climax pictured herself rushing to speak to us in the near future and calling "America! Georgia! Eastman! New Zealand has gone dry!" the audience was swept, in spite of itself into involuntary and enthusiastic applause." Adding "Remember the thermometer was 96 degrees. Some speaker who can enthuse people at the end of a service with the thermometer running above 90 in the shade."

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### GOOD BOOKS.

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In these days of novels of many and various kinds it is good to know of clean wholesome interesting stories for our young people. We can confidently recommend the books offered by Mr French and direct the attention of our readers to his advertisement.

The Clinton of Kencot Stories may be sent as gifts to any young person, they are readable, humourous and interesting.

# News of the Unions.

## PLEASE NOTE!

1. Every Union should report.
2. Reports must be short.
3. Must be in by 8th of month.
4. Don't report what you are going to do.
5. Don't send newspaper reports of your meetings.

### TURAKINA.

Sept. 18. At Mrs Gabites. Seven ladies present. Decided to send a parcel of clothes at once to Willard Home. Birthday greeting was sent to one of our members, who had attained her 90th birthday. After the meeting Mrs Gabites entertained the ladies at afternoon tea.

### OXFORD.

Sept. 17. Members and friends met to celebrate the 13th birthday of the local Union. All joined in singing "All Round the World," and prayer was offered by Miss Gainsford. An excellent musical programme was provided, items being contributed by Misses T. Johnson and M. Bol, Mesdames C. Johnson, Comyns, Cooper, and Whyte, and Messrs R. and C. Johnson. The Rev. B. Fox gave an interesting address on "The League of Nations," explaining its aims and what had already been accomplished through the influence of the League. A vote of thanks was accorded to Mr Fox and to all those who had assisted in the evening's entertainment. Supper was handed round, including a handsome birthday cake given by the President. Mrs L. Watson, on behalf of the non-members present, wished the W.C.T.U. many happy returns and success in future years.

### NAPIER.

Sept. 3. President in chair. Meeting at Willard Hall. Mrs Wilson, from Hastings, made welcome. Miss Bradshaw invited to stay with Mrs F. Freeman, and help work up the District Convention for September 24th. The resignation of Mrs Field as Rec. Sec. received; a letter of thanks sent for past services; Mrs Hull meantime to take extra duties. Decided to have annual meeting of Union on Wednesday, December 3rd. Afternoon tea provided by members.

Oct. 1. Brief address on chapter read by President. Gifts brought for the children of Willard Home, Palmerston North. Letter sent and donation to the Secretary of Y.M.C.A. for use of room during the winter months. Accounts passed for payment in connection with District Convention. Miss Bradshaw gave a short account of work done in the district. Decided to start a Band of Hope at Willard Hall on her return from Gisborne. An invitation accepted to hold a meeting at Taradale during this month.

### MASTERTON.

Sept. 4. Mrs Cocker presided over a good attendance. Arrangements made for sending delegate to District Convention. Votes of sympathy were passed with Mrs Kitchener in the death of her father, also to Miss Wingate re the illness of her mother. Kindly reference was made to Mrs Rowse, at one time member of this Union, and former resident of Masterton, who recently passed away at the age of 93. A paper written by Mrs Lill on anti-Gambling was read by Miss O. M. Sutherland, and was much appreciated.

Oct. 2. President presided. Mrs Weston reported on her visits to schools in the district during August, regarding the hanging on the wall of the peace message. This had meant a great amount of work and travelling, and was gratefully acknow-

ledged. The Secretary was instructed to write to the Education Department regarding the temperance wall-sheets. Home meeting was arranged for next week, when report of Convention will be given; also pay-up social in November. Deep sympathy was expressed with our Secretary, Miss Wingate, in the death of her mother. Two new members initiated.

### NELSON.

Aug. 12. Good attendance. Splendid address by Mrs Blamires. Afternoon tea and collection for New Zealand Fund. Four new subscribers to the "White Ribbon."

Sept. 9. President in the chair. Mrs Page appointed Secretary for the rest of the year. Delegates to District Convention appointed, and arrangements made for Annual Sale in October.

(July report too stale news.—Ed. "W.R.")

### OPAWA-WOOLSTON.

Oct. 7. Mrs A. D. Jenkin presided over an attendance of twelve. The resignation of Mrs Adams, owing to removal to Palmerston North, accepted with regret. Graphic report of District Convention presented by Mrs Tulloch, and vote of thanks passed to Sumner Union for lavish hospitality to delegates. Afternoon tea dispensed.

### LOWER HUTT.

Sept. 24. Small meeting, weather very bad. Mrs Garlick presided. Report of District Convention postponed till next meeting. Details arranged for Sale of Work in October. Secretary reported having sent No More War circular to churches, but replies had not been received.

### CHEVIOT.

Oct. 4. Mrs Ferguson presided. Attendance small, owing to sickness. Papers and extracts on "Compulsory notification of V.D." read by President, after which afternoon tea was dispensed.

### SEFTON.

Oct. 5. Mrs Thorne presided. Fair attendance. Reports by the delegates to the Convention. Decided to arrange for a children's concert and social during this month for the purpose of forming a Young People's Band of Hope or Temperance Society. In spite of difficulties to be met in a scattered country district, members all feel that this is the most important and effective work required at the present time. A motion of sympathy to Mrs A. Topp, one of our members, and her family, in the passing away that afternoon of a young daughter, was carried, members standing in silence. The collection was taken for the Franchise Day Fund. Afternoon tea was handed round.

### STRATFORD.

Aug. Very rough weather. Members present. 9. Letter read asking for donations of clothing or money for the Willard Home. A fund has been opened for that purpose.

Sept. Letter from the Salvation Army discussed, asking the members if they could see their way clear to have a stall at their coming Self-Denial Fair—carried unanimously. Our Union, in conjunction with the Alliance, has started a Band of Hope, which promises to be very successful. A special collection was taken up for Franchise Day.

### GREYMOUTH.

Aug. 26. Good attendance. Mrs Mason appointed delegate to District Conference. Letters in "White Ribbon" from Mrs Don and Miss Henderson were read. During the month a pleasant "evening" was given at the Sailors' Rest for sailors in port. The Rest is made good use of, and appreciated by the sailors. Credit is due to Mrs Stewart and others for entertaining them.

Sept. 30. Good attendance. Mrs Martin presiding. Mrs Mason gave an interesting report of Conference at Sumner. A Committee, consisting of Mesdames Mason, Wilson, Gilbert and Dixon, was formed to make an effort toward starting a Band of Hope in Greymouth as soon as possible.

(July news too stale.—Ed. "W.R.")

### TEMPLETON.

Aug. 26. Inaugural meeting. Mrs T. E. Taylor and Mrs Barrell, Christchurch, were present to initiate Mrs F. Simpson, the new President, into office. Good attendance. Afternoon tea was served, and musical items contributed. Four new members initiated by Mrs T. E. Taylor. The Band of Hope was held in the evening, and Mrs T. E. Taylor gave a very interesting address to the young folk on the evils of strong drink; eight came forward, and signed the pledge.

### OTAHUHU.

Oct. 2. The afternoon was for the Cradle Roll work. Mrs Neal, from Auckland, spoke on the Cradle Roll work of the Union, which was listened to with interest. Owing to so much sickness, we had very few mothers with children. Mrs Tremwith kindly gave us a musical item. Others were to come, but owing to the loss of our dear minister, Mr Hosking, they were prevented.

### WELLINGTON SOUTH.

Sept. Mrs Johnson Wright presided over large attendance of members and friends. Mrs Quin gave a good report of the District Convention held at Petone, after which Mrs Rhodes, of Auckland, dealt with the state of affairs revealed in the report of the Kelvin Maternity Hospital Commission, and after a stirring account of those deplorable tragedies, a moving appeal was made to those present to make a united effort to prevent a repetition of such tragedies. The following resolutions were passed:—(1) "That every woman who dies within six weeks of the birth of her baby be the subject of a Magisterial inquiry." (2) "That any doctor or nurse who notifies a case of puerperal septicaemia to the Health Department be forbidden to attend any other case for six months, but that compensation be granted to the nurse." Deep sympathy was expressed to Mrs Rhodes and to others who had suffered in the same way, and appreciation of the effort Mrs Rhodes was making on behalf of the other mothers in the Dominion. A vote of sympathy and condolence was passed to the relatives of the late Rev. D. Catchpole, all standing.

### TAKAPUNA.

Oct. 2. Pay-up social. Good attendance. Our President in chair. Letter read, inviting our interest in League of Nations movement, from Mrs Judson, who is forming a class in town for study of same. Report of Onehunga Convention by Miss Piper. Solo by Mrs Wallace. Mrs Benfell, our new District President, addressed the meeting. She spoke on "Prayer," on Daniel's example for persistence. A very special thing to pray for just now was a straight-out issue at the next election. Miss Mills also rendered a solo. Afternoon tea served. A new member from Wellington welcomed.

### FEILDING.

Oct. 2. Combined meeting of the annual Cradle Roll and pay-up social, also gift afternoon for Willard Home. There were quite a lot of children present, and the Superintendent, Mrs Mai, had arranged a very good programme of songs and recitations, given chiefly by the children. Four new members were added to the Cradle Roll. A large number of parcels, consisting of clothing, produce, etc., were brought for Willard Home. A brief report of the recent Convention was given by the delegate. Two ladies joined the Union, being initiated by the President.

PONSONBY.

Sept. 18. Mrs C. H. Taylor presided. Very fair attendance. A letter from Secretary Auckland West Prohibition League, re forthcoming social and lecture, to be held on 25th inst. We decided to help in every possible way. Our members deserve our hearty thanks for the splendid way they come forward to help. Mrs Judson's "Peace Message" dealt with. At our next meeting, October 2nd, we are having a gift afternoon for Willard Home at Palmerston North. Anything suitable for the Home will be welcome gifts. The "White Ribbon" drive was again brought before our members. A very busy and happy afternoon was spent.

FEATHERSTON.

Sept. 11. Meeting held at residence of Mrs Holdcroft. Mrs Clarke presided. Correspondence was read and discussed. Decided to forward a donation of £4 4s to the Willard Home. Afternoon tea was handed round.

Oct. 2. Mrs Clarke presided. An excellent report of Convention was given by Mrs Holdcroft. Each member present expressed her personal thanks and appreciation of Mrs Holdcroft's report. One new member was received. Members were entertained to tea by Mrs Aitken.

NEW PLYMOUTH.

Sept. Very successful social was held on Franchise Day, 42 ladies present. Archdeacon Evans and Rev. O. Blundell gave appropriate addresses. Songs were rendered by Mesdames Mowlem and Craig and Miss Loveridge. The President thanked the speakers and the ladies who had helped to make such a pleasant afternoon. Tea was served at the close of the meeting. Collection in aid of N.Z. Fund, £1 10s 6d.

Sept. 24. Amongst the correspondence was a letter from Mr and Mrs McCulloch in appreciation of letters and Cradle Roll cards sent by Miss Ambury. Supt. of Rest Room reported increase of visitors and contributions during last three months. A vote of thanks was passed for her faithful work in Rest Room. Proposed to ask Superintendents of Departments to report periodically on their work in order to stimulate interest. Mrs Dickson kindly invited members to a "Home" meeting during October. On Sunday, 21st, the Executive attended an anti-war meeting organised by the Labour party. Mrs O. Blundell gave a short address as a representative of the W.C.T.U.

N.E. VALLEY.

Sept. 25. The President (Mrs Peart) presided. Secretary (Miss Begg) read the address given by Mrs Hiett at the Oamaru Convention. Miss Gray, our delegate, read an interesting and comprehensive report; much appreciated, and was accorded a hearty vote of thanks. The President dealt at some length with the distressing facts published recently in the press regarding the increase of drinking among women. This was a matter of deep concern; it spelt the ruin of individual and national life. It behoved them to fight this fresh menace with all their power.

PLEASANT POINT.

Aug. 6. Good attendance. Miss Bishop presided. Miss Walker was appointed Cradle Roll Supt. Two delegates were appointed for Convention, Miss Bishop and Mrs Miller. Mrs Tilbrook, Temuka, gave a most inspiring address. She specially pointed out that our own individuality and our example as a Union would go a long way towards inducing others to join us. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the speaker.

Sept. 3. Miss Bishop in the chair. Decided to ask for the services of the Organiser some time in October. As it was found impossible to get a male superintendent for the L.T.L., it was decided to

have the meetings immediately after the W.C.T.U. meeting, the children coming straight from the day school. Miss Bishop addressed the children, and they provided their own programme.

Oct. 1. Miss Bishop presided over a good attendance. As many members as possible to attend the Alliance Conference in Timaru on October 16. Decided to keep names on Cradle Roll up to eight years, instead of five, as before. Several new "White Ribbon" members gained in outlying districts. The report of Convention was then read, after which the L.T.L. held its meeting.

PETONE.

Sept. 30. Mrs Murgatroyd presided over a fair attendance. Many votes of thanks passed to those who worked so hard to make the Convention a success. Vote of condolence passed to Mrs Hayward, who again had lost a member of her family. Votes of sympathy to Mrs Griffiths, whose daughter is sick, and to Mrs Jones, a former President, whose husband is very ill. Mrs Silbery and Mrs Woolford offered to provide the next afternoon on October 15th. Mrs Hunt then read a very full and interesting account of the work of Convention.

GORE.

Sept. 9. President in the chair. Mrs Smith appointed delegate to District Convention. Resolved to communicate with the Premier, the Minister for Internal Affairs, and the Hon. G. J. Anderson re liquor in King Country, urging "that the sacred bonds of the covenant existing between the people of New Zealand and the Maoris be honoured." Resolved that as many members as possible will attend the Anti-War meeting to be held on Sunday, September 21st. £1 was donated to the local anti-gambling crusade. Decided to hold gift afternoon in aid of Willard Home. Arrangements made to offer two prizes in each school for Temperance essays.

Sept. 30. Good attendance, President in the chair. Secretary reported that the masters of Eigh, Gore and East Gore School, had agreed to receive copies of the "Peace Message." Rev. W. H. Hocking delivered a helpful address. Mrs Smith gave a report of District Convention. One new member.

CHRISTCHURCH.

Sept. 17. Special afternoon in aid of Dr. Barnardo's Homes. About 60 little sacks were sent out by the Secretary to a number of members, and with a collection taken in the room returned the sum of £6 5s. Mrs Taylor presided, and an interesting address on the great work of Dr. Barnardo's Homes was given by Mrs Richards. A number of members also spoke on what they had seen and read of the Homes; 7300 children are fed every day, the charter being, "No destitute child ever turned away." Musical items were given, and afternoon tea dispensed by the Social Committee.

RAKAIA.

Sept. 12. Well-attended special meeting. Address on Prison Work by Miss Baughan proved very interesting and instructive, and was listened to with close attention. The speaker was accorded a hearty vote of thanks. The Y branch, recently formed, met the previous Sunday, when Mrs Roseveare, of Willowby, gave an excellent address, and Mrs Lill, the Ashburton President, also spoke, giving good advice to the girls. A resolution of sympathy with Mrs Hunt, a prominent member of the Union, in the death of her husband, was carried in silence, members standing.

NEW BRIGHTON.

Sept. 17. Mrs H. Hall (President) was in the chair, and the attendance was very good. Very interesting letter was read from Mrs Don. At the Jumble Sale held

recently £15 was added to the Union's funds. Decided to donate £2 to the "Y" Branch. Mr W. Dobbs, Canterbury Organiser for the N.Z. Alliance, gave a splendid talk to the members.

Sept. 27. Held a very successful street cake and produce stall, and donated the proceeds (£7 5s 9d) to the Plunket Society of New Brighton.

WHANGAREI.

Sept. 2. Mrs Goodall (President) conducted. Arranged that the Secretary write to Mrs Lovatt, who was then in Auckland, requesting her to represent our Union at the District Convention. Decided that the collection of T. E. Taylor Day be sent to Willard Home, Palmerston North. Proposed that this Union supply Sister Eleanor with Maori literature to distribute among the Maoris at Hokianga. Sympathy was expressed to former Secretary, Miss Rousell, on death of her mother, the ladies standing. Franchise Day was arranged for.

Sept. 16. At Home meeting, Franchise Day, held at Mrs Cliff's, Princess Street. Mrs Goodall (President) conducted, and explained that it was 31 years since ladies had attained franchise, and gave a reading from "White Ribbon" paper on "Liberty and Equality." Mrs Curtis a recitation, Miss Harrison a song, Miss Lovatt piano-forte solo, Mrs Furness recitation. Mrs Lovatt gave an address, and stated that she had not been able to comply with request to attend Convention, through illness on that day. Afternoon tea was partaken of, and a vote of thanks to Mrs Cliff. Collection £1, to be forwarded to the New Zealand Fund.

HAWERA.

Sept. 25. President in the chair. Attendance fair. Letter of thanks from the Willard Home. Letter of thanks be sent to Minister of Railways re carriage for women and children on New Plymouth and Wellington line. The article from "White Ribbon" was widely discussed, re widows being penalised, the Superintendent to write to the Minister. Mrs Bone kindly consented to act as Superintendent of Legal and Parliamentary Department. Members were in favour of holding another social evening instead of Shop Day. The resolution re peace movement was passed. Mrs Boucher gave a most helpful talk on Good Citizenship, which starts in childhood; the influence of a good mother on their sons and daughters; also be sure to wear our white bow. Future meetings will commence at 3 o'clock. A social cup of tea.

RAMA RAMA.

Aug. 2. At Mrs Robertson's. Good attendance. Mrs Ashby in the chair. A paper was read in memory of the late T. E. Taylor. One more subscriber to "White Ribbon." Afternoon tea served.

Sept. 2. Annual meeting at Mrs E. McConnell's. Good attendance. Officers elected: Pres., Mrs Kerr; Vice-Pres., Mrs Sharp; Sec., Mrs McConnell; Treas., Miss Richards; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Thomas. Afternoon tea was handed round.

HAMILTON.

Oct. 2. The President urgently requested members to work more earnestly and seek every opportunity for eradicating social evils, especially amongst young people. Psalm 119 and verse 9 being cited as containing words of guidance for all; if followed in God's strength, all will be well. As District Convention is to be held at Te Kuiti on 14th October, it was proposed that as many members as possible avail themselves of the opportunity to attend, as we feel that "Union is Strength." Our numbers fluctuate, yet we feel we are steadily and surely gaining ground, and are looking forward for great success in our work.

## MAUNGATUROTO.

Sept. 26. Mrs Grice presided. Thirteen members and friends present. Mrs Wright addressed the meeting on "Work in Africa." As a returned missionary, her address was so interesting and realistic that we could see in imagination the black mothers stuffing the pome down the tiny babies' throats with their thumbs, but this was a mere item among many interesting details. A letter was read from Mrs Birdsall asking for donations of money and clothing for the Willard Home. Decided to write to Mrs Birdsall to the effect that our Branch could not see its way clear to assist, as we are already doing what we can to assist the "Sunshine Guild," which is nearer home. Decided to obtain certain books from the lending library. Another membership subscription was received from a lady who lives at too great a distance to attend meetings, but who desires to help us all she can. Two new subscriptions for our "White Ribbon." Afternoon tea served.

## WANGANUI CENTRAL.

Oct. 3. Mrs Goody presided. Mrs Davies read a paper on Frances Willard. Mrs Goody read extracts from Publicity Bulletin. Decided to have a stall in the Avenue on November 26th in aid of Hostel Fund. Our little gathering then took the form of a social afternoon, Mrs Goody being hostess. A collection for the New Zealand Fund of £1 1s 6d. One new member welcomed.

## BLUFF.

Oct. Most successful "waist-line" tea party to celebrate Franchise Day. A good response to invitations, over forty ladies being present. The hall looked very pretty with spring flowers and dainty afternoon tea tables. President gave a brief review of the struggles for the Franchise, and the number of Bills passed by Parliament since it was granted. Afternoon tea was served, and the following musical programme much enjoyed:—Pianoforte duet, Mrs Walker and Miss McKenzie; solos, Mrs Dawson, Miss Metzger, and Mrs Robjohn; violin and piano, Misses Hunter and Johnston. Two competitions, supervised by Miss Mitchell, were well competed for, and a pleasant afternoon was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.

## WAVERLEY.

Oct. 2. Miss Elmslie presided. One new member initiated. Secretary read abstract from "Publicity Bulletin" on Prohibition in U.S.A. Rest Room Secretary reported insurance money, £25, to hand; also that penny-in-slot machine for lavatory would be £5. Decided to buy one. Attendants for room appointed for four weeks ahead. Sewing machine in need of repair offered to Union for needy family. Decided to enquire about two families in district. Arrangements made for social afternoon in aid of Willard Home to be on Friday, 10th October.

## SUMNER.

Oct. 7. Good meeting, presided over by Mrs McCombs. Being Cradle Roll Day, the Matron of Karitane Home was present, and gave a most interesting address on "The Twelve Essentials for the Baby." Owing to the prevalence of measles, many mothers and children could not attend, but all present thoroughly appreciated the Matron's address. Mrs McCombs referred to the recent Convention, and stated that it had been an unqualified success, and helpful to delegates and local members alike. Mrs Booth (Treasurer) reported that Convention expenses account showed a slight credit balance. A very pleasing duet was sung by Mesdames Heslop and Wilson.

## NORMANBY.

Home meeting, Mrs Bevans in the chair; very good attendance. The appeal on behalf of our Orphanage has been generously

responded to, numbers of parcels received, besides contributions. Musical items were a solo by Mrs Forman, "My Task," and a duet by Mrs Scott and Mrs Forman, "Abide with Me," which were much appreciated. Mrs Scott read a few extracts from a book on "Psychology of the Mind." Afternoon tea handed round. A hearty vote of thanks to our hostess for a very pleasant afternoon.

## TIMARU.

Sept. 30. Good attendance. Mrs Peryman sent congratulations on opening new Rest. Mr Russ asked that delegates be sent to N.Z. Alliance Area Convention to be held in Timaru on October 16th. Hospital visitors were appointed, and Seamen's Entertainment Committee formed, also a strong committee to take charge of refreshment tent on day of official opening by His Excellency the Governor. Decided to invite the Y girls to an impromptu social the same evening. Each of the delegates gave a short report on District Convention recently held at Sumner. Mrs Norrie, who represented the W.C.T.U. at the Peace Demonstration meeting on Sunday, September 21st, was complimented on the speech she made.

## GREYTOWN.

Sept. 30. President occupied chair. Resolved that Secretary write members of Union for donations of money or clothing for Willard Home. Decided to write at once to member for district asking for his influence in amendments in proposed licensing legislation. President's report of Convention was reserved until next meeting. Mrs Morrison gained one new member.

## RICCARTON.

Sept. 18. Good attendance. Arranged to hold special meeting at Puriri Street Church at an early date, to have report from Provincial Convention, and letters from Mrs Don and Miss Henderson read. Discussion re forming a Cradle Roll. Miss Shaw gave an interesting and instructive address on "Home Economics." Afternoon tea was dispensed.

Sept. 30. Drawing-room meeting held at the residence of Mrs Price, Hagley Street, when a special collection was taken in aid of Organising Fund. Rev. H. N. Wright addressed the meeting on "Sympathy." Mrs W. J. Williams gave a short address explaining that it was this very sympathy which made us such keen workers for Prohibition. Musical items were rendered and afternoon tea served.

## DANNEVIRKE.

Sept. 1. Miss Burdett presided. Twelve present. Resolved to have "Gift Afternoon." Mr Grinstead, our Alliance Organiser, happened in, and after afternoon tea, spoke on "The License in the King Country" and some aspects of the work for Prohibition. We passed a resolution re King Country and License, and Secretary was instructed to send a copy to leader of each party, our own M.P., and the "Evening News." Benediction concluded a bright, happy meeting.

Oct. 2. Good attendance for Gift Day. Mrs Hutchinson presided. Secretary sketchily accounted for Convention. Suggested to endeavour to arrange a meeting to the Maoris in the neighbourhoods. Gifts of clothes and 2s towards railage gladly received. Afternoon tea enjoyed. Next meeting annual; paper on "The Franchise," and election of officers.

## MOSGIEL.

Sept. 16. Mrs Bedford presided. Attendance very fair. Agreed to send £1 and a parcel of clothing to Willard Home. The President (Mrs Bedford) gave a most excellent report of the Area Convention, held in Dunedin, which was very helpful to all. One of our oldest members (Mrs Findlay), who was about to celebrate her golden wedding, was congratulated. Afternoon tea handed round.

## WARKWORTH.

Sept. 25. Showery weather, fair attendance. Secretary absent through accident. Mrs Carran in the chair. Business was postponed till after visit of Messrs H. B. Moore and Thornley. Former discussed "Organisation and co-operation for active Temperance work." Decided to call public meeting for October, Mr Moore to get speaker from Alliance representatives. Decided to ask Mrs Hamilton to act as delegate to discuss anti-war resolutions at public meeting. Two interesting papers given by Mesdames Ruprecht and Thornley, the subjects being "Time, the Use and Abuse of it," and "Home—Its Health and Happiness, and the Habits of its Individual Members." Both ladies were accorded a hearty vote of thanks for their helpful essays. Paper for next meeting, "Choosing Our Friends," by Mrs B. M. Green.

## CHEVIOT.

Aug. 6. Well-attended. Mrs Ferguson in the chair. Decided that our President attend Convention at Sumner as a delegate on September 9th and 10th. Resolved to invite Mrs T. E. Taylor to address a local meeting in October. Afternoon tea was served.

## WANGANUI EAST.

Sept. 11. Mrs Duxfield, President, in the chair. Two new members were initiated. Correspondence received from Mesdames Judson and Bendely. Also replies from Mr Massey and the Hon. Bolland re anti-gambling resolution. Our Member, Mr Glenn, failed to reply. Members were pleased to hear that a carriage exclusively for the use of women and children is now attached to the New Plymouth mail train from Wellington. Our Union is pleased to be able to report that they were the initiators of this much-needed reform. Mr Verco was present, and gave a short talk. The Secretary (Mrs Andrew) read extracts from American papers to hand, re the doings of our beloved Mrs Don and Miss Henderson. All are pleased they are having so delightful a time. Our Notable Dr.ys Superintendent, Mrs Brown, read article from "White Ribbon" on "The Franchise." Collection taken up.

Oct. Pay-up Social afternoon. Two new "W.R." subscribers.

## OPOTIKI.

Sept. 11. Mrs Thompson presided. A good deal of correspondence read. The Union decided to donate £5 to the Willard Home. The President gave a short address. Afternoon tea was supplied by Mrs Thompson and Mrs Platt.

## TAURANGA.

Sept. A good attendance of members and visitors present, Mrs Carlton-Smith in the chair. Since our last meeting several of our members have given an evening on the Bible in Schools. Mrs Castles and Mrs McCutcheon read papers, and our President spoke. Mrs Foxcroft read the lesson. Another Band of Hope meeting has been held, and was very well attended, the children seeming really interested. Decided that our affiliation fee be forwarded. A unanimous vote of sympathy to Mr McKenzie and his family, on the recent loss of his wife, one of our members, was passed. Refreshments were dispensed.

## EDENDALE (SOUTHLAND).

August. Mrs W. J. Lennon appointed Vice-President. Main business arose from a letter from Mrs Fairbairn, re District Convention. Two motions carried; full remit to be submitted: (1) That District Unions Executive allocate the expenses amongst the Branches according to membership, provided that amount from each Branch does not exceed an average of 1/- per member; (2) That Mrs Bridgman, President, and Miss Hall, Secretary, attend the District Convention; (3) That those now holding office as District Union Executive be re-elected. The subject for this year's essay be "Why

Should I Be a Total Abstainer?" Mrs Baird, of Invercargill, to be judge of essays. Mrs Bridgman passed on a message from Mr Hopkins, Organiser for the Alliance in Southland, to try by personal influence to win two votes for Prohibition. Sept. Meeting poorly attended. Resolved that Mrs. Hanan be invited to attend our November meeting to give her address about the League of Nations. The annual appeal from the Willard Home was received, and it was agreed, that a parcel be packed as usual a notice to be sent to the three churches. Mrs H. Niven, our "White Ribbon" Agent, gave out free copies of the magazine for distribution.

**SOUTH INVERCARGILL.**

(July. Stale news.—Ed. "W.R.") August. Attendance small. Mrs McGregor presided. Mrs Finch, of Gore, gave a very fine address on "The Influence of Christianity on the Lives of Women." Motion of sympathy passed to the family of Mrs Dawson, one of our very old and faithful members. Mrs McGregor reported that instead of a wreath, she had taken a beautiful bow of white ribbon to be placed on our late sister's coffin in the name of the Union.

**WAIPUKURAU.**

Sept. Meeting to receive report from delegate to District Convention. Report considered very satisfactory. Decided to hold a shop early in November, as our local funds are very low. Band of Hope still in a healthy condition, over 40 children attending regularly.

**HENDERSON.**

Sept. 9. Mrs Platt presided. Letters read from Mrs Judson on League of Nations. Willard Home, asking for help with left-off clothing, letter received; also from Mr Stanton, asking for help in the way of refreshments at an Alliance rally to be held in Foresters' Hall, Henderson, on September 30th. Members only too pleased to help as much as they can. Vote of sympathy was passed to Mrs W. Wright on the death of her sister; also vote of congratulation to Mrs Hart on her recovery from illness. Our delegate to District Union Conference not being present, our President and Secretary gave us a brief outline of the matters discussed there. They were specially impressed with the talk of Adjutant Gordon, who so strongly condemned the public dance and picture theatres in our cities. Many tales of girls' downfall did she tell, feeling those places were the beginning of their fall. Mrs Stuart gave a recitation, much enjoyed. Mrs Williams read a paper on the last two verses of Rom. 8. The prizes we gave to school children and Young Citizens for best essay on alcohol were then passed round.

**ONEHUNGA.**

Sept. 11. Auckland District Convention held here this day. Mrs Johnson was appointed reporter to "White Ribbon," and her report is elsewhere. We had a fine day, and splendid gatherings. Lunch was catered for by the Onehunga Union, while the visitors were our guests for tea.

**RANGIORA.**

Sept. 26. Mrs Thwaites presided over a fair attendance. A resolution of sympathy with the Rev. W. H. Howes and family in their recent bereavement was passed. Decided that the prizes given by the W.C.T.U. for essays on Temperance be presented to the successful competitors at the break-up of the Borough School. Mrs James, "White Ribbon" Agent, made an appeal for more subscribers to the "White Ribbon." She also read a report of a W.C.T.U. meeting which she had attended in Oamaru. Arrangements were made for collecting the subscriptions in connection with the Organising Fund. The Secretary read a report of the District Convention recently held at Sumner.

**BIRKENHEAD.**

Sept. 18. Good attendance, Mrs Le Roy in the chair. A letter was read from one

of our members who, although unable to attend the meetings, is working for Temperance among those with whom she comes in contact. Miss Carter gave an interesting report of the District Convention. Some points in it are to be discussed at our next meeting. Afternoon tea. A vote of thanks to Miss Carter closed an interesting meeting.

**SOUTH DUNEDIN.**

Sept. 18. In the absence of the President, Miss M. S. Powell (Vice-Pres.) occupied the chair. Mrs Shacklock and Miss Powell reported upon the District Convention held at Oamaru. Arrangements made for a "Bring and Buy" social to raise our quota for the Organising Fund, Dunedin members being asked to repeat the dialogue given at Oamaru, "How not to do it, or the way to kill a Union."

**PUKEKOHE.**

Sept. 3. Fair attendance. Mrs Horne appointed delegate to Auckland District Convention. Our day of meeting has been changed to the first Tuesday in the month. Nurse Boyd and the Plunket nurse wrote us a paper on "The Child and Alcohol," neither nurse being able to be present, Mrs Mead read the paper. A hearty vote of thanks to the nurses was carried by acclamation.

**TE KUITI.**

Sept. 9. Mrs Edgar in the chair. Good attendance. Letters received and read re Gaming Bill from Hon. W. Massey, J. C. Rolleston, M.P., and Bollard, M.P.; also letter from Willard Home. A subscription of 10/- was voted to this cause. Letters received from Hamilton and Morrinsville re Convention; also from the Alliance re appeal to young women. The Dorcas Committee distributed clothing to several people. Afternoon tea served.

**NORMANBY.**

Sept. Annual meeting held at Mrs W. Gane's, Mrs Scott in the chair; 14 present. Two initiations. Reports were read and adopted. Election of officers for ensuing year, no change except Treasurer. President read an account from the "Times" of the cordial receptions given everywhere to Mrs Don and Miss Henderson. A dainty afternoon tea was served by our hostess, to whom a hearty vote of thanks was passed.

**AUCKLAND.**

Sept. 9. Mrs Cook presided. The Ladies' Committee of the Young Citizens' League wrote drawing attention to the harmful effect on the young minds of the pictorial advertisements of the picture films, and asking our co-operation in bringing the matter before the proper authorities, requesting that the censorship of the picture films be extended to these advertisements. The members expressed their hearty sympathy and co-operation. Greetings were received from Mrs Don in a letter to our President. Delegates were appointed to the Auckland District Convention. Mrs Fulljames made an appeal for clothes for the Maori children in the North. Members were requested to bring garments to the next meeting. Mrs Moody gave a most interesting address on how the Franchise was gained in New Zealand. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mrs Moody. A collection was taken for the N.Z. Treasury. It was decided to ask Mrs Peryman to print a condensed account of how the franchise was gained in leaflet form, so that they might be passed around to women who do not know of the hard work and opposition which the pioneers of this movement met before the Bill was passed.

**APITI.**

Oct. 2. The President (Mrs Gill) occupied the chair. After the usual devotional exercises, a paper was read on "Child Welfare in its Political Aspect," by the Secretary. This paper dealt with the laws that had been passed for the protection of child life and happiness and the promotion of education during the last hundred years and contrasted the lot of the present day

child with that of past generations. It also stressed the need of removing from their path that which has been the greatest hindrance to health and happiness, strong drink. The recent newspaper reports regarding drinking at dances and other places of amusement were fully discussed by those present, and a committee was formed to inaugurate a Band of Hope among the children.

**PONSONBY.**

Oct. 2. Mrs C. H. Taylor presided. Good attendance. A large number of parcels were brought in for our Willard Orphan Home at Palmerston North. A letter was read from Mrs Judson in reference to a meeting to be held on October 21st to promote the work of the League of Nations. A motion of protest from our members against the Mayor and Council for allowing liquor to be used in the Town Hall. We all feel that this thing should not be permitted. Decided to bring the matter before the N.Z. Alliance. Report of District Convention was then read by Mrs Hodgkinson. Afternoon tea.

**PENROSE.**

Aug. 28. There was a very good attendance. The President (Mrs Smith) presided. Mrs Stevens gave a very interesting paper on "Aims and Objects of the W.C.T.U.," by Mrs Crabb. Vote of thanks passed to speaker, then the meeting closed with prayer. One new member.

Sept. 27. Owing to so much sickness, there were only three members. Mrs Smith presided. Mrs Ashby, who had come over to read us a paper on Convention was asked to read it. It was very interesting. We were very sorry that all the members did not hear it. Vote of thanks was passed to speaker. Meeting closed with prayer.

**SYDENHAM.**

Oct. 2. Small attendance. Mrs Sirett presided. A report of Convention was read by the Secretary. Mrs T. E. Taylor was the speaker for the afternoon. Afternoon tea was served.

**DUNEDIN CENTRAL.**

Report received. Too faintly written to be read. Please write in ink.

**MAORI UNIONS.**

**OTAMATEA.**

Dear Mrs Peryman,— Greetings to you in the Name of the Father, of the Son, of the Holy Spirit, and the Holy Angels. I now have the pleasure of submitting to you for publication in the "White Ribbon" the monthly report of the Otamatea Union.

The meeting took place in Mrs C. Palkea's house on October 1st. The President (Mrs K. Pihema) was in the chair. The meeting was a happy one, and there was a good attendance of members present. A letter was received from Mrs Fulljames asking for an appointed day when she could meet the Presidents of each centre. It was resolved to reply to the letter, asking Mrs Fulljames to appoint a day for the meeting.

The Rev. P. K. Palkea was present at the meeting, and he asked the Union to call a meeting when he could deliver a special address to the young people on Prohibition; and he also promised to give a lecture on "No-License."

The Otamatea Union is gratified to report on the conduct of the young people in this settlement, as far as strong drink is concerned. We attribute this fact to the great work that Mr Ratana is doing amongst the Maori people.

There is a special case we wish to mention, and that is one of our own young men, Rata Wiape. The young man was a source of great trouble to this Union and to the people of this settlement as a whole. In short, he was a great drinker, or rather a heavy drinker. But since Mr Ratana began his work here, this young man has become a total abstainer from strong drink. This is one of the many cases of the young

men who are turning their backs to "The P.D. Whisky." Hence we thank and bless the Holy Trinity and the Holy Angels for the great work Mr Ratana is doing. We believe (D.V.) we shall win "The Day" at the next election. May God help us so to do. Amen.

Yours in the White Ribbon,  
(Mrs) MABEL PAIKEA,  
Hon. Sec. Otamatea W.C.T.U.,  
Batley, Kaipara.

## Y's Column.

### OTAUTAU.

Sept. 2. Good attendance. It was unanimously decided that each member bring a new member next meeting. Two new members were enrolled. On the suggestion of the Superintendent, Mrs Macdonald, it was decided to give a dialogue at the forthcoming Band of Hope social.

### INVERCARGILL.

Sept. 8. Decided to change our meeting nights to the second and fourth Monday in the month. Six delegates to attend the District Convention were appointed. Letters had been received from Mrs Don by several members, and were much enjoyed by all. Reported that a successful concert had been held in Knox Hall. The children from Cameron Home gave a very good Temperance dialogue, which was much appreciated, as were all the other items.

Sept. 22. Miss Finlayson occupied the chair. Decided to send three remits to District Convention. Several members' subscriptions were brought in, also three "White Ribbon" subscribers. A most interesting paper on Mr T. E. Taylor was read by Misses Connor and Matheson, which showed forth his high ideals and untiring zeal for Temperance.

Sept. 24. In St. Paul's Hall, most enjoyable social evening. The newly-elected District President, Mrs McGregor, presided, and was presented with a bouquet. Elocutionary items were given by Mr Miller, also Miss Fraser, a Riverton Y. A dialogue by the children from Cameron Home proved most amusing. Mrs Driver, from Dunedin, gave a most inspiring talk on "Courage," which was much enjoyed. After supper, games, etc., were indulged in, and made the evening pass too quickly.

### DUNEDIN.

Oct. 6. President (Miss A. Gwynne) presided over an attendance of 21 members, nine of whom were new members. A very enjoyable address was delivered by Mrs Hiett, "The Aims of the W.C.T.U." The following appointments were made:—Agent "White Ribbon," Miss Dray; Cor. Sec., Miss Jacobson; Legal and Parliamentary Supt., Miss Botting; Press Reporter, Miss Margt. Duncan. The next meeting of the Union was arranged for Monday, 27th October, in the rooms of the Tailloresses' Union, 26 Dowling Street. The following resolutions were put to the meeting and duly carried:—  
"We emphatically protest against the introduction of liquor licenses in the King Country, and call on the Parliament of New Zealand to stand by the solemn pledge given to the Maoris in 1884, that no alcoholic liquor would ever be allowed in the King Country." "We are alarmed at the increase of drinking amongst women, and as the police report says noticeably young women, and we respectfully ask Parliament to pass a law abolishing bottle departments from licensed premises, and that private and semi-private bars be done away with. We ask this for the sake of young women."

### HASTINGS.

Aug. 26. Large attendance. Decided to hold a progressive Games Evening on September 6th. The subject for the debate was: "Should a Man Marry on 13 Per Week?" Y.M.C.A. took the affirmative, and Y.P.C.T.U. the negative. Mr H. R. French, the Judge, awarded the most points to the Y's.

Sept. 6. Enjoyable games' evening. The first part of the evening took the form of a table game's tournament. Miss W. Darvell gained first place, and was awarded a small trophy. Miss Bradshaw, Organiser, was present. During the evening the Business Committee met to arrange about the forthcoming concert. Decided that the Y.M.C.A. be asked to give their concert in aid of the Y's on the 25th September. The ordinary meeting, which falls on the 23rd September, will be postponed on account of the concert.

Sept. 25. The Y.M.C.A. Concert Party contributed a concert in aid of the funds of the Y Branch of the W.C.T.U. Appreciative reception was accorded the performers. Items were given by Messrs G. Warren, J. Haymes, Walden, Long and Hogan, and Misses Spinks, McKeegan and Brand. The guests were entertained to supper by Y's after the performance. It is understood that the Y's will benefit considerably from this effort.

### NEW BRIGHTON.

Sept. 12. Mrs G. J. Patten in the chair. An excellent gathering of Juniors, also members of the Senior Union. This was the quarterly social night, and there was a good programme of musical items, competitions and games. Our Organiser, Miss Earnshaw was the speaker for the evening, and every one much enjoyed her splendid address. Supper was served.

## AN IDEAL UNION.

The underlying idea is that, just as a chain is no stronger than its weakest link, so no Union is better than its weakest member, and no District Union stronger than the weakest Branch Union.

But if each member of each Branch should endeavour to fulfill the principles expressed in the Acrostic, then the Unions would be Ideal, and the District Union also Ideal.

Inbued with thoughts of good to all concerned,

Determined that our work shall be the Best;

Expecting greatly, and as greatly blessed,

Aspiring to the heights which lie before;

Looking not backwards, but to things beyond;

Upheld and strengthened, toward our goal we go.

Not beaten by attack:

Impelled to press towards the mark  
Of victories; reserved for those who strive,

Nor strive in vain.

—A. U. WRITER.

### TAKE NOTE.

Pocket Testament left in Hall after Petone Convention. Owner can have same by writing to Miss Avison, Fitzherbert Street, Petone.

# N.Z. W.C.T.U. Literature.

Departmental Literature can be obtained as follows:—

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**AUCKLAND Y'S,** 2nd Wednesday each month, 7.30 p.m., in Baptist Tabernacle Classroom. Pres., Mr E. Francis Mills, 46 Kensington Avenue, Mt. Eden; Rec. and Cor. Sec., Miss N. Barry, 6 Lawrence Street, Ponsonby; Assist. Sec., Mr H. Bowls; Vice-Pres., Miss Pyle, Mrs Hugh Kasper; Treas., Mrs Ashton; Supt., Miss J. Morton, Woodley Avenue, Remuera.

**ARAMOHO,** 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs A. Gilmour, 2 Paterson Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs Hallam and Mrs Sleight; Rec. Sec., Mrs Good, 41 Robert's Avenue; Cor. Sec., Mrs Anderson, Quick Avenue; Treas., Miss Gilmour, 2 Paterson Street; W.R. Agent, Miss N. Gilmour, 2 Paterson Street.

**AVONDALE,** 3rd Tuesday, 2 p.m., Brown Street Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs Cook; Cor. Sec., Mrs Beath; Treas., Mrs Avery; W.R. Agent, Mrs Avery.

**ASHBURTON,** 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Baring Square Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs W. T. Lill, Willowby; Joint Secs., Mrs J. Thompson, Wakanui Road, and Miss Tre-Keir, Cameron Street E.; W.R. Agent, Mrs R. Buxton, Cox Street W.

**BIRKENHEAD,** 3rd Thursday, at 2 p.m., at Mrs Le Roy's residence, Hauraki Road. Pres., Mrs Le Roy, Hauraki Road; Rec. Sec., Miss Little, Hinemoa Street; Cor. Sec., Miss R. Hayman, Arawa Street; Treas. and W.R. Agent, Miss R. Le Roy, Hauraki Road.

**BLLENHEIM,** first Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs W. Grigg, The Parsonage; Sec., Mrs Smith, Brook Street, Springlands; Treas., Mr T. Pike, Literature, Mrs Wass; Rest and Refreshment, Mrs A. W. Jackson; W.R. Agent, Mrs W. Pike; Cradle Roll, Mrs A. Mills.

**BLUFF,** 1st Friday, Willard Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs Donaldson, Barrow Street; Sec., Miss Mitchel, Ocean Beach; Cor. Sec., Mrs W. H. Johnston, Foyle Street; Treas., Mrs W. Barber, Foyle Street.

**CARTERTON,** 1st Wednesday, in Salvation Army Barracks, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Every; Sec., Mrs Welch, Pembroke Street; Treas., Mrs August Anderson, High Street; Evangelical Supt., Mrs Tyler; Cradle Roll, Mrs Moore; W.R. Agent, Miss Watterson.

**CAMBRIDGE,** 2nd Thursday in month, in Methodist Schoolroom, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs A. W. Martin, Hamilton Road; Sec., Mrs Elsh, Beer, Stafford Street; Treas., Mrs E. J. Easter, Princes Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs C. H. Bycroft; Cradle Roll, Mrs Whitehouse.

**CHRISTCHURCH,** W.C.T.U. Rooms, 247 Manchester Street, opposite His Majesty's Theatre, 2nd and 4th Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m. Prayer Meeting on the 3rd Wednesday, at 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs T. E. Taylor, Cashmere Hills; Cor. Sec., Mrs Ruth Day, 92 Edward Avenue, St. Albans; Rec. Sec., Miss Bishop, 12 Bealey Street; Treas., Miss M. B. Lovell-Smith, Box 114; Assistant-Treas., Miss Gordon, Holly Lea, Manchester Street; W.R. Supt., Mrs Day, 92 Edward Avenue, St. Albans.

**DANNEVIRKE,** 1st Thursday, Methodist Church, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs Hutchinson, Edward Street; Vice-Pres., Miss Heaton; Sec., Miss Heaton, Cadman Road; Treas., Mrs Sharpley, Princess Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Wright, 227 High Street.

**SOUTH DUNEDIN,** meets 2nd Thursday, at 2.30 p.m., in Wesley Schoolroom, Cargill Road. Pres., Mrs Gilmour, Atkinson Street; Sec., Mrs E. L. Johnson, 36 Baker Street, Caversham; Treas., Mrs Williams, 39 Nelson Street, South Dunedin; W.R. Agent, Mrs J. Shacklock, 6 Catherine Street, Caversham.

**DUNEDIN,** 1st Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., Baptist Sunday School, Hanover Street. President, Mrs Hiett, 264 George St.; Cor. Sec., Miss W. Powell, 120 Cliffs Rd., St. Clair; Rec. Sec., Miss M. S. Powell; Treas., Mrs Macartney, 27 Maier St., Mornington; Parliamentary Supt., Mrs Downing, Anderson's Bay; W.R. Agent, Miss Nicol; Maori, Mrs Romeril; Flower Mission, Mrs Bennett; Juvenile Work, Mrs Gain; Cradle Roll, Mrs Twose; Home Meetings, Library and Press, Mrs Hutton.

**DEVONPORT,** 2nd Thursday, Congregation Church, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Burnett, Albert Road, Devonport; Sec., Mrs Trevurza, 2 Cracroft St., Devonport; Treas., Miss C. Davies, Albert Rd., Devonport; W.R. Agent, Mrs Johnston, Cambria Rd., Devonport; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Brewer, 17 Albert Rd., Devonport; Vice-Pres. Mrs Robinson and Mrs T. Fraser.

**EKETAHUNA,** meets 3rd Thursday, in Me-Pres., Mrs Terry; Vice-Pres., Mrs Smith, Newman Road; Sec., Mrs Norman, Parkville; Treas., Mrs Smith, Newman Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Baillie, Macara Street.

**EDENDALE (Southland),** 1st Thursday, at 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs G. Bridgman, Methodist Manse; Sec., Miss H. Hall; Treas., Miss Cranstoun; W.R. Agent, Mrs Horace Niven.

**EPSOM,** 2nd and 4th Thursdays, at 2.30 p.m., in Baptist Church, York Avenue. Pres., Mrs Neal, Maunsell Road, Parnell; Vice-Pres., Mrs Hayr, Kipling Avenue; Rec. Sec., Miss Gabites, Kipling Avenue; Cor. Sec., Mrs McLeod, Wapiti Avenue; Treas., Mrs Pirrett, Panama Street, Arch Hill; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs McLeod, Wapiti Avenue; Evangelical Supt., Mrs Tucker, Aratonga Avenue, One Tree Hill.

**EDEN,** 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m. Methodist Schoolroom, Dominion Road. Pres., Miss Wilson, Wilford Road, Mt. Eden, Cor. Sec., Mrs Scanlen, 2 Mars Avenue, Edendale N.; Rec. Sec., Mrs Auld, 14 Tenterden Avenue, Mt. Eden; Treas., Mrs Cartwright, Hula Villa, Dominion Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Hudson, Richmond Road, Mt. Eden.

**FIELDING,** 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m., St Paul's Hall. Pres., Mrs Pack, Sandlands Street; Sec., Miss Watt, 17 Grey Street; Treas., Mrs McIntyre, Ranfurly Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Campbell, West Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs Mal; Evangelical Supt., Mrs Tremain.

**GORE,** 4th Tuesday, 3 p.m., Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs E. C. Smith; Sec., Mrs T. Dunlop; Treas., Mrs McAskil; Vice-

Pres., Mesdames Rhodes and Stewart; Cradle Roll, Mrs McAskil; W.R. Agent, Mrs T. Stevenson.

**GREYMOUTH,** Business only last Tuesday. Prayer Meeting, second Tuesday in Sailors' Rest Hall. Pres., —; Vice; Pres., Mesdames Gaskin and Parkinson; Sec., Mrs Mason, Cobden; Treas., Mrs Wilson, Cowper Street; W.R. Agent Mrs Reynolds, Karora.

**GREYTOWN,** last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Sunday School. Pres., Mrs Morrison; Vice-Pres., Mrs R. Anker; Sec., Miss Oates, Wood Street; Treas., Mrs A. Haigh; W.R. Agent, Miss Oates.

**GISBORNE,** last Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., Presbyterian Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Goffe, Ormond Road; Treas., Mrs Reynolds, 188 Gladstone Road.

**HAWERA,** last Thursday, at 3 p.m., in the Methodist Bible Class Room. Pres., Mrs Tait, Waahi Road; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Hill and Bone; Sec., Mrs Haywood, Tawhiti Road; Treas., Mrs Burge, 18 Furlong Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Hulbert, Camberwell Road.

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**HAMILTON,** first Thursday, Wesley Class Rooms, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs J. M. Jones, 52 Te Aroha Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Paul, Mathew, and Gilmour; Treas., Mrs E. J. Davey, London Street; Sec., Mrs Stephenson Craig, Peachgrove Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Boneham.

**INGLEWOOD,** meets last Wednesday, in Methodist Sunday Schoolroom, at 2.15 p.m. Pres., Mrs J. B. Simpson, P.O. Plakau; Sec., Miss Johnston, Kingsdowne; Treas., Mrs Burgess, P.O., Te Tawa.

**INVERCARGILL Y's** meet second and fourth Monday in the month in the Y.M.C.A. Rooms, at 7.30 p.m. President, Miss R. Finlayson, 66 Oteramika Road; Rec. Sec., Miss J. E. Seed, Box 13; Cor. Sec., Miss R. Swale, 7 Grace Street; Treas., Miss W. Cunningham, Nith Street; W.R. Agent, Miss Rita Finlayson.

**INVERCARGILL CENTRAL BRANCH,** 2nd Tuesday, at 2.45 p.m., in the Baptist Church. Pres., Mrs Lillcrap, 57 Earn Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Baird, McKenzie, Boyes, Young, and Carlisle; Sec., Mrs Walker, 232 Conon Street; Treas., Mrs Matheson; W.R. Agent, Mrs Johnston.

**INVERCARGILL SOUTH,** meets every 2nd Tuesday, in St. Peter's Methodist Schoolroom, Elles Road, Enwood, at 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs McGregor; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Pasley, Smart, Fairbairn, Garrett, and Aitken; Rec. Sec., Mrs Parkin; Cor. Sec., Mrs Crozier, 44 Pomona Road; Treas., Nurse Griffiths; W.R. Agent, Mrs Pasley.

**INVERCARGILL NORTH,** Pres., Mrs Hopkirk; Sec., Miss Dewar, 16 Newcastle Street; Treas., Miss Hardie; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Kent.

**KAIAPOI,** W.C.T.U. Assembly Rooms. Union meets last Wednesday in month, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs S. Jackson, Fuller Street; Sec., Mrs Stewart, Raven Street, Treas., Mrs E. Roberts, Meadow Road; W.R. Supt., Mrs Stanton, North Road.

**LOWER HUTT,** 4th Wednesday Church of Christ, Queen Street, at 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs Ballantyne, Belmont Road; Sec., Mrs R. Aldersley, Brunswick Street; Treas., Mrs Baigent, King's Road; Cradle Roll, Mrs Heyes, Brunswick Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Mussen, Pretoria Street.

**MANAIA**, 2nd Tuesday, Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs J. J. Patterson; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Gilbert and Smith; Sec., Mrs C. Hansen; Treas., Miss D. Patterson; Cradle Roll, Mrs Sandford, Manaia Road.

**MAUNGATUROTO**, 3rd Thursday, at Foresters' Hall. Pres., Mrs Wright, Tae Manse; Sec., Mrs L. E. Cullen; Treas., Mrs W. Wallace; W.R. Agent, Miss Healey.

**MASTERTON**, 1st Thursday, Knox Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs J. C. Cocker, Albert Street; Sec., Miss Wingate, Casel Street; Treas., Mrs R. Jamieson, Lincoln Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Wakeham, Te Ore, Ore Road, Lansdowne.

**MORRINSVILLE**, meets 2nd Tuesday, in Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs. Richards, The Manse, Allen St.; Sec., Mrs Cooper, Allen Street, Treas., Mrs Willis, Allen Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Johnstone, Hamilton Road.

**MOSGIEL**, third Tuesday in month, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs E. Bedford, East Talari; Treas., Mrs S. Johnstone, King Street; Sec., Mrs M. H. Wilson, corner of Inglis Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs A. Morton, Forth Street.

**MOTUEKA**, last Wednesday in month, 3 p.m., Methodist Church. Pres., Miss Cresswell, Lower Moutere; Rec. Sec., Miss Teece, Lower Moutere; Cor. Sec., Miss N. Moffatt, High Street, South Moutere; Treas., Mrs Quayle, Atkins Street; W.R. Supt., Mrs F. Cresswell, Lower Moutere.

**NGARUAWAHIA**, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs A. Walkinson; Sec., Mrs J. S. Colhoun; Treas., Mrs C. Rogers; Supt. W.R., Miss E. Walkinson.

**NAPIER**, first Wednesday, in Willard Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs Speight, Port Ahuriri; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Dadds, Leask, and McAllister; Rec. Sec., Mrs Field, Hastings Street Extension; Cor. Sec., Mrs Bull, Chaucer Road; Treas., Mrs Greenaway, 46 Macdonald Street; Evangelistic, Mrs Lodds; Cradle Roll, Mrs Walker; W.R. Agent, Mrs Mens.

**NELSON** District, 2nd Tuesday Methodist School Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Miss Atkinson, Brougham Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Knapp, Watson, Field, and Hunter; Rec. Sec., Mrs Brown, Weka Street; Treas., Miss Cooke, Examiner Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs C. Wilkinson, Grove Street; L.T.L., Mrs Moyes, Grove Street.

**NORMANBY** 2nd Wednesday, 2 p.m., Social Hall. Pres., Mrs Dr. E. Scott, Hawera; Vice-Pres., Mrs Beaver and Mrs Clement; Sec., Miss Anthony, Normanby; Treas., Mrs Meull, Normanby; Cradle Roll, Miss Clement; W.R., Mrs Gene.

**NEW BRIGHTON**, 3rd Thursday, in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Hall, Wainui Street, Bexley; Sec., Mrs Moses, Lonsdale Street; Treas., Mrs Campbell, Estuary Road; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs Read, Parsonage; W.R. Agent, Mrs Whitley, Waverley Street, N.B.; Cradle Roll, Mrs Good.

**NORTH-EAST VALLEY**, 4th Thursday, 2.45 p.m., Young Men's Institute. Pres., Mrs Pear., 4 Pine Hill Terrace; Sec., Miss M. Begg, 45 Selwyn Road; Treas., Mrs Sanders, 43 Frame Street; W.R. Supt., Miss M. Prattley, 131 Main Road.

**NEW PLYMOUTH** last Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Whitley Hall. Pres., Mrs Griffin, Gilbert St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs Craig, "Craigneuk," Powderham St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs Chapman, 496 Devon Street; Treas., Miss Taunt; W.R. Supt., Mrs Dickson, Vogeltown.

**ORMONDVILLE**, 2nd Thursday, at 2.30 p.m. in the Anglican Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Wilson; Vice-Pres., Mrs Small; Sec., Mrs Newling; Treas., Miss Thomasen; W.R. Agent, Mrs Packer.

**OPOTIKI**, 2nd Thursday, St. John's Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs Jas. Thompson; Sec., Mrs J. Gordon; Treas., Mrs M. Downey; W.R. Agent, Mrs Hambly; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Payne.

**OTAHUHU**, meets 1st Thursday, at 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs McDonald, Albert St., Otahuhu; Sec., Mrs W. Taylor, Station Rd.; Treas., Mrs R. Muir, Niger Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs West, Panmure Road.

**OTAUTAU**, meets 2nd Thursday, in Methodist Church, at 3.30. Pres., Mrs J. N. Brown; Sec., Miss Donnan; Treas., Mrs Fisher; W.R. Supt., Mrs E. Harrington.

**OXFORD**, first Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Coronation Hall. Pres., Mrs G. Ryde, Main

Street; Sec., Mrs C. W. Tritt; Treas., Miss Caverhill; W.R. Agent, Mrs D. Hawke; Cradle Roll, Mrs Rol; Evan., Miss N. Gainsford; Flower Mission, Mrs Jamieson; Home Meetings, Mrs T. Gainsford; Notable Days, Mrs Cooper; Evangelistic Supt., Miss Gainsford and Mrs Robertson.

**OAMARU**, 2nd Monday, at Church of Christ Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs J. J. Clarke, Tamer Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Steenson and Hutchinson, Misses Milligan, Wilson, and Stephenson; Sec., Mrs M. E. Blair, Wansbeck Street; Treas., Miss Day, Tees Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Corlett, Eden Street.

**IAHIATUA**, First Thursday in month, Methodist Church, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs J. D. Wilson (Mayoress); Treas., Mrs O. Johnson, Victoria Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Rennie, Riccarton Road; Sec., Miss M. Edmed, D.H. School.

**PALMERSTON NORTH**, 1st and 3rd Friday, St. Andrew's Schoolroom, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs Young, Fitzherbert W.; Cor. Sec., Mrs Collins, Amesbury Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs Hodder, Alan Street; W.R. Supt., Mrs Burrell, 28 Bourke Street.

**PETONE**, 1st Tuesday, Salvation Army Hall, Sydney Street, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs Murgatroyd, Nelson Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Rowse, Collins, McEwan, Corner, and Murgatroyd; Sec., Miss M. Avison, 69 Fitzherbert Street; Treas., Mrs Donoghue, 41 Vivian Street, Wellington; W.R. Agent, Mrs Bradbury, 18 Te Puni Street.

**PICTON**, second Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Church of England, Presbyterian, and Methodist Schoolrooms, alternately. Pres., Mrs Brewer, Auckland Street; Vice-Pres., Miss Harris and Mrs Jackson; Cor. Sec., Mrs Tobell; Rec. Sec., Mrs Millen; Treas., Mrs Powick; Cradle Roll, Miss Powick; Y. Supt., Mrs Burroughs; L.T.L. and W.R., Mrs E. Wells.

**PLEASANT POINT**, meets 1st Wednesday, at 3 p.m., Presbyterian Schoolroom. Pres., Miss Bisnop, Box 18; Sec., Mrs J. T. Gunn, Bridge Road; Treas., Miss C. G. Munro; W.R. Agents, Miss Seaton, Totara Valley, and Miss Amy Neilson, Pleasant Point.

**RAKAI**, meets on the 2nd Thursday, in St. Andrew's Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Boag; Treas., Mrs Judkins; Sec., Mrs Field.

**RICHMOND** (Nelson), 3rd Tuesday, 3 p.m., Baptist Church. Pres., Miss Tarrant; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Cropp, Fittall, and Oliver Sutton; Sec., Mrs Crabtree, Gladstone Road; Treas., Mrs L. Sutton; W.R. Agent, Miss Dyson, "Althorpe."

**RIVERTON**, meets 1st Monday, in Committee Room, More's Hall, at 7.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs E. H. Gray; Sec., Miss J. M. McGregor; Treas., Mrs J. Cassels; W.R. Agent, Mrs J. Green.

**STRATFORD**, 4th Friday, 3 p.m., Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs J. McAllister, Vice-Pres., Mesdames Lilley and Phillips; Sec., Mrs Abraham; Treas., Miss Lilley, Juliet Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs Ellis; W.R. Agent, Mrs D. Clarke, Orlando Street.

**SAWYER'S BAY**, 4th Tuesday, in Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs Hudson; Rec. Sec., Mrs Waitis; Cor. Sec., Mrs Hudson; Treas., Mrs Findlay; W.R. Agent, Mrs J. Perry; Supts. Cradle Roll, Mrs Cook and Miss Andrews.

**SYDENHAM**, first Thursday, in Elgin Street Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Sirott; Sec., Mrs Gillard; Treas., Mrs Gillard; W.R. Agent, Mrs Clay.

**TE KUITI**, meets 2nd Tuesday in month, at 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian Vestry. Pres., Mrs Edgar, Waitete Road; Sec., Mrs G. Elliott; Treas., Mrs J. Nicholls, Matai Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Hill.

**TAURANGA**, meets every 3rd Friday, in Methodist Hall, at 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs Carlton Smith, "The Knoll," 11th Avenue; Rec. Sec., Mrs York, 1st Avenue; Cor. Sec., Mrs Castles, 3rd Avenue; Treas., Mrs Teasey, Edgecumbe Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs W. Foxcroft, Cameron Road.

**TAKAPUNA**, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m., meets at Methodist, Baptist, and Presbyterian Churches alternately. Pres., Mrs Penning, East Coast Road; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Bayes and Lewins; Sec., Miss Rushbrook, Dodson Avenue; Treas., Miss Mills, Earnock Avenue; Cradle Roll, Mrs Winstone; W.R. Agent, Mrs Morgan.

**TEMUKA**, meets 1st Friday, 3 p.m. Pres., Nurse Cameron, c/o Mrs Sims, Allnutt Street; Sec., Mrs E. Blackmore, St. Leonards; Treas., Miss E. Greaves, King Street; Rest Room Supt., Miss G. Hancox, King Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Wilson, c/o Bramwell Booth Boys' Home.

**TIMARU**, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Sailors' Rest. Pres., Mrs Norrie, c/o A. C. Martin, Esq., Beverley Road; Sec., Mrs M. Minife, 11 Roslyn Terrace; Treas., Miss Pearson, 23 Turnbull Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs J. R. King, 118 North Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Cave, Raymond Street; Scientific Temperance, Mrs Odell, Arthur Street.

**WAIMATE**, 2nd Wednesday, in Knox Church Hall, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Kippenberger, Studholme; Rec. Sec., Mrs Scott, Junction Road; Cor. Sec., Mrs Harold Eayman, Willowbridge; Treas., Mrs Roy, Waituna; W.R. Agent, Mrs G. H. Graham, Rhodes Street.

**WAITARA**, Knox Church, 3rd Friday, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Andrews Brixton; Sec., Mrs Jensen, Brown Street; Treas., Mrs Hughson, Cracroft Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Hingley, Blake Street.

**WAIKAWA**, 4th Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs Hugh McLean, Waverley Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Neal, Robertson, and Bott; Sec., Mrs James Bibby, Rose Street; Treas., Miss Johnson, Rose Street; W.R. Supt., Miss Bibby.

**WAIKURAU**, 2nd Friday, Methodist Church Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs Gore; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Harding and Major; Sec., Mrs Reid; Treas., Mrs Robinson; W.R. Agent, Mrs Smales.

**WANGANUI CENTRAL**, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Trinity Church Parlour. Pres., Mrs Goodley, 26 College Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs Upton, 165 Avenue; Rec. Sec., Mrs Reed, Nelson Street; Treas., Mrs Warwick, St. John's Hill; W.R. Agent, Mrs J. Grant, 53 Plymouth Street.

**WANGANUI EAST**, meets 2nd Thursday, at 2.30 p.m., in St. Alban's Church. Pres., Mrs A. Duxfield, Okoia, Wanganui; Sec. and Treas., Mrs W. J. Andrew, 91 Jellicoe Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs E. Frethey, Nile Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Beady, Brown and McLeod; W.R. Agent, Mrs Melvin, Young Street; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Elba, Helmore Street.

**WAVERLEY**, first Thursday, in W.C.T.U. Rest Room, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Adlam; Sec., Mrs Wall; Treas., Mrs R. Johnstone, Gloag Street; Rec. Sec., Miss Grantham; Rest Room Sec., Miss Muir; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Barrow.

**WELLINGTON SOUTH**, 1st Thursday, 2.45 p.m., Rooms, Constable Street. Pres., Mrs Wright, 127 Constable Street; Sec., Mrs Webb, 37 Hall Street; Treas., Miss Boxall, 40 Pirie Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Moller, 6 Burwah Street. Y Branch Rooms, alternate Thursdays, at 8 p.m.

**WELLINGTON CENTRAL**, 3rd Wednesday, 3 p.m., Y.M.C.A. Rooms, Willis Street. Pres., Miss Kirk, Pirie Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Caughley, McDonald, Harry, Dawson and Holland; Cor. Sec., Mrs J. Costin Webb, Talavera Terrace; Rec. Sec., Miss Thompson; Treas., Mrs Helyer, 148 Oriental Bay; W.R. Supt., Mrs Caughley.

**WHANGAREI**, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Baptist Church. Pres., Mrs Goodall; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Galpin, Lochore, Sampson, and Curtis; Sec., Mrs Furness, Manse Street; Asst. Sec., Miss Hilford; Treas., Mrs R. Gibson; W.R. Supt., Mrs J. McKinnon; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs C. R. Lovatt; Maori Work Supt., Miss Dreadon; Press Reporter, Mrs Curtis; L.T.L., Mrs W. Goodall.

**WINCHMORE**, 2nd Wednesday, alternately at Greenstreet and Winchmore. Pres., Mrs Robinson; Sec., Mrs W. Bennett, "Daylesford," Winchmore; Treas. and W.R. Agent, Mrs W. Bennett, Winchmore.

**WOOLSTON-OPAWA UNION**, meets 1st Tuesday, in the Methodist Schoolroom, Opawa, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs A. D. Jenkins, 9 Westby Street, Opawa; Hon. Sec., Mrs. Morley Palmer, 8 Ensors Rd., Opawa; Hon. Treas., Mrs T. W. West, 26 Opawa Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs R. H. Turner, Murray Aynsley Terrace, Opawa.