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MEDICAL OPINION ON ALCOHOL.

Some time ago, realising the importance of understanding the action of alcohol upon the human frame, and knowing that the general public had a right to look to the medical profession for expert advice, the "Practitioner," the leading monthly Medical Journal, published a "Special Alcohol Number."

In this volume they publish articles by leading men in the profession in the Mother Country, and as the Editor says, the writers of these various articles are undoubtedly the most eminent company ever assembled within the covers of a medical journal.

Many of our White Ribboners are busy mothers of families, and comparatively few are women of leisure. Some of the articles are long, some are highly technical, but that this expert testimony should be given to our readers just at this time, we feel is very necessary.

We have not attempted to condense, but have just quoted the sentences in which these experts have given their summarised opinion upon different points. If it stimulates some to read the entire articles, they will be the gainers. The first is a short article by the Editor.

EDITORIAL.

"The subject of our present issue is one of supreme importance to civilised humanity and—as a national question—is of momentous concern to every class of the community."

"At this juncture, when the need of an authoritative exposition of the really intrinsic features of the question is felt by all thinking people who are genuinely concerned for the well-being of the present generation and the future of the race, when a fresh attempt to solve the baffling problem and discover a way to the equitable re-adjustment of their harassing political inheritance is recognised by conscientious statesmen as a responsibility which cannot long be evaded, it is essential that an arraignment of the facts be made by medical authorities who have studied the subject under all conditions."

"And the article closes thus:—

"We desire sincerely to thank our distinguished contributors—undoubtedly the most eminent company ever assembled within the covers of a medical journal."

In the following articles the extracts made are verbatim, and every writer is speaking for himself.

ALCOHOL IN MEDICINE.

(By Sir Humphrey Rolleston Bart, President Royal College of Physicians, of London.)

"Medicine, like civics, is prone to fashion; three generations ago bleeding was going out of favour to be succeeded in due course by R. B. Todd's alcoholic stimulation, which in its turn, waned long ago, as is shown by the practice and alcohol bills of the hospitals."

"From the bulk of physiological investigations on the action of alcohol, it appears that alcohol is a depressant rather than a stimulant, and that its effects are more likely to be injurious than beneficial."

"Numerous experiments prove that alcohol impairs resistance to infection."

It is not chimerical to throw out a warning that a latent craving for alcohol or a psychosis which would otherwise not have developed, may be activated by the medicinal administration of alcohol after acute disease."

"Alcoholic drinks should be employed with great caution on account of the danger of converting the individual into an addict."

THE SOCIAL ASPECT OF THE ALCOHOL PROBLEM.

(By Sir Arthur Newsholme, K.C.B., M.D., F.R.C.S.)

"The amount spent on drink in 1923 was equal to the total interest on the National Debt; it was more than the aggregate amount spent on imperial defence, education, and national health, including unemployment insurance; it was four times as much as was spent on war pensions; and more than four times as much as the aggregate amount spent on the relief of the poor, and old age pensions. The amount spent on drink, would have paid the rental of every house, farm, shop, factory and estate, in Great Britain. Evidently, then, there need be no housing problem were there is no drink problem."

"At the working years of life, 25-65, in England and Wales, 951 more men annually die among those engaged in manufacturing and retailing alcoholic drinks, than die among the same number of men otherwise occupied. Life Insurance and Friendly Society experience tells a similar story. Among abstainers the death-rate is lower at nearly every age-group than among

non-abstainers. Experience shows that abstainers are less liable to accident, and recover more rapidly from the effects of accident than others . . . The Royal Commission on Venereal Diseases (1916) summed up as follows:—"Abundant evidence was given as to the intimate relation between alcohol and venereal disease. Decrease in the use of alcohol will be an important factor in diminishing the prevalence of venereal disease."

"It is clear from the varying evidence of infant mortality in different wards of towns, and in different towns, that an intimate relationship exists between alcoholic indulgence in parents and high mortality among their children, or permanent deterioration in health and physique of the surviving children."

ALCOHOL AND INSANITY.

(By Sir Frederick Mott, K.B.E., M.D., F.R.S., F.R.C.P.)

"Chronic alcoholism is the cause of a considerable proportion of the suicide in this country, probably of as much as a fifth of the total amount. Chronic intoxication is responsible for about three-fifths of the homicidal

crimes in England, and that in rather less than half the cases of sexual crime either chronic alcoholism or simple drunkenness is the causal condition, the latter being more usual in rape on adults, while the violation of children is more often an offence of the chronic drunkard."

ALCOHOL IN ITS RELATION TO LIFE ASSURANCES.

(By Sir Richard Douglas Powell Bart, K.C.V.D., M.D., L.L.D., F.R.C.P.)

"Alcohol is of little value as an habitual food and cannot be taken as such without the special disadvantages and dangers of its action as a drug."

"The great point to bear in mind is the frequency with which alcohol is taken. Thus, the 'nipping' habit, in which it is taken, although it may be in small doses, several times a day, some of them necessarily without food, is the worst form of alcoholism short of gross excess, from the longevity point of view; since there has been no time for the removal of the alcohol, and the blood and tissues are subjected to its influence throughout the day."

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs Caughley.

With startling suddenness came the call to our White Ribbon sister, and it seems hard to realise that she has gone from among us.

Mrs Caughley was a member of Wellington Central Union, an ardent prohibitionist and a devoted worker in the cause of Temperance and Social Reform. She was a delegate to the Hamilton Convention, and took a very keen and intelligent interest in all the business of the Convention. She was for some time White Ribbon Agent for her Union, and was keen to help our official organ.

The report of Wellington Central in this issue is from her pen. On Saturday, November 5th, she opened the Sale of Work for Miramar Union, and several present remarked upon how well and happy she was looking. It was a most pleasant function, and will be tenderly held in memory by all present, as the last service that our sister rendered to the Union she loved. On Sunday morning, with Mr Caughley and members of her family, she was motoring home from the morning service, when, in one tragic moment she was called to enter the unseen. A cyclist on the road, Mr Caughley turned the car aside to avoid him, when it ran off the road, down the sloping bank. Mrs Caughley

was so badly injured that she died before reaching the hospital.



We expected to lose her for a time when she went to Fiji, where Mr Caughley is taking up a position as Director of Education. But God willed otherwise, and she has gone from us for ever.

Mrs Caughley was a gentle, quiet influence for good wherever she went, and will be much missed.

To Mr Caughley and family we tender our sincerest sympathy, and the staff of the White Ribbon will long mourn the loss of a friend and fellow-worker.

Mrs Evans, Dominion Recording Secretary, represented the Dominion W.C.T.U. at the funeral, and Mrs Mowlem and Miss Kirk, Presidents, the local Unions.

Last month, one of Hawera's members, Mrs E. F. Burge, was called "Home" after many months of suffering, yet when visited by her friends she was always so bright. She leaves a husband and young daughter. At the funeral of our late sister, many W.C.T.U. members followed to the cemetery, and our President recited the Crusade Psalm after the service.

MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN.

Lawrence reports increase of 11 members, and Dunedin 7 new members during the month.

The only way for a nation to get rid of criminals is to stop having them. You can fling a few of them in prison, hang a few and how much further are you than in the beginning? There is only a new crop coming along. The business of the church is to begin right at the beginning and to train its childhood so that it may become worthy citizenry of the country.—Dr. William S. Bovard.

MAORI PAGE.



Last month, Mrs Simons visited in the Wairarapa and Otaki Districts, teaching and speaking on the work of the W.C.T.U., and initiating new members. She also visited Wellington and Palmerston North for "Maori Day." Unions formed at Poutu and Manawatu Heads. For Maori Rules, please apply, Mrs Horace Chisholm, Palm Grove, Berhampore, Wellington. A free copy of these given to all Unions; extra copies 4d. each.

N. F. WALKER,

Upper Fox St., Gisborne.

ORGANISER'S REPORT.

Enga teina engā tuakana tena koutou inga mana—kitanga maha ate Matua nui ite Rangi.

Oct. 1st.—Ka hoki mai ahau i Wairarapa motaku mitini ki Hokio. He nuinui nga patai ate hunga tane motenei take. Ka utua nga patai irunga ite Rangimarie ka haina e 5 wahine 1 tane.

3rd.—Otaki. He mitini mea karanga nate Rangitira o Ngati raukawa. I hui mai nga wahine. Ite taimaha otenei take kia ratou. Waiho ana me whiri-whiri.

8th.—Katae mana ko Mrs Peryman ki Manawatu Heads. He nui nga mihi ate iwi motenei wahine iana whakamarama motenei mahi. Ehaere ana tenei wahine kote take kitetahi ringa kote paipera kitetahi. Ka whakaurua emana e 6 mema hon.

9th.—Ka haina ano e 4 mema hon. Katu te Uniana ote Wharangi. 10 wahine, 5 tane.

10th.—Otaki. He kite kite ite iwi mate awhina ano inga turoro.

12th.—I Poneke.

13th.—Ite mitini ate Uniana Pakeha mote Maori Day. Naku te

whai korero mote ahua ote mahi kia tatou kite taha Maori.

14th.—Katae ki Palmerston North he whai korero ano naku mote Maori Day. Kihai itae ki New Plymouth. Ite nui ano onga mahi otenei takiwa.

15th.—I Otaki iaku raru raru. Mete haere ano inga takiwa.

22nd.—Katae ki Shannon.

23rd.—He mitini i Poutu Pah. Pai tonu nga take itakoto hei whakamarama. Ka haina 4 wahine, 1 tane.

24th.—Ka hui ki Shannon kite whakamarama inga mahi ate W.C.T.U. Ka haina e 3 mema hon. Ka tu te Uniana o Poutu e 8 mema.

26th.—I Poneke taone kinga mahi ote Uniana.

29th.—I Foxton ite ripoata inga mahi otenei takiwa.

30th.—Kua hiki te ra mitini ate W.C.T.U. ote Wharangi inga raru raru ipa kite tumuaki mete heke-retari.

31st.—Ka haere kite whakamarama inga mahi mote ra hui hui ote Uniana o Poutu. Tana ra hui kote Taite tuatahi ote Marama.

Kati nei kahore ano ahau ituhuru ko hea a noema nei.

Na ta koutou mokai.

HINERANGI SIMONS,

C/o. Rev. Te Muera,

Kirk Street, Otaki.

P.S.—Maku hei tuku atu kinga Uniana he kape onga ture ipahitia ite hui ki Akarana katahi ano ka oti te perehi. Kite hiahia ki etahi atu me tuhi kia Mrs H. Chisholm, 9 Palm Grove, Berhampore, Wellington.

4d. ite kape kotahi.

GREYTOWN.

Oct. 26th.—Itu tomatou hui, kite whare Kura onga Presbyterian e 4 nga mema itae mai. Timuaki i whakatuwhera kite inoi, M. Samuels. Himene henui te pai otenei hui. Ka whakamutungia tomatou hui Na Pane Eremika te inoi.

Enga tuakana, tena koutou, me to tatou Organiser ara a Hinerangi Simons itu he Shop Day nua matou ite 28 onga ra o October. He rete me nga keke, i hokongia, e Rua Pauna e 4 hereni e 3 Kopa te moni i riri mai, he nui te whakapiki ote Timuaki—Pakeha ara a Mrs H. Morrison, Parcel nana i homai i hokongia mo te 6/- Heoi ano.

NA MONICA SAMUELS,

Secretary.

POUTU (Shannon).

Nov. 3rd.—The Poutu Maori Union held their meeting in the Methodist Sunday School Room, in Shannon; good attendance. Members from Te Wharangi Branch were present, also Mrs Simons, Maori Organiser. Meeting opened with prayer by Mrs Simons. Officers were elected:—President, Mrs A. Nepia, Shannon; Secretary, Miss Wekehia, Box 19, Shannon; Treasurer, Hekenui, Poutu. Capitation Fee paid. Mrs Eparaima, President of Te Wharangi Union, gave an inspiring address to her Sister Union, of how she linked

up with this work, how it touches her heart; she wished the young Secretaries to learn all they can about the work, to take it to heart, and to help one another to wipe out the Waipiro. The Chief Eparaima, a member, would like our Maori Organiser to have another meeting with us before she leaves the district, and will call a special meeting at Koputaroa for the 9th inst. The President replied and thanked all those present, and hoped to carry out all the teaching about the work. She did hope the younger members would take the advice of Mrs Eparaima. They must work together and do their best.

Decided to meet at Koputaroa on November 9th. Initiated a new member for Poutu Union. Meeting closed with hymn (Maori) "Tama Ngakau Marie," and prayer by Mrs Simons.

FRANKTON.

Sept. Owing to much sickness no meeting together, but Mrs Jones visited each member.

Oct. 7. Meeting held at Mrs Kihī; business discussed, suggestions to help the poor. Hospital patients had been visited.

L.T.L.

Meetings held regularly. October meeting conducted by Mrs Paki.

PLEASE READ THIS.

Our Business Manager has been going over back files of White Ribbon, and finds that they are very incomplete in the early years. If any of the early subscribers can help us to complete these files, we shall be very grateful to them. The numbers missing are:—

1895.—June.

1896.—June, July, Aug, Sept., Nov. and Dec.

1897.—Feb., May, July, Aug., Sept., Oct. and Nov.

1898.—Jan., Feb., May, Sept. and Dec.

1899.—Feb., May, June, July and Dec.

1900.—Feb., April, Aug., Sept., Oct., Nov. and Dec.

1901.—Jan., Mar., May, June, July, Aug., Oct. and Dec.

1902.—Feb. Mar., May, June, July and Aug.

1903.—Mar. and May.

1904.—June and Nov.

1906.—July and Sept.

1905 is complete, and from

1907 onward, the files are complete..

AUCKLAND DISTRICT CONVENTION.

The Annual District Convention was held in Whangarei on October 4th and 5th, in the Methodist Hall. Upon their arrival by the afternoon train, the delegates were entertained by the local branch to afternoon tea. An Executive meeting was held immediately after. In the evening, a civic welcome was accorded the delegates. The chair was taken by the Mayor (Mr Brake) and prayer was offered by the Rev. G. Lochore. In his address, the Mayor emphasised the national influence of the work that the W.C.T.U. were doing to uplift humanity, and referred particularly to the number of public posts that had of recent years been made available to women. The appointment of women Justices of the Peace was a forward step.

Mrs Goodall, President of the local branch, welcomed the visitors.

The Rev. Knowles Kempton spoke on behalf of the Ministers' Association.

Mrs A. D. Jack extended a welcome on behalf of the Whangarei Women's Club.

Mrs Holmes spoke on behalf of the Civic League.

Mr O. P. Owen said a few words of welcome on behalf of the Y.M.C.A.

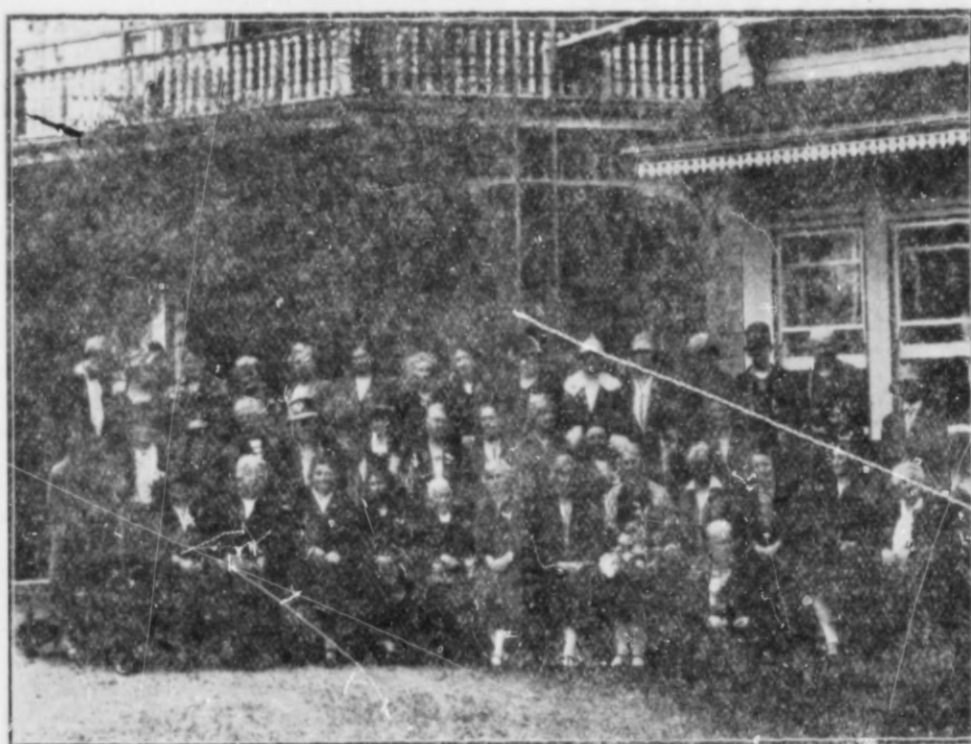
Mrs Benfell (District President) expressed warm thanks for the welcome accorded them.

Mrs T. E. Taylor (National President) thanked the people of Whangarei, and congratulated the local branch upon having attracted such a large assembly, the attendance being the largest at any District Convention.

During the evening, the Methodist Choir sang an anthem, and Mrs Megson sang two solos.

Bouquets were handed to the Mayoress and Mesdames Taylor and Benfell.

The business session opened on Wednesday, 10 a.m. Mrs Benfell (President) was in the chair. The devotions were led by Mrs Goodall, President of Whangarei. Fifty-one delegates answered the roll call. A fair number of visitors were present. Minutes of the Executive meeting were read. Mrs Hillis was appointed Mistress of Courtesies, and Mrs J. Williams Reporter for White Ribbon.



DELEGATES TO AUCKLAND DISTRICT CONVENTION.

The Secretary's report showed an increased membership, the total being 27 Adult Unions with 1055 members, and 3 Y. Branches with 172 members. Mt. Albert (Adult) and Kohimarama Y's. are new branches. Twenty-two branches were represented at Convention, and all sent reports with the exception of Port Albert and Rawene. The Secretary's report was warmly received.

The Treasurer's report and balance-sheet showed a credit balance of £45 1s. 3½d. The report was adopted.

The President's address was based upon the story of Nehemiah, which showed the story of a fight against odds, and of a final victory. The President, in reviewing the work of the past year, said that believing prayer was their weapon and their shield, and by using this weapon, the day will come, when, with Nehemiah we will say: "So the wall was finished and all our enemies were much cast down in their own eyes, for they perceived that the work was wrought of our God."

The reports of several branches were read. Mrs T. E. Taylor conducted the Noon-tide hour. Votes of Sympathy were passed with the relatives of Rev. Ready, Rev. Aldridge, Mr McDermott, Mrs Ruff, Mrs Simpkins, Mrs Martindale, Mr Taylor and Mr Worsley. A vote of thanks was accorded Mr W. Pirrett for auditing books.

The afternoon session was opened by Mrs Fenton, President of Eden. After roll call, the minutes of the morning session were read and confirmed. The following resolutions passed at the Dominion Convention were confirmed:—

1. That in the opinion of this Convention, the time has come when Women Police should be employed in New Zealand.

2. That in the opinion of this Convention, legislation should be introduced, whereby special Domestic Courts may be set up for hearing cases of Separation, Maintenance and Affiliation.

3. That in the interest of the health and efficiency of hospital nurses, Hospital Boards be urged to establish a six-day week, instead of a seven-day week, eight hours daily, at present in force for nurses in some hospitals.

4. That Government be again urged to give effect to the recommendations of the Committee of Enquiry into Mental Defectives and Sexual Offenders.

5. That Parliament be urged to pass Legislation, providing for the inclusion of women in Juries.

6. That in cases where men are committed to gaol for non-compliance with maintenance orders, provision shall be made for their immediate employment upon remunerative work, and for their earnings to be applied to the maintenance of their dependants.

7. That in the opinion of this Convention, a system of invalid pensions should be established.

8. That a motor car driver convicted of being under the influence of liquor, have a prohibition order issued against him, and for a further offence have his license cancelled for twelve months.

9. That in the opinion of this Convention, newspapers should be prohibited from publishing the details of such cases as those, in which mothers, in a state of mental unbalance murder, or attempt to murder, their children.

10. That a stricter Censorship be exercised over motion pictures shown to young children.

11. That this Convention expressed its belief that the present system of compulsory Military Training is the main cause of the existence of the military spirit manifested in the community, especially in the minds of the young, and constitutes the greatest hindrance to the cause of peace. It would therefore urge its branches and its individual Members to use all their influence, and to work unceasingly for the abolition of the same, and for the institution of a system of compulsory physical training in its place.

The following remit was moved by Mrs Pirrett, to be sent to the New Zealand Executive for consideration: "That in the opinion of this Convention, it would be in the best interests of Child Welfare in New Zealand, that the Child Welfare Branch of the Education Department should be separated from the Education Department, and become a separate and distinct department under a directly responsible minister in charge."

Mrs T. E. Taylor addressed Convention, taking as her subject, "Women's Emancipation." The election of officers resulted as follows:—Pres., Mrs N. Benfell (re-elected); Vice-Pres., Mrs Finch (re-elected); Cor. Secretary, Mrs J. Williams (re-elected); Rec. Secretary, Miss Read; Treas., Mrs W. Taylor (re-elected).

District Superintendents of Departments were appointed for:—Cradle Roll (Mrs Chandler); L.T.L., Band of Hope, and Y's. (Mrs Kasper); Peace and Arbitration (Mrs Judson); School of Methods (Mrs Williams).

The Convention was concluded in the Baptist Church, on Wednesday

evening, the Church being filled. A Model W.C.T.U. meeting was given, with an address on the Constitution by Mrs Neal. Five addresses (4 minutes) on "What our Women can do to Win Prohibition," were given by Mesdames Finch, Kasper, Lovett, Vyle, and Miss Read; Miss Vyle, of Whangarei, gaining the prize.

Five suggestions of (2 minutes) on "How to Interest Young People," were given by Mesdames Fenton, Pirrett, Todd, Kasper, and Miss Dulcie Lees; the prize being awarded to Miss Lees, Y. delegate for Auckland. Votes of thanks were passed to all who had helped to make the Convention a success.

Convention closed with the Temperance Doxology and the Benediction.

STOCKINGS.

October 31st, 1927.

Dear Readers,—

I want to thank all who in response to the appeal in White Ribbon, sent large and small parcels of Stockings to make garments for Indian children. On Saturday, I posted the last parcel to arrive in time for Christmas presents. From January of this year to above date (377) three hundred and seventy-seven garments were distributed between the Ramabai Mukti Mission, the Sholapur Penal Settlement, Pandarphur and a Baptist Mission, and thanks to your generous response, there is sufficient material to work on for many weeks to come. All other than stocking legs was immediately passed on to the Dominion Stocking League, who will gratefully utilise every scrap.

Will the writers of letters signed and anonymous, please accept this as an answer. The suggestions that a sample be sent to each Union is not workable, time and expense would be considerable.

Will every donor of stockings sent, and to be sent in the future, please accept my warmest thanks. I hope the fact that you made it possible to provide a little warmth for so many children, will be a sufficient reward.

On their behalf, I am,

Gratefully yours,

RACHEL DON,

5 Bellevue St., Roslyn, Dunedin.

A WANDERING WHITE RIBBONER.

To Editor,

White "Ribbon."

Dear Madam,—

"New Zealand" had a very hearty reception at the National U.S.A. Convention, August 23rd to September 1st, where I was guest of the Convention.

Mrs Armour remembered New Zealand, and sent many personal messages of love and good cheer. I conducted one Noon-Tide Hour and gave greetings from New Zealand at World's Night. I am sure it would cheer you all if you could have heard the deafening applause New Zealand got from over 5,000 people.

The President asked me to convey to New Zealand W.C.T.U., "a message of love and grateful thanks for your greetings."

I am in Canada now, giving all the time I can to find out about Government Control; so far as I can see and hear from the heads of departments, business men, doctors, lawyers, judges and clergymen, all feel it is a great failure. Many doubt if it is any better than the open saloon.

I have posted literature to several, to let them see how it is a failure in Canada; do hope our people will understand this before our next poll, and not cheat us out of our Prohibition this time.

Very sincerely yours,

MARY LEASK.

WORTH WORKING FOR.

If the drink curse could be utterly wiped out of the world to-night, humanity would wake up in the morning with half its sorrows and sufferings gone.—Hall Caine.

BOOKS!

To those who love their garden, the books of Mr Cran will be a delight. They vary in price from 4/6 for The Garden of Ignorance; 7/- for the Story of My Ruin. Then Mr French reports that the Yorkshire Stories of W. Riley, Men of Mawn, a Yorkshire Suburb, Windyridge, etc., are not only available in the 2/6 editions, but also in larger and illustrated editions at 4/6.

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PARLIAMENT! PARLER—TO TALK.

And verily hath our House lived up to its name; endless has been the stream of talk. Truly, never did any much-pilloried Woman's Sewing Circle talk more and do less than this supposedly great and learned Assembly.

But the difference when any definite action was required. The Religious Exercises Bill, a measure of great importance was shelved. This Bill may not have been the best way to deal with the question of

Bible-in-Schools, but it was an honest attempt to give the great majority of parents what they desire, viz., that their children should read the Bible in our Public Schools. As such, it was entitled to their best consideration, either to amend it or pass it. But what did they do? Postpone it for six months, that they might have an opportunity to study a system of Bible reading which has been in vogue in this Dominion for almost half a century. Surely, considering the years this has been a burning subject, the questions asked them, and promises required from them by their constituents, our M.P's. might have acquainted themselves with the system. It has worked excellently wherever tried, its one drawback being the difficulty of carrying it out in scattered districts where there are no resident clergy.

The way this Bill was treated was a credit, neither to the intellects or the hearts of our M.P's.

And now comes the long-promised Licensing Bill. Is it to meet a similar fate? Admittedly a one-man Bill, the Premier admitting sole responsibility for the measure. He carefully refrained from telling us why Cabinet was not consulted. Surely a measure like this was entitled to receive the combined wisdom of the Cabinet.

And what an Irish Stew of a Bill, a little meat, a dash of salt, a taste of onion, intended doubtless to please all palates and consequently pleasing none.

A Two-Issue Ballot Paper, but an undemocratic majority. Why this extreme reluctance to give the people a straight-out issue, and let the majority decide? The wiseacres who prate about prohibition requiring a substantial majority, probably don't realise that Continuance has not had a majority for many a long year—the trade exists and carries on its tragic work by a majority vote. In 1911, Prohibition won by a splendid majority, and always it has been first past the post on a Three-Issue Ballot Paper. Has the time not arrived when every Society, Church and Union, which stands for moral righteousness, should band together, and in the strength of Jehovah drive from office and from our Legislative Halls the men, no matter what party they belong to, who refuse to trust the people upon a question so

vital to the welfare of our nation and race.

Surely the women of this land will never again submit to the indignity of allowing nine votes cast by liquor sellers and those interested in the trade, to equal eleven votes cast by mothers interested in the welfare of the children. It will be interesting to watch developments.

Will our sapient members thrash this question out and find a solution "even if it takes to Xmas," or will they shirk their responsibility upon this question as they did upon another great moral issue.

NEWS OF DR. MARY ARMOUR.

The following extracts from a letter written by Dr. Mary Armour, will be of interest to our readers:—

"First I want to say I was so struck with your heading for your Evangelistic Department, I thought of writing and asking you if I might copy it. It is lovely and so very significant.

"I still get the White Ribbon, and enjoy it immensely. Have been thinking for the longest time that I would send Mrs Peryman a few lines for publication, but have never seemed to be able to get to it. I travel and lecture continually, and try to keep my department going besides, and you can imagine what a load I carry.

"I believe with all my heart, that where we are failing in our work (when we do fail), is in not praying enough. I was so struck with some words from Dr. Joseph Parker, that I pass them on to you: 'When the Church forgets to put on her beautiful garments of holiness, tho' it be made up of a thousand Sampsons it cannot strike one blow at the enemy. Count the Church by the volume of its prayers; register the strength of the Church by the purity and completeness of its consecration. If you number the Church in millions and tell not what it is at the altar of the cross, you but return a census of a cemetery, not the statistics of a living, mighty, irresistible host. Genius is nothing, learning is nothing, organisation is but a sarcasm and an irony, apart from that which gives every one of them value and force—the praying heart and the trustful spirit.'

"When I fail in what I undertake, I know I either did not work hard enough or I did not pray hard enough.

"We live in this wonderful marble region, and the marble works fascinate me and teach me a lesson every time I visit them. They have a machine in which a man sits and lifts blocks of marble weighing ten thousand, thirty thousand, forty thousand, fifty thousand pounds—all with equal ease, and no more effort than it takes for me, in my own strength, to lift a pound. The work is done by electricity as you have guessed. Well, every time I go there I think that when we try to do things without praying, it is as foolish as if those men all got round one of those huge blocks and tried to lift it without turning on the power, and I resolve anew to **turn on the power.**

"We had a most wonderful Convention, which I will not try to tell you about, as you get the Union Signal. Our preliminary devotional meeting was great.

"Heaven came down our souls to greet,
And glory crowned the mercy seat."

"There was not room for all who wanted to get in. Then when I 'preached the Convention Sermon' on Sunday, p.m., the house was packed. I spoke from 2 Peter 1; 5, 6, and 7, on character building."

SUPERINTENDENT'S LETTERS.

Dear Sisters,

As the year 1927 is drawing to an end, I want every member to see that its Treasurer gives them the official receipt for their yearly subscription. Don't let the year close without your subscription being paid, as we want everyone to close this year financial, and make our membership larger than it's ever been. Will all Treasurers' please secure an official Receipt Book from me; they are 1s. 6d. each, and will save you a lot of time of writing and explanation, as each receipt contains full details of our subscriptions.

This letter seems just for the Treasurers, but please don't think

that. It is for every member of the W.C.T.U. Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest the Literature Column, as the new Literature prices are there, also some alterations in prices to the other literature.

Will all of you see that you have at least three White Bows, so you can have one on your coat as well as your two dresses, then you won't be forgetting to put it on in the last rush of going out. I have plenty of tie pins now in stock, as well as the usual Bow, so send for as many as you like.

May the following four lines be true of all of us:—

"Yesterday, God helped me,
To-day, I'll praise His Name;
Because I know to-morrow
He'll help me just the same."

Yours in His sweet service,
E. F. CHISHOLM,
N.Z. Literature Supt.

169 Peter Street,
Ashburton,
4th November, 1927.

Dear "White Ribbon" Sisters,

Nineteen twenty-seven is swiftly drawing to a close, so will all W.C.T.U. "Press" Reporters, or Secretaries, please see that the forms sent in are filled in correctly, and returned to "169 Peter Street, Ashburton," not later than December 31st.

Last year, a few forms were returned, marked, "This Department not worked," but there is scarcely a Branch in New Zealand but what could report "something attempted, something done." If meetings are reported in local papers—and it pays to report—or even in the White Ribbon only, that is information surely worth passing on.

Then there are articles published for or against, and resolutions sent on from Headquarters for consideration, or drawn up locally for discussion, which should always be reported in full in the local papers, and also mentioned in the annual returns.

Will all Reporters or Secretaries of Branches therefore please do their very best this year, and thus enable me to present a satisfactory report of the year's work to the Dominion Convention in 1928.

Thanking you in anticipation, and with every good wish for the festive season.

Believe me, with loving greetings,

Yours, for God, Home and

Humanity,

EMMA TREVURZA,

N.Z. "Press" Supt.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Wanganui,

November 8th, 1927.

Dear Sisters,

The year is fast drawing to a close, and we wonder what the harvest will be of all the seed sowing in the hearts and minds of our Legioners.

Count it all joy, that we have been called into His Service, in the great work of teaching and leading the children in His name, for His sake, and for the future good of our Dominion. Sometimes you have felt discouraged, and tempted to give up. But be of good cheer, and leave results with God.

Next year we hope to have even greater activities, and new schemes of work. At any time that you would like to know anything about the work, write, and I will endeavour to do my best to help. The Questionnaires have been sent out, and will Secretaries fill them in as fully as possible. From the questions answered, I make up my annual report for Convention.

Then the Affiliation fee, 1d. per eight members, to be paid to the New Zealand Treasurer, Miss Lovell-Smith, is most important. All our L.T.L's. and Bands of Hope must affiliate with our own organisation.

If anything has been done for "Animal Welfare Week" or Bands of Mercy, kindly add postscript to the Questionnaire. There is a wide field of labour in this Department, and Leaders would find it is an interesting subject for their meetings.

I have thought a Christmas Gift from all the Legioners and Bands of Hope throughout the Dominion, to the dear, little people of the "Widow Home," would be a loving deed, with a self-Denial effort it can be done.

Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto Me.

With loving greetings,

Yours sincerely,

ALICE M. BATHGATE.

WAIKATO DISTRICT CONVENTION.

The Waikato District Convention opened in St. Paul's Schoolroom, Hamilton, on Wednesday, October 12th. Cambridge, Fencourt, Hamilton, Hamilton East, Morrinsville, and Ngauruawahia Branches of the main Union were represented, besides Cambridge and Hamilton "Y." Branches, and from Maori Unions. His Worship the Mayor, Mr J. R. Fow, said he was glad to welcome the delegates. One of the most hopeful signs of the times and one which gave cheer to outside workers, was the widespread and keen interest in the "Women's Christian Temperance Union." When started by Frances Willard, it was little thought how far-reaching the Movement would be. As President of the New Zealand Alliance, as well as in his Mayoral capacity, he extended the welcome. He had seen something of the havoc wrought by the drink traffic in the early days of New Zealand. He had seen families who had come with high hopes to a new country succumb to the evil, bringing economic loss to the land, countless misery to their fellows, and intense suffering to womanhood and childhood. Mr Fow hoped the Convention would be an inspiration and help, and that as the delegates heard of the progress in other places, they would be encouraged in their great work.

Address by Rev. R. Morgan (President of the Ministers' Association), extending a hearty welcome to the delegates. Their association, he said, welcomed all interested in the progress of "God's Kingdom" and the spread of righteousness in the land, for these the W.C.T.U. stood foursquare. The cause of prohibition meant solid work, all along the line progress was evident. In the name of the Ministers' Association he wished the Convention success, and that the way would be seen whereby even greater progress should be made.

The meeting then proceeded to consider the business set out on the Agenda Paper.

Mrs J. M. Jones (President of the South Auckland District) said that interest had been well-maintained throughout the District, 15,849 women in the area signed the

women's petition for a Two-Issue Ballot Paper. Much had also been done in getting petitions on the Bible-in-Schools question signed, and protests against the Gaming Bill had been sent to various M.P's. and the Premier. Good work was being done amongst the young people, and also amongst the Maoris.

Mr Waterhouse, representing the New Zealand Alliance, explained that the Alliance had been most anxious to return as a successor to the late Hon. R. F. Bollard, a candidate who was favourable to the Two-Issue Ballot Paper, and who was against extension of time between the polls. It was satisfactory to know that there was now a majority of six in the House pledged to support the Two-Issue Ballot Paper. The speaker referred to the recent controversy over liquor in the King Country, giving an explanation of the position and showing that it was not by verbal agreement, but by a legal contract involving a Proclamation under an Act of Parliament, that the natives had been promised that liquor should not be introduced into the King Country.

Resolutions were passed protesting against Bishop Cherrington's suggestion, "that the system of licensed houses for the sale of alcohol should be introduced into the King Country."

Resolutions passed recently at the Dominion Conference were reaffirmed.

Mrs T. E. Taylor (Dominion President) gave a forceful address, based on the words, "Freely ye have received, freely give."

Mrs Starnes (Morrinsville) and Mrs Morgan (Hamilton East) conducted the devotional part.

The following officers were elected: Mrs Jones, President, Mrs R. Morgan, Vice-President; Mrs S. Craig, Secretary; Mrs Davey, Treasurer.

Votes of thanks were passed to the speakers, to Mrs Secombe and helpers for afternoon tea, and to the Press. Special thanks were tendered to Mrs Taylor for her valuable help, and she was presented with a beautiful bouquet.

If arrangement can be made, the 1928 Convention will be held at Ngauruawahia.

Think before you drink—you can't afterwards!

HERE A LITTLE AND THERE A LITTLE.

THE TIE THAT BINDS.

To this office come temperance papers and papers representing women's activities in all parts of the globe.

But last mail came a request from the Department of Moral Welfare in the Presbyterian Church of the U.S.A., that we place it on the White Ribbon mailing list. We are pleased to do this, and to receive in exchange their publication, "Moral Welfare." We shall receive news regarding the activities in this Department of a great Church in a great Republic. And in exchange, they will receive the record of the fight for God, Home and Humanity, which is being put up by a band of earnest women in these far off lonely isles of the Pacific.

Our aim is one, viz., to leave the world a little better, a little nearer God than we found it.

WHITE RIBBONERS ENFORCE DRY LAW.

In the extreme North West of U.S.A., just on the border of British Columbia, the bootleggers and rum-runners have had a good time. Now Sheriff Fraser has been appointed to enforce the dry law. He and his entire staff are all paid-up honorary members of the W.C.T.U.

Uncle Robert, who is fat and bald, came into the nursery and volunteered to play Red Indians. His elder nephew said, "Pooh! You're no good for Red Indians, Uncle Bob—You've been scalped already."

MAY WE HELP YOU FOR CHRISTMAS?

Our book list will shortly be ready. We recommend worth-while books, and some of the best are the cheapest. Discount for school prizes. In selection and price, we can give at least, as good value as any in the Dominion. Special value in Bibles and Sunday School Tickets.

H. R. FRENCH,
Heretaunga St. East, : Hastings.

"Y" PAGE.

SUGGESTED PRAYER TOPICS FROM YOUR DOMINION SUPERINTENDENT.

Let us watch and pray against a threefold danger ever at our side.

1. Satisfied with God's blessing.
2. Satisfied with results.
3. Satisfied with answers to prayer.

Let us thank God for our Union meetings, and pray that a fine spirit of fellowship may prevail.

Pray,—that the plans suggested for the further development of our work may have the Divine approval.

Pray,—that our officials and committees may be guided and strengthened in the furthering of new ideas, whereby many may be won for our cause.

Pray,—that the result of our meetings may mean a great impetus in all Departments dealing with the young people of our land.

Pray,—that God may give us times of blessing.

FAREWELL TO MRS MACARTNEY.

On Tuesday, 4th October, a large gathering of W.C.T.U. members from Dunedin and suburban Unions, met in Hanover Street Baptist Church Bible Class Hall, to say good-bye to Mrs Macartney, who is removing to Invercargill. The District President, Mrs Hiett, Mrs Don and other ladies, spoke in eulogistic terms of Mrs Macartney's long term of faithful work as Otago District Treasurer, Dunedin Union Treasurer, President of South Dunedin Union, and Y. Superintendent. Her fine organizing abilities as shown in the management of the Creche during the Exhibition was commented upon, and she carries with her to Invercargill the prayers and good wishes of a host of friends.

In presenting her with a beautiful gold wristlet watch as a tangible token of love and esteem, hopes were expressed that in her new home an opening would soon present itself, through which her special gifts could be utilised and an opportunity given

for continuing to carry on the fine work she has done so well in Dunedin.

During the evening, musical items were rendered, also recitations, after which supper was handed round and a short time spent in social chat.

ADVICE GRATIS.

Drink less—Breathe more.
Eat less—Digest more.
Clothe less—Bathe more.
Ride less—Walk more.
Sit less—Dig more.
Worry less—Work more.
Waste less—Give more.
Write less—Read more.
Preach less—Practice more.

POWER OF EXAMPLE.

Rev. C. Garratt tells of a lad, thirteen years old, who sat at a table with his father. Wine was on the table.

"What will you take?" asked the waiter of the boy. "I'll take what father takes."

The father had the decanter in his hand, about to pour out the wine, but at these words loosed hold, and replied, "Waiter, I'll take water."

GRUMBLE CORNER AND THANKSGIVING STREET.

At a camp meeting in South Framingham, a man arose and said he had formerly lived in Grumble Corner, but had lately moved up to Thanksgiving Street, where the air was fresher, the sunshine brighter, and the neighbours' pleasanter.

Y REPORTS.

ASHBURTON.

Sixty present; the President, Mr N. W. Corbett presided. Mrs Acutt, Travelling Representative for Dr. Barnado Homes, was welcomed to the meeting. Decided to start meeting at 8 p.m. during the summer. Members were asked to hand in literature and facts for the Magazine, and for suggestions for next year's Syllabus. Rev. C. S. Matthews gave a very stirring address on the "Ten Commandments of Temperance Unions." Mr R. Silcock sang the "Battle Song of the Y's." Seven new members were initiated.

AUCKLAND.

Nov. 3. Miss M. Pyle presided over a fair attendance. Re-election of officers took place:—President, Miss Appleby; Vice-Presidents, Mrs Lee-Cowie, Mr H. Leckie; Recording Secretary, Miss L. Adams; Corresponding Secretary, Miss F. Hullah; Treasurer, Mr Smith; Assistant Recording Secretary, Miss McGechie; Superintendent, Miss M. Pyle. Mrs Kasper gave some helpful information on departmental work. Decided to set up the following departments: Good Citizenship, Miss Read, Supt.; Sunshine Band, Miss McGechie, Supt.; Evangelistic, Miss D. Lees, Supt.; Notable Days, Mr J. Yates, Supt. Miss Dulcie Lees gave a very able report of the Convention held at Whangarei recently. Votes of thanks were accorded to the retiring officers, viz., Miss I. Davison (who has held the office of Recording Secretary for a long period) and Mr Alan Davison (who was worked well in the capacity of Treasurer). A special vote of thanks was passed to Miss Davison. The resignations were accepted with great regret. A very interesting feature in the programme, was the reading of essays on the "W.C.T.U." by members of our Y. Branch, Mrs Cowie being the judge. The winners were:—1st, Miss E. Appleby; and 2nd, Mr Alan Davison. Three new members were initiated.

GERALDINE.

Oct. 10. President presided over fair attendance. Interesting reports of Convention were given by Mrs Loach and Miss M. Pye. A debate was held with the Presbyterian Bible Classes on, "Does Sport have too prominent a place in the National Life of New Zealand." Supper was followed by a social hour. (Thank you, Marion, for a short, pithy report.—Ed., W.R.)

WANGANUI EAST.

Sept. 27. Six present. Miss Sanson gave an interesting talk. One member was initiated. The business was then introduced by the President.

Oct. 11. Nine present; Mr A. Jarvis presided. We were pleased to have a visit from Miss Bradshaw, Organising Secretary, who gave us a splendid talk and also initiated a new member. Decided to take a stall at a Garden Party, to be held at Mrs Dowsett's home on November 5th, in aid of the Willard Home. (Good report.—Ed., W.R.)

KAIKOURA.

Oct. 13. A combined meeting of young people to hear Miss McLay. About forty present, including members of the Presbyterian Bible Classes, the Anglican Girls' Club, and the Girl Guides. The meeting opened with a hymn and prayer, and a reading from Romans XII. Miss McLay then gave a very fine address on the Origin and Ideals of the W.C.T.U., laying stress on the evils of alcohol used as a beverage or medicine, and making an appeal for total abstinence. She also asked if any present would like to link up as Y. members of the W.C.T.U. The first part of the meeting was then closed with prayer, and a most enjoyable time was spent in fun and games, when Miss McLay had an opportunity to speak to some of the young people, and especially some who were considering becoming Y. members. After supper had been served, an Initiation Service was held, and three girls were enrolled as Y. members of the W.C.T.U. The meeting closed with the Benediction. We were exceedingly pleased to have Miss McLay with us, and feel sure that her visit will have lasting results in many of the young lives touched by it.

PLEASANT POINT.

Oct. 29 members attended. The chief item of the evening was a question box, all questions being satisfactorily answered. After a few rollicking games, and supper, the meeting was brought to a close.

OXFORD.

Oct. 10. Vice-President in the chair. Decided to ask Mr Paterson, Travelling Alliance Organiser, to address the next meeting. Miss B. Rossiter, the Convention delegate, then read the report of her visit to Convention in Ashburton. After our delegate had been asked a few questions, two new members were initiated.

EXTRACTS FROM "BROTHERHOOD."

THE OUTLAWRY OF WAR.

"Conversations have taken place between the U.S.A. and France, concerning a possibility of outlawing war between these two great powers. And Sir Austen Chamberlain has expressed approval. These conversations, indeed, are not likely to result immediately in any "all-in" arbitration treaty, but they can scarcely fail to do some good. They will call public attention to a subject of immense importance to the whole world. The more it is discussed, the more will public opinion be educated upon it.

Why should not the U.S.A. and Great Britain lead the way by a treaty that would set a splendid example to all other nations?

The fact that the U.S.A. Government insists upon keeping up a navy at least equal to the British one, looks as if there were mutual suspicion. Let these be cleared away by once-for-all outlawing war in the English-speaking world, as a step towards universal outlawing of war. This way lies the true advance of civilisation."

General Prohibition Agent, R. A. Kohloss, recently said: "The criticism launched at the prohibition law by its opponents show that it is all right. I never knew a thief to find fault with a defective lock. We have enough law and there is no need for its modification. Ninety per cent. of the population is in favour of the Volstead Act, but ten per cent. 'holler.'"

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News of the Unions.

FENCOURT.

Oct. 6. Mrs Simpson presided over a fair attendance. Decided to hold a "Tennis Day" with a Bring and Buy Stall, on October 22nd. A collection to be taken up in aid of the Palmerston North Willard Home. Miss Norman was appointed delegate to the District Convention.

TAKAPUNA.

Oct. Mrs Morgan Richards took the chair, and Mrs Lewis, who was our representative to the Whangarei Conference, presented her report, which was a very good one and was well received. Mrs Escott, who came from England a short time ago, and was a member of the B.W.T.U., gave a very nice little address. Decided to hold a women's prayer meeting once a month at the house of Mrs Mills; there was a fair attendance.

TAUMARUNUI.

The ordinary meeting was held on October 11th. Permission was obtained from the Railway Department to place a box for literature in the waiting room. The opening of the L.T.L. for the year was reported. October 18th, the branch held a special meeting to talk things over with the Dominion President. Plans for local work and the coming campaign were discussed, and several members took literature for distribution. Sister Alison reported on the supply of literature to road-making and bush camps.

SYDENHAM.

Oct. 5. Mrs Odell presiding; good attendance. Letter read re New Zealand Representative to Pan-Pacific Conference. Decided to hold Social Evening to try and get new members. Miss McLay gave a very helpful and inspiring address, and was thanked. Decided to try and form a Y. Branch. One new member. Afternoon tea.

OTAHUHI.

Nov. 3. Mrs Greenwood presided over a large meeting. Mr Pain kindly came and gave us a talk on the Work in the Back-Blocks, which was most interesting. We were grieved to hear that there are several people in the Back-Blocks that have never seen a Bible. Mr Pain has come across cases in his travels.

DUNEDIN.

Oct. 4. At the District Executive meeting, Mrs Hutton was unanimously appointed District Treasurer.

Nov. 1. Good attendance. Mrs P. Garden was welcomed as Treasurer in place of Mrs Macartney. The Treasurer reported that £17 7s. 7d. was in hand for the Organising Fund. Decided to respond to the appeal of the New Zealand Alliance and assist in a week of Self-Denial. Mrs McLean read some quotations from an article by Sir Frederick Treves, who said: "I assure you that there are some patients that I don't mind operating upon, and some I do, but the person of all others that I dread to see enter the operating theatre is the drinker. He is the most dangerous feature in connection with surgical life." As the Union is responsible for the Green Island Band of Hope, the members were delighted to hear that the band had had a most successful session; pledges were taken at every meeting, and the attendance some nights were as many as 90. At the close, flowers and produce were on sale for the Campaign Funds.

NGATIMATI.

Nov. 2. At St. James's Sunday School; Mrs T. Haycock in the chair. The attendance was small, but very interested in the address given by Miss McLay. One new member was admitted into the Union. Miss L. Strachan was appointed Superintendent of the Cradle Roll Department.

TEMUKA.

Nov. 4. Large attendance of members and friends; Mrs Tilbrook conducted the meeting. The annual reports were read and adopted, and the election of officers for year 1928, took place as follows:—President, Mrs Tilbrook; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames Brown, Cooper, Whitehead, Hewson and Elder; Secretary, Mrs Blackmore; Treasurer, Miss Greaves; W.R. Superintendent, Mrs Wilson; Press Steward, Miss Myra Elder; Maori Mis-

sion Work, Mesdames Hewson and Elder; Rest Room Superintendent, Mrs Gibb. A vote of thanks was passed to all retiring officers. Miss Mamie Ellis and Miss E. Bryan contributed musical items. Adjutant and Mrs Gibson, of the Salvation Army Chinese Mission, gave a very interesting talk about the women and children of China, the Adjutant also showing some curios. The friends were then the guests of the Secretary to afternoon tea.

WANGANUI CENTRAL.

Nov. 4. Final arrangements made for Monday Night Tea for young people, with a view to forming a Young People's Club. That meeting was held on the 7th; Miss Bradshaw addressed the gathering during the tea hour. A Committee was formed from those present, to arrange future plans. A Young People's Club has been formed at Waverly, also an L.T.L. Reported at our Thursday meeting that 15 new members were joining up with us from Fordell.

ELTHAM.

Nov. 4. Mrs Morrison presided. Report received re Shop Day, held October 22nd., for funds for New Plymouth Seamen's Rest and the Willard Home. The sum of £6 8s. was sent to the Seamen's Rest, and £5 18s. with 10s. worth of goods to the Willard Home. Miss Bradshaw's offer to spend a few days for organising work in the town was accepted. Afternoon tea was served.

PLEASANT POINT.

Oct. 5. Mrs McNeur presided over a fair attendance. After Secretary's report of Convention, literature to hand was discussed, and it was decided to get names from the Electoral Roll, so that members could divide the work evenly, of posting literature throughout the District. Attention was called to the Stocking League column in the White Ribbon, and medical literature was distributed for discussion at next meeting.

DUNEDIN SOUTH.

Oct. 13. Good attendance. Mrs Peart presiding. A letter from Mrs Macartney, thanking Union for letter expressing sympathy with her in loss of father. Mrs Saunders, an old member, was welcomed back, also Mrs Fraser. Mrs McFarlane read the report of District Convention. Mrs Peart then spoke on the words of the text, "Rest in the Lord." Mrs Williamson sang, "I Know My Heavenly Father Knows." A member was initiated. Next meeting to be our annual one, and Mrs Menton to preside. Afternoon tea.

CHRISTCHURCH.

Oct. 12. Miss Henderson presided over a good attendance. Mr T. H. Sidey, M.P., acknowledged the Union's congratulations on the passing of the Daylight Saving Bill. The New Zealand Alliance wrote asking for individual help for Self-Denial Week; a number of members offered to take envelopes. Mrs Richards reported on the recent sale of cakes, etc., when the sum of £18 had been raised. Miss Henderson welcomed back Miss Bishop. After an absence of some months, also Miss Lucy Bishop, late President of the Pleasant Point Union, who has come to reside in Christchurch. Mrs Wilson, President of Pahiatua, and Miss McLay, the Y. Organising Secretary, were also welcomed. Miss Bishop gave a very interesting account of her recent trip to Australia, and of the cordial welcome given to them by the Women's Christian Temperance Union in Sydney and Melbourne. Mrs Wilson, in thanking Miss Henderson for her welcome, spoke briefly of the work of her Union, and Miss McLay gave a brief account of her work among the Y's. for the South Island, and some of her experiences while working among the Maoris.

Oct. 26. Miss Henderson presided over a good attendance. Before the business was taken, votes of sympathy were passed with Mesdames Jenkin, W. H. Seed and G. Burn, who have recently lost their husbands. The President welcomed back Misses Davies and M. M. Stephens, and also Mrs Clark, who was transferred from the Sefton Union. Miss Ironside gave an interesting address on the work which is being done by the Voluntary Child Welfare Committee among the school children in the East End of London. A collection was taken up for the Maori Organising Fund.

MAUNGATUROTO.

Oct. 19. Seven members present. Secretary reported successful Band of Hope meeting on October 7th. Gratitude expressed for assistance of Rev. Jackson and friends from Auckland. Resolved to take part in Temperance Self-Denial Week, Secretary to obtain 36 envelopes. Decided to hold Mothers' Day on November 16th, in Manse grounds. Secretary read report of District Convention at Whangarei.

N.E. VALLEY.

Oct. 27. Maori Mission Day, and fortunately both weather and attendance were good; Mrs Peart presiding. Sympathy with Mrs Smith, whose daughter had passed away. Mrs Gibson and Miss Baxter sang a duet, "He Walks With Me," very nicely. Mrs Brigadier Burton spoke on the "Word of God," which endureth forever.

MIRAMAR.

Nov. 5. Sale of Work to raise funds for the benefit of the Palmerston North Willard Home and the Organising and other funds of the W.C.T.U. A very good attendance of members and friends, including several from the Sister Unions of Wellington. The Sale was opened by Mrs J. Caughley, who spoke a few words as to the objects of the Sale, urging that they were worthy of the support of all. The President pointed out that all the W.C.T.U. Unions were making a special effort to help the Willard Home now that its Managing Committee had decided not to apply any longer to the Macarthy Trust to assist with funds. Afternoon tea was provided at the usual charge, also jelly and cream to those who might prefer it to tea. The stalls were well-stocked with cakes, produce, sweets and plain and fancy needlework, and good business was done through the afternoon, resulting in a clear profit of over £10, considered very satisfactory for a small suburban Union. (Well done, Miramar. Ed., W.R.)

SOUTH BRIGHTON.

Nov. 1. Mrs G. W. Weavers presided. A vote of sympathy to Mrs Gordon in the loss of her son Stanley. Mrs Good, our Cradle Roll Superintendent, reported she had eight more babies for the Cradle Roll. We are very sorry to lose Mrs Armstrong, our White Ribbon Agent, owing to her leaving the District. Hostesses for last meeting, Mesdames Hulme and Ingles.

PALMERSTON NORTH.

Oct. 7. Mrs T. Young in the chair. Mrs Chittenden read a very full report of the Convention held here last month. Many things were discussed for furthering the work of our Union. A hearty vote of thanks was given Mrs Chittenden, also the members who helped at the Show Ground on Thursday. The W.C.T.U. catered for the refreshments at the Stock Sale held at the Show Grounds. The proceeds to go to Willard Home, which benefited to the extent of £10. Much valuable experience was gained, which will be useful another time.

BELFAST.

Oct. 2. Members of W.C.T.U. arranged a very interesting meeting of Band of Hope. Attendance the best of any meeting yet held, many adults being present. Rev. J. F. Coursey, of St. John's Anglican Church, was the speaker, the children being very interested. After a community sing and some musical items, a Wireless Entertainment was kindly given by Mr Maindonald. Supper was served.

Oct. 6. President in chair. Mrs McLean, delegate to Convention, gave a very fine report, making members feel as if they had taken part; so fully were the proceedings explained. A vote of thanks to delegate. Decided to hold Band of Hope Social at end of month. Next meeting to be Pay-Up Social. Maori Day, a collection taken up for that fund. Afternoon tea served.

LINCOLN AND SPRINGSTON.

In August our annual "Bring and Buy" Afternoon was held, to augment our funds. Meeting was presided over by our President, Mrs Kemi. Owing to counter attractions, this meeting was very poorly attended, but brisk business was transacted among those who were there. Our September meeting was a Red Letter Day for Springston, Miss

Harband coming all the way from New Brighton to speak to us. There was a splendid attendance, presided over by Mrs Kemi. Miss Harband told us all about what was done at Convention in Ashburton, and further interested her hearers by tracing for their benefit the Origin and Growth of the Women's Franchise, likening it to an "Open Door." Miss Harband was warmly thanked for her instructive and inspiring address, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

AUCKLAND.

Oct. 11. Mrs Cook presided. Maori Day was celebrated, and a collection taken to help the funds for Maori work. Mrs Full-James was congratulated on her appointment as District Maori Superintendent. She gave an interesting talk on the work, and also about the work at Niue Island, and read a letter of appreciation from a Niue lady. A Poi song was rendered very effectively by Mrs King. Mrs Hutchinson and Miss Paul gave very interesting reports on the District Convention, which was held at Whangarei last week. Miss Bully, a visitor from England, gave a pleasing little talk on her work in connection with the "Y." Unions in the homeland. A letter of thanks was received from the Secretary of the Auckland Hospital Auxiliary for the help rendered on Saturday. The Union undertook to take charge of a station on St. John's Ambulance Street Day. The following resolution was passed for the consideration of the Dominion Executive:—"That it would be in the best interests of Child Welfare in New Zealand, that the Child Welfare Branch of the Education Department should be separated from the Education Department and become a District Department, under an officer directly responsible to the Minister in charge."

OPOTIKI.

Oct. 14. Mrs Thompson presided. Afternoon tea was served by Mrs Hambly and Miss Thompson. Mrs Gordon read a considerable amount of correspondence, dealing with the Willard Home and Dr. Barnado's Home. Meeting resolved to forward donations to both institutions. A letter bearing a request for Self-Denial effort in connection with the Alliance was held over. Arrangements were made for final Band of Hope meeting to be held in November, and the Band of Hope Picnic was discussed. Very enthusiastic Band of Hope meetings have been held and very well-attended. Rev. Wickham addressed the children, and preached in the various Churches on the Sunday.

PETONE.

Oct. 4. Letters of sympathy were sent to Mrs Woolford and Mrs Ashby. Mrs Carter, delegate to New Zealand Alliance Convention, gave a splendid report, also Mrs Battersby, who was a delegate. Mrs Young read a paper on Alcohol, Its Action on the Human Organisation, which was very interesting. Mrs Young raised the idea of holding meetings further afield, and carried. The next Social Afternoon to be held at Mrs Playtor's.

Oct. 19. At the residence of Mrs Playtor, Koro Koro; good attendance. Various musical items were rendered, Mrs Crowther, Junr. with the Banjo-Mandoline, and Miss Playtor on the Organ, also gramophone selections, all of which were greatly appreciated and enjoyed. Decided to help the New Zealand Alliance in Temperance Self-Denial Week, also the Y.W.C.A., with their Tea to Business Men on Thursday evening, 27th. A dainty afternoon tea was dispensed by the hostess and her daughter. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the hostess and artists.

WELLINGTON CENTRAL.

Oct. Miss Kirk gave a short and interesting report of the late New Zealand Alliance Conference. The members of the Union are asked to share in the Self-Denial effort by increasing their own, and also by asking outsiders to help in the annihilation of the outstanding debt. When that is done, we have the guarantee that no further liabilities will be undertaken without sufficient funds to meet them. An item regarding one or two of the city's pressing needs was discussed, and a letter embodying these is to be sent on to the City Council.

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

General: Mrs Horace Chisholm, 9 Palm Grove, Berhampore, Wellington.

Badges and Tie-pins, 5/- per doz.; Star of Honor, 2/- each; Hymnals (music), 3/- each; Hymn Books, 2/3 per doz.; Writing Pads, 1/- and 1/9 each; Envelopes, 6d packet; Constitutions, 4d each, or 3/6 doz.; Handy Booklet, 4d each, 3/6 doz.; Membership Pledge Cards and "Facts About W.C.T.U.s," 6d doz.; Treasurer and Transfer Slips, 6d doz.; Pledge Books, 6d each; Treasurer's Receipt Book, 1/6 each; Promise Box, 1/3 each; "How We Won the Franchise," 6d doz., or 3/- per 100; "White-Robed Vestal," 6d doz., or 3/- per 100; "What We Have Done with the Franchise," 6d doz., or 3/- per 100; "Torchbearers," 7/6 each; "Appeal to Mothers," 6d doz.; "Frauds," 6d doz.; "Emergency," 9d doz., or 1d each; "Young People's Leaflet on W.C.T.U., 1d each, 1/- per doz.; "Noontide Hymn" (words), for sticking in Hymnal, 6d doz.; "Three Reasons Why a Young Woman and a Young Man Should Abstain," 6d doz.; Service and Prayer Book, 6d each; Social Invitation Cards, 6d doz. These prices include postage.

L.T.L. and Band of Mercy: Mrs Bathgate, 106 Somme Parade, Wanganui.

Charts (with Manual of Lessons), showing effects of alcohol and tobacco on the human body, 7/6 per set; Marching Songs for Young Crusaders, 1/- each; A Handful of Hints, 1/-; Temperance Tales, 1/-; About Ourselves, 1/-; About Our Country, 1/-; It Is Written (Bible stories), 1/-; Shakespeare Manual, 1/3; Pledge Cards, 1/- per dozen; Programmes, from 3d each; L.T.L. Badges, 4d each; L.T.L. Buttons, 3d each; The Young Crusader, 2/- per annum (in advance); L.T.L. Hand Books.

BAND OF MERCY.

Literature, 6d per packet; Pledges, 6d per dozen; "The Little Animal's Friend," 1/6 per year (on order).

BAND OF HOPE.

Dialogues, 3d each; Leaflets, 9d per packet; Pledges (artistic), 2/- per dozen; Reciters, from 3d. Also Pledges at 1/- per dozen.

Cradle Roll: Mrs Phillips, Brecon Road, Stratford.

Cradle Roll Pledge Cards, 1/- per doz.

Cradle Roll Birthday Cards, 2/- per doz.

Eighth Year Certificates, 2/- per doz. Social and Moral Hygiene: Mrs Wilson, P.O. Box 273, Hastings.

Men, Women and God, 4/6—A discussion of Sex Questions from the Christian standpoint; Maternity without Suffering, 3/-; Way Book of Youth, 2/-; How I Was Born, 9d; The Story of Life, 1/6; In Her Teens, 2/-; The Changing Girl, 2/-; Answers to Tiny Tots, 2/-.

Medical Temperance: Mrs Clara Neal, 5 Park Crescent, Parnell, Auckland.

Medical Temperance Leaflets at prices ranging from one penny up to sixpence per dozen. Sample Packets, 1/- each.

Anti-Narcotic Leaflets: Sample Packets, 8d each. All Post Free.

WANGANU EAST.

Oct. President in chair. Arrangements were made for Garden Party, in aid of Willard Home, Headquarters and Campaign Fund. Miss Sutton, Cradle Roll Superintendent, reported about forty new names in six months. Y. Branch also is active and growing steadily in numbers. They propose running a stall at Garden Party. Pay-Up Social Day. Members took the opportunity of paying their yearly dues, thereby saving our Treasurer much unnecessary work and worry. A cup of tea and social items, brought a bright and profitable meeting to a close.

OXFORD.

Oct. 26. Resolution expressing sympathy with the President in her bereavement. Sympathy was expressed with Mrs. E. Magrath and Mrs. Nelson; Mesdames Comyns and Fenwick. 10s. sent on to the Maori Fund. The next meeting will be the annual meeting and the election of officers, November 16th, so do come along and let us have a real good meeting. Decided to hold the final Band of Hope meeting on a suitable night in November. Mrs. Scarffe gave a very excellent report on the Convention at Ashburton, for which she was heartily thanked. Made arrangement for the W.C.T.U. Afternoon Tea, to be held November 3rd.

GORE.

Nov. 1. "Bring and Buy" Sale held at the residence of our President, Mrs. E. C. Smith. The attendance was very good, and the financial results excellent, exceeding our expectations amounting to close on £6. Matters relative to the District Convention were dealt with. During afternoon tea, vocal items, to everyone's enjoyment, were rendered by Mrs. Beatties, Hazlett and Burton.

PAPANUI.

Oct. Fair attendance. Mrs. F. J. Carr presided. Maori Day, a collection taken up for Maori Fund. Decided to offer the usual prizes for essays, to the four schools of the District, Harewood, Papanui, Waimairi, and the Seventh Day Adventists, the subject being, The Effect of Alcohol on the Human Body. It was stated that this was now a compulsory subject in the schools. In connection with the Carnival, for the two parks, the meeting decided that their Union would supply afternoon tea and supper for one day. Mrs. Merrin gave a very interesting report on the recent Convention held at Ashburton. Decided that next meeting would be an afternoon for the Cradle Roll members, when the children will be entertained with afternoon tea and sweets.

INVERCARGILL SOUTH.

Oct. Though somewhat windy and cold, mothers and children ("it was Mothers' Day") were present in large numbers, and enjoyed to the full the delightful and varied programme arranged by members. Mrs. Pasley extended a warm welcome to mothers and visitors, and proposed to submit the social part of the programme first. Those responsible for this pleasure were:—Mrs. Ritchie, Mrs. Parker (by whose hands the programme was arranged) and Miss C. Bailey. Mrs. Stanley Brown followed with an address on Kipling's Poem, "The Glory of a Garden," and Mrs. Brown's neat and explanatory exposition of these verses was a sumptuous treat. Afternoon tea was served to adults, and fruit, biscuits and a gift to each child. It was made known that the Southland Annual Convention would be held in the Jed Street Sunday School, on November 9th. A happy afternoon was brought to a close with the Benediction.

OTAHUHU.

Oct. 13. Good attendance. Mrs. Greenwood occupied the chair. Mrs. Wheeler, the delegate to Convention at Whangarei, gave a report of the work done, also Mrs. Fulljames, from Auckland, gave a splendid address on Maoris and other work. A collection was taken up for Maori work. One new member. Afternoon tea was handed round.

ONEHUNGA.

Oct. 13. A splendid attendance, 70 being present at our Pay-Up Social. Article re

Dominion Stocking League read from the White Ribbon. President offering to receive and forward any stocking legs sent to her to Mrs. Don. Decided to hold a Bring and Buy Afternoon in December, in aid of the Palmerston Orphanage. Letters of sympathy to be written to two members who are laid aside. Programme arranged by our Treasurer, of songs, piano and violin solos. As Mrs. Keith Rimmer was not well and unable to come, Mr. Rimmer, who came in her stead, told us of the "Diuka Tribe" in Sudan, and of their Missionary work amongst these people to whom they were returning soon, closing his interesting talk with an appeal for our prayers on their behalf. Votes of thanks to speaker and artists. A plate at the door for voluntary contributions, resulted in our being able to hand 35s. to Mr. Rimmer towards the Mission. Invitation given to visitors to join. One new member gained. Tea was handed round.

CHEVIOT.

Oct. 7. Mrs. Walmsley presiding, attendance good. A donation to the Willard Home was voted by the meeting. Some questions were asked on Gambling in its numerous forms, which gave rise to a brisk discussion. Arrangements were made for a "Bring and Buy" Afternoon in aid of funds, after which the meeting was closed and afternoon tea dispensed.

DANNEVIRKE.

Oct. 13. Twelve members present. Social Afternoon, and Musical Evening unavoidably postponed until next month. Letter received from New Zealand Alliance re Temperance Self-Denial Week; resolved to send for four dozen envelopes. Paper read about Dominion Stocking League, much appreciated by members.

WAIPIKURAU.

Oct. 12. Mrs. Smales presided over a fair attendance. Correspondence was read re the proposed visit of Miss McLay and Heaton. Decided to hold two meetings next month on that account; annual meeting not to be held until our Secretary returns. Finances were discussed.

DUNEDIN CENTRAL.

Oct. 12. Home meeting at Broad Bay. About 14 of our members live there; they invited friends to come to the meeting. Mrs. Hiett gave a very interesting talk about our work; at the close, Mr. Moore, the Methodist Missionary, thanked our President for her interesting address. Four new members joined our ranks. Afternoon tea was served before leaving for town.

Oct. 19. Mrs. Hutton gave an American Tea at her home, "Highgate," in aid of the Organising Fund, about forty ladies were present. Mrs. W. R. Don gave a very interesting talk about her Trip Through America, which was very much enjoyed. Musical items, recitations and violin solos were given. The collection was close on £7.

TAKAKA.

Nov. 1. Annual meeting. In the absence of the President, Miss C. M. McLay, Y. Organiser, presided. Miss McLay told the story of the "Women's Crusade in Hillsboro," and gave a brief outline of the aims and activities of the W.C.T.U. She referred to some of the great reforms which men and women of vision had brought about in the past, and pointed out the great task of our day is the Abolition of the Licensed Liquor Traffic. The effect of Alcohol on the Brain was demonstrated by chart. The following officers were elected:—President, Mrs. Scott; Vice-President, Mrs. Harwood and Mrs. R. W. Kirk; Secretary, Mrs. A. Taylor; Treasurer, Mrs. Ed. Hitchcock; W. R. Agent, Mrs. Lake. Two new members were obtained, and four White Ribbon subscribers. Miss McLay also addressed public meetings in Kotinga and Takaka.

STRATFORD.

Oct. Pay-Up Social. Splendid attendance of visitors and members; over 50 subscriptions were paid in. Mrs. Phillips extended a hearty welcome to the visitors, and invited them to join with us in the work of trying to make New Zealand what we were so proud to call it, "God's Own Country." Miss Bradshaw, Dominion Organiser, gave

us an inspiring talk, pointing out two or three reasons why we women should always wear our "White Ribbon Badge." Songs and recitations were given during the afternoon. Mrs. Phillips made an appeal for the Willard Home. Afternoon tea was handed round. Five new members were initiated.

FEILDING.

Nov. 3. Annual meeting. Good attendance, presided over by Mrs. Pack. Resolved that ten shillings be sent to the Missionary Fund. Secretary instructed to write a letter of sympathy to Mrs. Hubner who is ill. Reports showed a slight increase in membership, also in subscribers to White Ribbon. All former officers re-elected, with the exception of Mesdames Hughes and Burnley, who replace Mesdames Darragh and Gibson as Vice-Presidents.

RICCARTON.

Oct. 26. Cradle Roll Day; attendance good. Pledge repeated. Temperance fact entitled, "Alcohol is a Cell Poison," given by President, who explained the effect of Alcohol on young life. Correspondence read relating to a prisoner whom the Union had assisted, and members were pleased to know that he was still making good and living in England; another prisoner who had been assisted by one of our members was now living in Australia, still keeping straight, and wrote to say that he was going to be married. Nurse Allen, of Christchurch Plunket Society, addressed the meeting, and gave an interesting talk to the mothers present, on the Care and Feeding of Babies. One new member joined.

HAWERA.

Oct. 17. Very enjoyable Concert given by local friends to celebrate Maori Day. Good audience; Mrs. Exley presided, and said that one day during the year the Union made an effort to raise funds to assist the work among the Maoris. Rev. H. J. Fletcher gave a very interesting talk on "Maoris and Liquor in the King Country." The following ladies and gentlemen contributed items:—Mesdames Carter, Hartman, Halstead, Toper, Yearbury, Dryman, Robb; Misses Johnston, Spurdle and Bissett; Messrs. McFadgen Jones, Eade, Taylor and Piper. Mrs. Hayward and Mrs. Ollivrenshaw deserve great credit for organising the concert, also Mrs. L. A. Taylor for playing the accompaniments.

Oct. 28. Good number present. Mrs. Exley presided. Letter read from Mr. Burge, expressing his thanks to members for their kindness to his late wife and for letters of sympathy, thanking the President for her service at the graveside, which he very much appreciated. One new member enrolled. A very successful sale of produce; proceeds in aid of Willard Home.

HAVELOCK NORTH.

Oct. 28. Ten ladies present. Mrs. Speight presided. Welcome to Miss McLay, who gave the devotional address, taking as her subject, Christ's Precepts and Example of Loving Service. Letter of sympathy to Mrs. Gilbertson in serious illness of her son. Mrs. Speight spoke briefly on Maori work done by the Union.

Nov. 4. A combined meeting of Hastings and Havelock North Unions, to welcome our new District President, Miss Heaton, of Dannevirke; Mrs. Speight presided. Mrs. Wilson took the devotional address, dealing with the spiritual value of loneliness, instanced by the lives of Elijah, Isaiah, John Baptist, and Jesus. Miss Heaton's address dealt chiefly with the Evangelistic aspect of our work. Miss McLay, our Dominion Organiser, spoke on Cradle Roll work and a mother's high calling. Verily, a feast of good things were in these three addresses. Mrs. Webb sang delightfully, the song, "My Dear Soul." Afternoon tea was provided, and a collection taken to help the funds of this new Union. The following resolution was carried:—"This meeting of Hastings and Havelock members of the W.C.T.U. met at Havelock, desires to place on record its appreciation and warm support of the attitude which the local Press have adopted towards the picture, 'Damaged Goods,' and would urge upon the Hastings Borough Council, the need for a better supervision of the class of picture screened in our Municipal Theatre."

OPAWA-WOOLSTON

Sept. 7. Public meeting, presided over by Mrs Jenkins; excellent attendance. Miss Banghau gave an instructive talk on needed Prison Reform, especially in the care of feeble-minded persons, for whom special homes were needed. Miss C. M. McLay followed with a description of Homes in Scotland for feeble-minded persons. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded both speakers. Following resolution was passed: "That the needs of the feeble-minded adults in New Zealand should be urged upon its Parliamentary representative, and the Government, and that their attention should also be invited to the latest New Zealand Prison report, and the figures therein which will appear to show that many offenders are unnecessarily in prison instead of being put upon probation or otherwise cared for."

Sept. 14. Small attendance; Mrs Jenkins presided. Matters were discussed in connection with the formation of a new Branch at Woolston, the Minister of St. Peter's offering a room connected with the Church, and would help in every way possible; after a lengthy discussion, it was decided to leave it over until February next. A Y. Branch was also discussed and deferred until a later date. A Cradle Roll was proposed with Joint Superintendents, Mrs Tullock and Mrs Handcock. Report of District Convention in Ashburton was given by Miss Atkins, items of interest being afterwards discussed. A vote of thanks was passed. Afternoon tea.

RANGIORA.

October 28. Mrs Thwaites presided over fair attendance. Letters of sympathy in cases of illness to be sent to three members. A small "Bring and Buy" Sale held during the afternoon, realised the sum of £1 10s. An article from the "White Ribbon" on "Leadership" was read. As Maori Day is observed in October, the President read a report on the work among the Maoris in the North Island, and a collection was taken up for the Maori Fund.

EDENDALE SOUTH.

Oct. 6. Annual meeting; Mrs Malcolm, President, in the chair. Treasurer read balance-sheet, which showed credit of 10s. 10d. Our Branch numbers 24 members. At next meeting in November, a collection to be taken in aid of Willard Home. Mrs Niven was appointed delegate to District Convention. The following officers were appointed for the year:—President, Mrs J. Finlay; Vice-President, Mrs Malcolm and Miss Cranstoun; Secretary, Miss N. Hall; Treasurer and W.R. Agent, Mrs Horace Niven.

WAITARA.

Oct. 21. Good attendance; Miss Bradshaw, Dominion Organiser, conducted the devotions, and also gave a very interesting address on "The Need of Educating Women and Young People against the Dangers of Drinking Habits," urging members to get in personal touch with people, and try and induce them to think on the Prohibition question. £2 sent to Organising Fund; various accounts passed for payment. Decided to send for envelopes for the New Zealand Alliance Self-Denial Appeal. Notice given of annual meeting on November 18th.

NEW PLYMOUTH.

Sept. Franchise Day observed by a Social in the Victoria League Rooms; large attendance. Address by Mrs Burgess, President of the League. Several musical items and afternoon tea.

Oct. 16. Maori Day; address by Mrs Tuffrey, Maori Superintendent, and Miss Bradshaw. Afternoon tea.

Oct. 17. Young People's Evening. About 20 young people met in the Baptist School-room, to hear an address by Miss Bradshaw. Musical programme, supper provided. Early in October, a Street Collection and Sale was held for the Seamen's Rest funds, which, with proceeds of afternoon tea in the Victoria League, amounted to over £5 5s. On October 11th, the Rest was opened to the public, on the occasion of the visit of the first passenger boat. Boxes on the wharf and in the Rest Rooms, brought in the helpful sum of £20. The monthly meeting was held on October 25th, when the chief business was to discuss plans for paying off the balance of £60 on the Seamen's Rest.

It was decided to hold a Mart on the 9th December, with the usual stalls and afternoon tea. Stall holders were appointed. The Dominion Treasurer's letter re Organising Fund was read, and it was decided to write saying that, as New Plymouth had undertaken the erection of the Seamen's Rest, and expenditure in connection with it is heavy at present, we cannot see our way to the payment of more than 1s. per member for this year.

KUMEU.

Oct. 12. Fair attendance, presided over by the President, who read an interesting article dealing with the New Zealand Government and Samoa, and the Liquor Traffic there. We decided to keep our meetings going, and not close down for the summer vacation. Vote of sympathy passed to those members who were unable to attend through sickness. Decided to invite the Helensville Branch to pay us a return visit to our meeting in November. Afternoon tea.

DARGAVILLE.

Oct. 18. Fair attendance; the President, Mrs Hodge, presided. A letter read from Alliance, asking for co-operation in Self-Denial Week. Decided to get envelopes, optional whether paid through Churches or W.C.T.U. Mrs Wordworth, the Cradle Roll Agent, very keen on working up a good Cradle Roll. Mrs White undertook to make list of children's names, Mrs Reynolds to be asked to help with list names also. President read paper, "What Alcohol is and What it Does." Members brought garments to be sent to Willard Home. A very interesting report of District Convention given by our delegate, Miss Andrews, and was much enjoyed, and a very hearty vote of thanks was carried by acclamation to Miss Andrews.

NORMANBY.

Annual meeting held at the residence of Mrs Gane. Good attendance of members; Mrs Bevan presided. Correspondence re Self-Denial Week and organising levy was read and discussed. Reports of the year's work were read and adopted. The election of officers for the ensuing year are as follows:—President, Mrs Irvine; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames Bevan, Fletcher and Clement; Secretary, Mrs Gane; Treasurer and Press Correspondent, Mrs Meuli; White Ribbon Agent, Mrs Bevan; Cradle Roll Superintendent, Mrs Beaton. Afternoon tea.

GRANITY.

Oct. 20. Owing to excessive rain, the attendance was poor; Mrs Marr presided. A devotional meeting was held. Decided to have Cradle Roll Afternoon, November 17th. We secured two White Ribbon members, also two Cradle Roll. Hoping to have Maori paper read at the above meeting.

TAURANGA.

Very good attendance; President in chair. One new member. Farewell to Mrs Horn, wife of the Baptist Pastor, to whom our Union had much pleasure in presenting a hand bag, a very fine specimen of work made by the returned Soldiers. Mrs Horn gave an address. Afternoon tea was partaken of, and the meeting closed with singing "God be with you till we meet again."

BIRKENHEAD.

October 20. Mrs Jory presided over a fair attendance. Sent a donation of £1 to the Willard Home. A letter was read from the New Zealand Alliance, asking us to help in their Self-Denial effort. After some discussion, we decided to send for envelopes. Mrs Fulljames gave a most interesting account of our W.C.T.U. work among the Maoris. It was cheering to hear how it is growing and the good it is doing. Afternoon tea was served.

HENDERSON.

Oct. 17. Mrs Platt presided. The delegates from the Whangarei Convention gave interesting and glowing reports, which were greatly appreciated. Final arrangements for Social Evening for the reading of Essays and presentation of prizes were made. A scientific fact was read, and our Pledge repeated together.

Oct. 19. Our Social Evening to the boys and girls of Standard VI., Henderson School, with Headmaster and parents, was held this

evening with great success and a very good attendance. Addresses were given by Mrs Forson Stuart, who spoke on W.C.T.U. work, and the reason we gave prizes to the young people on "The Evil Effect of Alcohol in the Human Body," and Mr Perkins who complimented the essayists on their grip of the subject, and he also gave them some good advice. Mrs Platt read the prize essay and presented the four prizes. A musical programme by some young people; Mr Haythornthwaite and Mrs Finlayson added to the enjoyment of the evening. A competition for the young people and a good supper, and the meeting closed after a very pleasant, and we hope a profitable time together.

WELLINGTON.

Nov. There was a good attendance, presided over by Mrs Mowlem. The appeal from the New Zealand Alliance in connection with the Self-Denial Week was discussed, and the members decided to co-operate. Mrs Murray, who was the delegate to the Palmerston North Convention, gave a very comprehensive report, including the reception of delegates, public meeting, Organisers' reports, plans for furthering the work in the future, and election of officers for the Manawatu and Wellington Districts.

CANVASTOWN.

Oct. 29. Annual meeting; good attendance, presided over by Mrs Murray. As the following three months are exceptionally busy to most members, it was decided that this meeting be the last held in 1927. Temperance Instruction in Schools was discussed at some length, Secretary instructed to make inquiries re Wall Sheets for same. Decided to offer prizes to school children for essays on Temperance subjects. Mrs Murray and Mrs Flower promised to donate two prizes for same. Secretary instructed to make further inquiries re Organising Fund levy. Decided that the District Secretary be informed that we would be very pleased to meet Miss McLay at Canvastown, if sufficient notice be given to get the young people. Decided to open a Cradle Roll at once. Decided to hold some future meetings at Wakamarina, Deep Creek and Canvastown alternately, to equalise the chances of attendance among far-away members. A report of the year's work and a report of District Convention were read by Mrs Flower. The balance-sheet was read and adopted. Mrs Murray gave a very pleasing address, which was enjoyed by all. The election of officers:—President, Mrs Murray; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames Bailey Bown, Lawson and Diamanti; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs F. H. T. Flower; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs M. Flower and Mrs M. Pike. Miss Lillias Bown, in a kindly little speech, paid tribute to their President and Secretary, for which thanks were returned.

PALMERSTON NORTH.

Oct. 14. Maori Day; Mrs T. Young was in the chair. Mrs Simons, Maori Organiser, gave a splendid address, telling of her work. She had started a Union at the Manawatu Heads, under the leadership of the Chief-tainess. She was going to start another one at Shannon. She hoped that this Union would help to carry on the work she had started by meeting our Maori sisters on their own ground with love and sympathy and understanding. Mrs Simons was accorded a hearty vote of thanks. A vote of thanks was also given to all members who had helped at the Show Grounds the previous day. The W.C.T.U. catered for the refreshments at the Stock Sale, held in the Show Grounds. The proceeds were for Willard Home, which benefited to the extent of £10. Our energetic Secretary, Mrs Ferguson, was Organiser, and under her capable management all went well.

WHANGAREI.

Helpful and successful Convention (Auckland District) held here; good attendance at all gatherings. Maori Day celebrated at residence of Mrs W. Heather, Otaka Road. Special bus to convey Whangarei ladies; good gathering. Extracts from letters of Sister Heather and Sister Eleanor, both workers among the Maoris.

Nov. 1. Good attendance for wet day. Decided to send clothing to Willard Home, also took up Self-Denial collection for Alliance. Welcome extended to new members.

HAMILTON.

Oct. 31. Combined with the Y's. and held an evening meeting. Rev. Gilbert gave a stirring address. Decided to hold a Cradle Roll Afternoon on November 4th; the weather was fine, so a good attendance of adults and babies. (240 babies on the Cradle Roll). The following contributed items:—Miss Jones, piano solo; Mrs Beebe, song; Mrs Dixon, humorous recitations; Rev. Gilbert, violin solo, accompanied by Mrs Gilbert. Dr. Rogers gave a most interesting address on "Alcohol," and then he spoke to the mothers "On the Feeding of Children from Infancy to six years of age." This was a most enjoyable gathering, and the Cradle Roll Department should benefit considerably, socially and financially.

ASHBURTON.

Nov. 1. Good attendance; Mrs Robinson presiding. Letters of sympathy sent to the following:—Mr W. T. Kingston and family, Mrs R. Oakley and family, Mrs T. Kerr and family, Mr C. and Miss Tucker, and Mr and Mrs C. Parker, also to Miss Earnshaw, late Organiser for W.C.T.U., in her prolonged illness, and Mrs C Hopkins and Mrs W. Painter, in sickness. Feeling reference was made to the passing hence of Mrs W. T. Kingston, a pioneer member of the local Branch, and until her removal from Ashburton an active and valued member, filling most of the offices available with honour and distinction. A report of the "Quick Lunch Counter" at the Gaia on Labour Day was submitted by the Committee, and considering the inclemency of the weather was very satisfactory. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded all who assisted in any way, and especially to the "Y's." Decided that a letter of thanks be sent them for their valuable assistance. Number of parcels for Willard Home was handed in. £9 was voted to Organising Fund.

PONSONBY.

Nov. 4. Mrs Lee-Cowie presided over a good attendance of members and friends. Two resolutions were moved and passed, namely, (1) That a strong protest be sent to Parliament against the country Racing Clubs holding their meetings in Auckland; (2) That a letter be sent to Mr Baildon, the Mayor, stressing our disapproval of the Tin Hare Racing being introduced into Auckland, and of him countenancing it. £6 was realised by a Bring and Buy Sale, in aid of the Willard Home. One new Member.

NGAIRE.

Nov. 3. Annual meeting held at Mrs K. Tarrant's. Ten members present. President, Mrs Gilliver, presided. All departments reported having done good work during year. Bundles of clothing collected for Willard Home. Next meeting to be Pay-Up Social. Election of officers:—President, Mrs B. Edwards, Mountain Road; Vice-President, Mrs Gilliver, Bird Road; Treasurer, Mrs Simpson, Mountain Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Aitken, Sole Road.

NAPIER.

The Hawke's Bay District Executive met in Napier, November 1st; delegates present from Dannevirke, Waipukurau, Havelock North and Hastings. The usual monthly meeting was held the same afternoon, Miss Heaton, District President, presiding over both meetings. Mrs Brocklehurst welcomed the visitors. Correspondence dealt with; pleased to note that Mrs Leask expects to be in Napier before Christmas. Mrs Cox reported the sending of clothes for Jumble Sale for Willard Home, Palmerston North. Decided that the next meeting of the Band of Hope be the last for the year, members to arrange a Social for them. A "Shop Day" is to be held the fourth Wednesday of November, proceeds to go toward Convention Fund. Napier South held its first meeting on Thursday, the 3rd, when we were favoured by a visit from Miss Heaton and Miss McLay; both spoke words of encouragement and advice. Mrs Brocklehurst welcomed the visitors, to whom votes of thanks were passed. We are expecting great things from this new Branch. May God bless this and all new Unions.

CARTERTON.

Oct. 19. Mrs Every presided over a fair attendance. A letter of thanks was received from the Willard Home for the box of

clothing sent. Mrs Every thanked all members for their help in making the Snowball Supper such a great success, the net proceeds were £5 3s. Our President referred to what the President of the South Island Motor Union said, namely, "Whisky and Motor Cars won't Mix; 75 per cent. of accidents were due to Liquor." Mrs Tyler reported the Alliance meeting, and Mrs Kemmerley gave a report of the recent Annual District Convention. Miss Waterson was appointed Hansard Reader.

Nov. 2. Mrs Every presided, 11 members present. A letter was received from Mrs Birdsall, thanking the Union for their donation of 14 lbs. for the Willard Home. Mrs Every offered to have an evening at her home on Tuesday, 15th. Each member present was asked to bring two friends who were not members. The Alliance Convention in Masterton on November 19th, was commended to members, and it was hoped as many as possible would go. Decided to take eight dozen pamphlets, "What to do in Emergency," and send a copy with the typed Report of the Annual District Convention to all country members.

GREY LYNN.

Oct. Mrs Hobday presiding; both the President and Secretary gave reports of District Convention. Mrs Williams, District Secretary, spoke on the work of Convention. The next meeting will be held in St. Columbia's Hall. The branch is making progress, and the members are very enthusiastic.

MAKOTUKU.

Oct. 11. Rather disappointing attendance, Miss Heaton presided and conducted the Initiatory Service. She read a booklet, explaining the Constitution of the W.C.T.U. A vote of sympathy with the President on her indisposition was passed. Decided to have afternoon tea at meetings, Mesdames Smith and Boyle being hostesses for our next meeting, 2nd Tuesday in November, when we expect to have Miss McLay with us.

THAMES.

Sept. 8. Mrs Heard presided, 13 present. Dr. A. S. Gray gave a very interesting and instructive address.

Oct. 5. Attendance seven. Mrs Heard read a very interesting article from the White Ribbon. A new member received; we have now a membership of 14.

STYX.

Oct. 12. Mrs Donald presiding; very fair attendance. A very interesting letter was received from Sister Eleanor Dobby, dealing with her work amongst the Maoris. A collection was taken up in aid of the Temperance cause in the Maori work. Mrs Peters the delegate to Ashburton, gave her report. A hearty vote of thanks to the speaker was passed.

PAPAROA.

Oct. 14. Fair attendance; Mrs Hames presided. Vote of appreciation to Miss Stella Hames for her past work as Treasurer. The Secretary gave a short report of Convention. A splendid report of the Auckland District Convention given by our delegate, Mrs Singleton, and vote of thanks accorded her. Rev. Mitchell gave a very stirring appeal on behalf of our young boys and girls, and the meeting decided to organise and do their best to carry on with the Band of Hope. Rev. Mitchell was thanked for bringing the matter before the Union.

MOTUEKA.

Oct. 26. Miss Cresswell in chair; attendance rather small. White Ribbon account of 30/- passed for payment. Temperance Fact read by Mrs Chambers. Decided to extend an invitation for the Nelson District Convention to meet here in 1928. Miss McLay, Organiser, was present, and addressed the meeting. She was listened to with interest, and a vote of appreciation was passed at the conclusion of her address. Decided, at the request of the Organiser, to form a Cradle Roll in connection with our branch.

LAWRENCE.

October. Well-attended meeting; three new members. Resolved to hold annual meeting in November. Union to meet again in March of next year. Mrs Edie (chair) expressed regret at losing one of our mem-

bers through removal to another district. She wished Mrs Livingstone success in her new home. Sum of £1 9s. handed in for Organising Fund. Mrs Edie then read a paper on The Maoris and some of their difficulties especially dealing with the liquor question.

LOWER HUTT.

Oct. 26. Good attendance. The general appeal was read from the Willard Home, and the Secretary offered to send a parcel of clothing. We were reminded of the Self-Denial Week, in connection with the Alliance, and it was decided for each member who wished to give to their Church, but mark the envelope W.C.T.U., so that Headquarters would know we were helping as a Union. Payment was passed for badges, books, etc., also £1 for the advertisement in the White Ribbon. A scientific fact was then read, pointing out that alcohol, was not a stimulant, and that aspirins were dangerous to take in any quantity. Absent members were to be looked up by those present. Decided to hold our annual meeting next month. Pay-Up Social, the Rev. Loddell to be asked to take the chair, and Mrs Loddell to help with the programme. The President then read a paper on The Effect Emigration had on the Referendum. Decided to form a Birthday League, the funds to go towards Headquarters Fund.

HASTINGS.

Oct. 27. 17 members present; Mrs Banks presided. Miss McLay reported that a new Union had been formed at Wairoa and one at Napier South, and asked for prayers for the new Unions. An invitation was received from Havelock North, to meet with them on the 4th, on the occasion of Miss Heaton's visit. Miss McLay addressed the members on "The White Man's Responsibility to the Coloured Races." Collection was made for the Maori Fund.

MANAIA.

Oct. The meeting was poorly attended, owing to the sickness of a number of workers, so work was entirely routine. Will all members note that November is the end of the financial year, and endeavour to attend the meeting on the 8th, for the re-election of officers for 1928, and summary of the work of 1927.

APIITI, 1st Thursday in Presbyterian Church at 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs Murray; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Gill and Wilson; Sec., Miss F. Malcolm; Treas., Mrs Gould; W.R. Agent, Miss McKenzie.

ARAMOHO, 4th Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs H. Beggs. Glasgow Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs Gilmore, 2 Paterson Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs H. Good, Paterson Street; Treas., Mrs Sleight, Stewart Street; W.R. Agent, Miss N. Gilmour, 2 Paterson Street.

ASHBURTON, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Baring Square Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs W. H. Robinson, Hampstead, Ashburton; Sec., Miss Trevurza, 169 Peter Street West; Treas., Miss Dent, 16 Cross Street, Alton; W.R. Agent, Miss Watson, 84 Cameron Street West, Ashburton.

AUCKLAND, second Tuesday, in the Club Room, Upper Queen Street. Devotional meeting, 2.15 p.m. Pres., Mrs Cook, 17 Esplanade Road, Mt. Eden; Cor. Sec., Miss N. Dewar, Pompallier Terrace, Ponsonby; Rec. Sec., Mrs J. W. Taylor, Sentinel Road, Ponsonby; Treas., Mrs Dowling, 6 Pompallier Terrace; W.R. Agent, Miss Hill, Russell Cres., Ellerslie.

AUCKLAND Y's, 1st Thursday each month, at 7.30 p.m., in Mrs Lee Cowie's Hall, East Street. Pres., Miss M. Pyle, 7a. Hamilton Road, Herne Bay; Vice-Pres., Mrs Lee-Cowie, Miss Appleby, Mr Polson; Rec. Sec., Miss I. Davison, 8 Stokes Road, Mt. Eden; Cor. Sec., Miss F. Hullah, Fourth Avenue, Kingsland; Treas., Mr A. I. Davison, 8 Stokes Road, Mt. Eden; Supt., Miss L. Reed, "Whittaker Place," Symonds Street.

BALCLUTHA, 1st Tuesday, 5 p.m., P.W.M.U. Classroom, S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs Cations, James Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs J. Stephens, James Street; Treas., Miss Tosh, Toshvale; Cor. Sec. and White Ribbon Agent, Mrs J. Geggie, Rosebank.

BIRKENHEAD, 3rd Thursday, at 2 p.m. Methodist Classroom. Pres., Mrs Jory; Rec. Sec., Mrs Todd, The Cres; Cor. Sec., Miss R. Hayman, Arawa Street; Treas. and W.R. Agent, Miss K. Le Roy, Lytton Street, Devonport.

BLENHEIM, first Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs W. M. Smith, Aston St., Springlands; Secretary, Mrs V. Underhill, Leiverton, Blenheim; Treasurer, Mrs T. Pike, "The Laurels," Blenheim; White Ribbon Agent, Mrs W. Pike, Main St.; Evangelistic Steward, Mrs Stewart, Stephenson St.; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Lacey, Dashwood St.; Literature, Mrs W. Church, Bamford St.; Libraries, Mesdames Lane (Dashwood St.), and McCallum (Riverlands).

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

BRIGHTON UNION, 3rd Thursday, 2.15 p.m., in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs H. Hall, Wainui St., Bexley; Sec., Mrs M. Moses, 140 Lonsdale St.; Treas., Mrs Fraser, River Road; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs Rame, Parsonage; White Ribbon Agent, Mrs McIniray, Breezes Road; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs F. Good, Victoria Street.

CHRISTCHURCH, W.C.T.U. Rooms, 247 Manchester Street, 2nd and 4th Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss Henderson, 9 Straven Road, Riccarton; Cor. Sec., Mrs Ruth Day, 92 Edward Avenue, St. Alban's; Rec. Sec., Miss Thomas, 34 Crammer Square, Christchurch; Treas., Mrs Richards, 14 Morris Street, Avonside; W.R. Supt., Mrs R. Day, 92 Edward Avenue, St. Alban's.

CARTERTON, 1st Wednesday, in Salvation Army Barracks, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Every, Garrison St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs Raine, Vicarage, High St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs Kemmerley, Belvedere Rd.; Treas., Mrs Tappin, Hilton Rd.; W.R. Agent, Miss Waterson, Pembroke Rd.; Evangelistic, Mrs Tyler; Cradle Roll, Mrs Pepperell.

CAMBRIDGE, 2nd Wednesday in month, in Methodist Schoolroom, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs A. W. Martin, Hamilton Road; Cor. Sec., Mrs Elsie Beer, Stafford Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs B. Moore, Victoria Street; Treas., Mrs R. C. Stewart, Vogel Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Edwin James, Grosvenor Street.

DANNEVIRKE, meets 2nd Thursday, Methodist Church, 2.45 p.m. Act. Pres., Miss Reaton; Vice-Pres., Mrs Daniel; Sec., Mrs T. Nicholson; Treas., Mrs Sharpley, Princess Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Wright, 227 High Street.

DUNEDIN, 1st Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., Baptist S. School, Hanover Street; Pres., Mrs Hiett, 11 Duke Street; Cor. Sec., Miss W. Powell, 120 Cuba Rd. St. Clair; Rec. Sec., Mrs Douglas, 35 Brighton St., Kaikorai; Treas., Mrs Macartney, 27 Maiter St., Mornington; Parliamentary Supt., Mrs Downing, Anderson's Bay; W.R. Agent, Mrs Blakely, 23 Epsilon Street, Roslyn; Maori, Mrs Romeril; Flower Mission, Mrs Bennett; Juvenile Work, Mrs Gain; Cradle Roll, Miss Bryant; Home Meetings and Library, Mrs Hutton.

SOUTH DUNEDIN, meets 2nd Thursday, at 2.30 p.m., in Wesley Schoolroom, Cargill Road. Pres., Mrs Macartney, 27 Maiter St., Mornington, Dunedin; Sec., Mrs Williamson, 42 Beach St., St. Clair, Dunedin; Treas., Mrs Williams, 39 Nelson St., South Dunedin; W.R. Agent, Mrs J. Shacklock, 6 Catherine St., Caversham.

DEVONPORT, 2nd Wednesday, Congregational Church, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs M. Finch, 14 Allenby Av., Devonport; Sec., Mrs M. Trevurza, Victoria Rd., Takapuna; Treas., Mrs T. Fraser, Narrow Neck, Devonport; W.R. Agent, Mrs Watson, 15 Kerr Street, Devonport; Cradle Roll Supt., Miss Bishop, Cheltenham, Devonport; Vice-Pres., Mrs Lamont, North Av., Devonport, Mrs Burnett, Devonport.

ELTHAM, meets 1st Friday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Schoolroom, King Edward Street. Pres., Mrs Morrison; Sec., —; Treas., Mrs L. Pinny; W.R. Agent, Mrs Streeter, London Street.

EKETAHUNA, meets 3rd Thursday, in Methodist Sunday Schoolroom, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., —; Vice-Pres., Mrs Terry, Parkville, Eketahuna; Sec., Mrs Norman, Parkville, Eketahuna; Treas., Mrs Hansen, Alfredton Rd., W.R. Agent, Mrs Baillie, Macara St.

EDENDALE (Southland), 1st Thursday at 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs Malcolm; Sec., Miss H. Hall; Treas. and W.R. Agent, Mrs H. Niven.

EPSOM, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in Baptist Church, York Avenue. Pres., Mrs Neal, 5 Park Crescent, Parnell; Sec., Mrs Carr, 16 Momona Road, Green Lane; Treas., Mrs Pirrett, 13 Panama Street, Arch Hill; W.R. Agent, Mrs Hood, 8 Kipling Avenue, Epsom.

EDEN, meets 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom, Dominion Road. Pres., Mrs Fenton, 66 Grange Rd., Mt. Eden; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Gaulton and Auld; Cor. Sec., Mrs G. W. A. Clark, 129 Balmoral Rd.; Rec. Sec., Mrs Johnston, 85 Balmoral Rd.; Treasurer, Mrs Merson, 552 Mt. Eden Rd.; W.R. Agent, Mrs Cartwright, 315 Dominion Rd.; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs Gaulton, Elizabeth St.; Cradle Roll, Mrs Ramsay, 26 Gordon Rd., Mt. Albert.

FAIRLIE meets every second Wednesday of the month in Presbyterian Sunday Schoolroom, at 2.30. Pres., Mrs Wilcox; Vice-Pres., Mrs C. H. Holland and Mrs S. Bradick; Treas., Mrs A. Hammond; Sec., Mrs J. Sangster; W.R. Agent, Mrs Barwood.

FEILDING, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m., St Paul's Hall. Pres., Mrs Pack, Sandilands Street; Sec., Miss Watt, 17 Grey Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Darragh, Gibson, Beattie and Tunnick; Treas., Mrs McIntyre, Box 11; White Ribbon Agent, Mrs Martin, Manchester Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs Whisker, Kawa Kawa Road; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs Tremain.

GORE, Baptist Church, 4th. Tuesday, 3 p.m., Pres., Mrs E. C. Smith; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Donald, Rhodes, Stewart; Sec., Mrs J. Harper; Cor. Sec., Mrs G. Mirams; Treas., Mrs McAskill; Cradle Roll, Mrs Stephenson; White Ribbon Agent, Mrs T. Stevenson.

GREYTOWN, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Sunday School. Pres., Mrs Morison; Vice-Pres., Mrs Taylor and Kearney; Sec., Mrs W. M. Allan; Treas., Mrs A. Haigh; Evangelistic, Mrs J. Allan; L.T.L., Mrs Anker; Cradle Roll, Mrs Roche; White Ribbon, Miss Oates.

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

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

HAWERA, meets last Friday, at 3 p.m., in the Methodist Bible Class Room. Pres., Mrs Exley, Albion Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Hill and Bone; Sec., Mrs Hayward, 37 Tawhiti Road; Treas., Mrs Ashton, Albion Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Spavin, 8 Campbell Street.

HAMILTON, 1st Thursday, in St. Paul's, London Street. Pres., Mrs J. M. Jones, 52 Te Aroha St.; Vice-President, Mrs Gilmour, Thackeray St.; Sec., Mrs Stephenson Craig, Peachgrove Rd.; Treas., Mrs E. J. Davey, London St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs Watson, Clifton Rd.; Cradle Roll, Miss Ambury, Stanley St.

HENDERSON, 3rd Wednesday, Presbyterian and Methodist Churches alternately, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Platt, Gt. North Rd.; Vice-Pres., Mrs Forsen Stuart, Miss Duncan; Sec., Mrs L. McKay, Gt. North Rd.; Treas., Mrs W. Williams, Gt. North Rd.; W.R. Agent, Miss K. Duncan; W.R. Reporter, Mrs W. Williams.

HASTINGS, 4th Thursday, Meth. Y.M. Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Banks, Southampton Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Fawcett, Paul, and Hughes; Sec., Mrs Wilson, P.O. Box 273; Treas., Mrs Boshier, Pakowhai Road; White Ribbon Agents, Mesdames Paul and Murtagh.

INGLEWOOD, meets last Wednesday, in Methodist Sunday Schoolroom, at 2.15 p.m. President, Mrs Simpson; Cor. Sec. and

Sunday School Supt., Mrs Bond; Treasurer, Mrs Burgess; Rec. Sec., Miss Johnston; W.R. Agent, Miss Simpson.

INVERCARGILL Y's, meet the first Monday in each month, in the Y.M.C.A. Rooms, Tay Street, at 7.30 p.m. Pres., Miss A. Matheson, Rugby Street; Sec., Miss G. Fraser, C/o Fraser's Store, Elles Road; Treas., Miss Dawson, 283 North Road; Supt., Mrs Norman James, Robertson Street, Lindsfarne; W.R. Agent, Miss Blake, 45 Teviot Street.

INVERCARGILL CENTRAL BRANCH, 2nd Tuesday, at 2.45 p.m., in the Baptist Church. Pres., Mrs Walker, 81 Lewis St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Boyes and McKenzie; Sec., Miss E. M. Smith, 169 Yarrow St.; Treas., Mrs Thomson, 39 Earnslaw St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs Johnson, Don St.

INVERCARGILL SOUTH, meets every 2nd Tuesday, in St. Peter's Methodist Schoolroom, Elles Road, Enwood, at 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs Pasley; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Garrett, Macgregor and Pryde; Cor. Sec., Mrs McGregor, 266 Crinan Street, Invercargill; Rec. Sec., Miss M. Callum; Treas., Nurse Griffiths; W.R. Agent, Miss McLauchlan.

INVERCARGILL NORTH, meets 3rd Tuesday, 2.45 p.m. alternately Baptist and Presbyterian Churches. Pres., Mrs Gilmour; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Holmes and Wilcox; Treas., Mrs Laytham; Sec., Mrs Langskall, 88 Melbourne St.; W.R., Mrs Brown, King St.; Cradle Roll, Mrs Fraser, Ellis Rd.

KAIAPOI, meets in W.C.T.U. Temperance Hall, High Street, last Wednesday in every month, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Vickery, Fuller Street; Sec., Mrs Rinaldi, Sewell Street; Asst. Sec., Mrs Blackwell, Sewell Street; Treas., Miss Evans, Fuller Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Stanton, North Road.

LOWER HUTT, 4th Wednesday, Church of Christ, Queen Street, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Anderson, 16 Copeland St.; Sec., Mrs R. Aldersley, Brunswick St.; Treas., Mrs H. Heyes, Pilmuir Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs Heyes, Brunswick St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs Spencer, Belmont; Librarian, Mrs Crawford, Waterloo Road.

MAUNGATUROTO, 3rd Wednesday, in Forester's Hall. Pres., Mrs Bycroft, The Manse; Sec. and Treas., Mrs Pasley, Senr; W.R. Agent, Mrs H. Flower.

MASTERTON, 1st Thursday, Knox Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs J. C. Cocker, Albert Street; Sec., Mrs S. J. Smith, High St.; Treas., Mrs R. Jamieson, Lincoln Rd; W.R. Agent, Mrs Weston, Mount Bruce Rd.

MAYFIELD, 3rd Thursday, alternately at Ruapuna and Mayfield. Pres., Mrs Williams, Anama; Sec., Mrs J. D. Murdock, Mayfield; Treas., Mrs W. Millar, Mayfield; W.R. Agent, Mrs Thos. Corbett, Mayfield.

MORRINSVILLE, meets 2nd Tuesday, in Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs Starnes, Allen Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs Sage and Mrs Cooper; Sec., Mrs Moncrief, Bank Street; Treas., Mrs Willis, Allen Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Oates, Thames Street.

MOSGIEL, third Tuesday in every month, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Bedford, East Taleri; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Prentice and Logan; Sec., Mrs M. H. Wilson, Inglis Street; Mosgiel; Treas., Mrs A. Lennox, Gordon Road, Mosgiel; Cradle Roll Supt., Miss McLeod, c/o Mrs Kennedy, Gordon Road, Mosgiel; W.R. Agent, Mrs Morton, Forth Street, Mosgiel; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs S. Johnstone, King Street, Mosgiel.

MOTUEKA, last Wednesday in month, at 2.45 p.m., in Methodist Church. Pres., Miss O. Cresswell, Lower Moutere; Rec. Sec., Miss V. Glover, High Street; Treas., Miss R. Boyce, Poole Street; W.R. Supt., Mrs F. Cresswell, Lower Moutere.

NAPIER, 1st Wednesday, in Willard Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs Leask, Fitzroy Rd.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Dodds, Macalister, and Venables; Rec. Sec., Mrs Brocklehurst, 45c Wellesley Rd.; Cor. Sec., Mrs Hull, Chaucer Rd., North; Treas., Mrs Wilkinson, Onepoto Valley; Evangelistic, Mrs Dodds; W.R. Agent, Mrs Mens, 111 Nelson Crescent.

NELSON Union, 2nd Tuesday, Methodist Hall, 3 p.m. Vice-Pres., Mesdames Knapp, Field, Watson, Walker; Sec., Mrs F. W. O. Smith, "Brookleigh," Brook St.; Treas., Miss F. Cooke, Examiner St.; L.T.L., Mrs Moyes, Grove St.; Y's., Miss K. Moyes, Grove St.; W.R. Agent, Miss D. Williams, Halifax St.

NEW PLYMOUTH, last Wednesday in the month, at 2.45 p.m., Whiteley Hall. Pres., Mrs. X. Jones, 247 Gill St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Griffin, Lizard St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Craig, Craig-neuk, Powderham St.; Rec. Sec., Miss Drew, M.A.; Treas., Mrs. Whitham, Gilbert St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Dickson, Hillcrest, Carrington Rd.; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Oliver, Upper Carrington Rd.

NORMANBY, 2nd Wednesday, 2 p.m., Presbyterian Hall. President, Mrs. W. Bevan, Waihi Road, Hawera. Vice-Pres., Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Clement; Sec., Mrs. W. Gane, Normanby; Treas., Mrs. J. Meull, Normanby; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Beaton; White Ribbon, Mrs. Lamond, (c/o. Miss Larcom, Turuturu Road, Hawera).

NORTH-EAST VALLEY, 4th Thursday, 2.45 p.m., Young Men's Institute. Pres., Mrs. Peart, 4 Pine Hill Terrace; Sec., Miss A. Begg, 45 Selwyn Road; Treas., Mrs. Sanders, 43 Frame Street; W.R. Agent, Miss Agnes Gray, 17 Grey Street.

OAMARU, Baptist Hall, Severn Street, at 2.30 p.m., every 2nd Monday in the month. Pres., Mrs. J. J. Clarke, 63 Tyne St.; Rec. Sec., Miss A. Webb, 22 Wye St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. W. Scott, 60 Eden St.; Treas., Mrs. McKenzie, Clyde St. Newborough; Press Reporter, Miss A. Webb; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Corlett, 63 Eden St.; Band of Hope Supt., Miss Hilliker; Sick Visitor, Miss M. Milligan, 14 Wansbeck St.; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs. Williamson; Organist, Miss Frater; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs. Twose and Mrs. Edgar, Assistant.

ORMONDVILLE, 2nd Thursday, at 2.30 p.m. in the Anglican Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Wilson; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Small; Sec., Mrs. Jewling; 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. Hamblly; Cradle Roll Supt., Miss Jamieson.

OXFORD, 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Coronation Hall. Pres., Mrs. G. Ryde, Cooper's Creek; Vice-Pres., Mrs. D. Hawke; Sec., Mrs. C. W. Tritt; Treas., Miss Caverhill; Evangelistic, Miss Gainsford, Mesdames Robertson and Tritt; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Bol and Mrs. Cooper; Notable Days, Mrs. Jones; Legal and Parliamentary, Mrs. Fox; Home Meetings, Mrs. S. Gainsford and Mrs. Graham; White Ribbon, Mrs. D. Hawke; Band of Hope, Miss Gainsford; Young People's Branch, Mrs. R. Comyns; Flower Mission, Mesdames Jamieson and Robertson.

OTAHUHU, meets 1st Thursday, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Greenwood, Station Road; Sec., Mrs. W. Taylor, Station Road; Treas., Mrs. McNarey, Nikau Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs. E. West, Panmure Road.

OTAHUHU, 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.

PAHIATUA, first Thursday in month, Presbyterian Church, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs. J. D. Wilson; Treas., Mrs. O. Johnson, Victoria Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Rennie Riccarton Road; Hon. Sec., Miss M. Edmed, D.H. School.

PAPANUI, 2nd Thursday, Presbyterian Girls' Bible Classroom, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. J. Simpson, 160 Idris Road; Rec. Sec., Mrs. A. Merrin, 278 Harewood Road; Cor. Sec., Mrs. H. Wright, 57 Aorangi Road; Treas., Mrs. Bond, Vagues Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Carr.

PALMERSTON NORTH, 1st Friday, St. Andrew's Schoolroom, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Young, No. 4 Line, Fitzherbert, W.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Collins, 16 Amesbury St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. C. Ferguson, 10 Lyndhurst St.; Treas., Mrs. S. Kingston, P.O. Box 236; "White Ribbon" Supt., Mrs. J. Burrell, 28 Bourke St.

PETONE, 1st Tuesday, Salvation Army Hall, Sydney Street, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Murgatroyd, Nelson Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Corner, Collins, Battersby, and Cole; Treas., Mrs. Doneghue, 31 Vivian St., Wellington; Asst. Treas., Mrs. Woolford, Beach Street; Sec., Mrs. Cole, c/o. Mrs. Corner, 89 Nelson Street; Assistant Sec., Mrs. Silberry, Richmond Street; Supt. of Cradle Roll, Mrs. Griffiths; 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., Miss Harris; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Brewer, Auckland Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Tobell; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Wilkes; Treas., Mrs. Wells; Cradle Roll, Miss Powick; W.R., Mrs. Fowler, Wellington South.

PLEASANT POINT, meets 1st Wednesday, at 3 p.m., Presbyterian Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. W. McNeur; Sec., Miss May Smith; Treas., Mrs. McQuarters; W.R. Agent, Miss A. Neilson.

PORT CHALMERS, meets 2nd Thursday, 3 p.m., Currie St. Hall. Pres., Mrs. Tait, Harrington St.; Sec., Miss Gunn, 19 Mary St.; Treas., Mrs. Smillie, Carey's Bay; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Paton, Daly St.

PONSONBY meets every 1st and 3rd Thursday in St. Stephen's Schoolroom, Jervois Road, Ponsonby, at 2.30. Pres., Mrs. Lee Cowie; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Hayr, Taylor; Miss Read; Rec. Sec., Miss Read, "Fern Bank," Whitaker Place; Cor. Sec., pro tem, Miss Read; Treas., Mrs. Kasper, "Elberton," Turner St.; W.R. Agent, Miss T. Pyle, 7a Hamilton Rd.; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs. Andrews, i Crummer Road.

RAKAI, meets on the 2nd Thursday, in St. Andrew's Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Boag; Sec., Mrs. Hopwood; Treas., Mrs. Evison; W.R. Supt., Miss Amy Oakley.

RAETIHI, 1st Friday, 3 p.m., Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs. Griffin, Seddon Street; Sec., Mrs. Sandford, Duncan Street; Treas., Mrs. W. Scarrow, Valley Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Ford, Seddon Street.

RAWENE, 3rd Wednesday. Pres., Mrs. H. Ashworth; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Bawden; Sec., Mrs. P. Lane; Cradle Roll Sec., Mrs. Herk; Librarian and W.R. Agent, Mrs. Johnson; Press Reporter, Mrs. H. Ashworth.

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. B. Cropp, Salisbury Road; 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; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Fordyce and Mrs. Philp; Sec., Mrs. T. Borland, Havelock Street; Treas., Mrs. J. Cassels; W.R. Agent, Miss J. McGregor, Box 48.

STRATFORD, 4th Friday, 3 p.m., Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs. Fawcett, Juliet St., South; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. McCallum; Rec. Sec., Mrs. McCallum, Orlando St., North; Cor. Sec., Mrs. C. M. Clarke, P.O. Box 105, Stratford; Treas., Miss Lilley, Juliet St., North; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Kelly, Regan St.; Supt. Cradle Roll, Mrs. Wendelborn, Juliet St., South.

SAWYER'S BAY, 4th Tuesday, in Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs. Polson; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Pratley; Sec., Mrs. Wallis; Treas., Mrs. Aburn; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Broadley; Cradle Roll W.R. Agent, Mrs. Broadley.

SYDENHAM, first Thursday in the month, in Methodist Schoolroom, Brougham Street. Pres., Mrs. Odell, Brougham Street West; Sec., Mrs. Cartwright Smith, 125 Colombo Street; Treas., Mrs. Gillard, Brougham Street East; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Hancock, King Street.

TE KUITI, meets 2nd Tuesday in month, at 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs. Strand, Parsonage; Sec., Mrs. G. Elliott, Seddon Street; Treas., Mrs. R. B. Cole, Mangarino Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Hill.

TAURANGA, meets every 3rd Friday, in Methodist Hall, at 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs. L'ariton 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, meets 1st Thursday in the month, at 2.30 in the Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian Churches alternately. Pres., Mrs. Morgan Richards; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Penning and Winstone; Sec., Mrs. Lewis, (Croydon) Victoria Rd.; Treas., Miss Piper, East Coast Rd.; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs. Winstone; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Morgan.

TEMUKA, meets 1st Friday, 3 p.m. Pres., Nurse Cameron, c/o Mrs. Sims, Alnutt Street; Sec., Mrs. E. Blackmore, St. Leonards; Treas., Miss E. Greaves, King Street; Rest Room Supt., Miss G. Hancock, 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. Minifie, c/o P.O. Box 111, Treas., Miss A. A. Pearson, 23 Turnbull St., Cradle Roll, Mrs. J. R. King, 6 Bank St., W.R. Agent,

Mrs. Cave, Raymond St., Peace and Arbitration, Mrs. B. H. Low, Arthur St., "Y" Pres., Mrs. Gordon, 190 Otupua Road.

TINWALD, 2nd Wednesday, Methodist Church, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Robinson; Sec., Mrs. W. Hopwood, Carters Terrace; Treas., Mrs. Wakelin; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Hight.

WAIMATE, 2nd Wednesday, in Knox Church Hall at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Roy, Deep Creek, Waituna; Sec., Miss McCarthy, 67 Sherman St.; Treas., Mrs. Excell, Studholme St.; "White Ribbon," Mrs. Graham, Rhode St.; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Vigers.

WAITARA, in Knox Church, third Friday, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Clayton, Warre Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Andrews, Buxton; Sec., Miss A. Bicheno, Brown Street; Treas., Mrs. Hughson, Craecroft Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Hingley, Blake Street.

WAIKAWA, 4th Wednesday in each month, 2.30 p.m., St. John's Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs. Hugh McLean, Waverley St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Neal, Robertson and Bott; Sec., Mrs. J. Bibby, Rose Street; Treas. and Rec. Sec., Miss T. Johnson, Rose Street; W.R. Supt., Miss Bibby.

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

WANGANUI CENTRAL, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Trinity Church Parlour. Pres., Mrs. Stewart, 9 Moore Avenue, Gonville; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Upton, 215 Guyton St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Irwin, Garrett St., Durie Hill; Treas., Mrs. Warwick, Great North Road, St. John's Hill; Asst. Treas., Mrs. Mara, Sydney Place; W.R. Agent, Mrs. James Grant, 55 Plymouth Street.

WANGANUI EAST, meets 2nd Thursday, at 2.15 p.m., in St. Alban's Church. Pres., Mrs. A. H. Duxfield, Okola; Cor. Sec., Mrs. W. J. Andrew, "Lilybank," Westmere (Private Bag); Rec. Sec., Miss Sanson, c/o Mrs. Durfield, Okola; Treas., Miss Frances Brown, 162, No. 3 Line, Wanganui East; W.R. Agent, Mrs. D. Melvin, Young Street, Wanganui; Evangelistic Supt., Miss Sanson, Okola; L.T.L., Miss Siddells.

WAVERLEY, first Thursday, in W.C.T.U. Rest Room, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. T. Wall; Cor. Sec., Mrs. J. Nicholls; Treas., Mrs. R. Johnstone; Rec. Sec., Mrs. T. J. Davis; W.R. Agent, Miss M. Johnstone.

WELLINGTON, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m., 35 Constable Street. Pres., Mrs. Mowlem; Sec., Mrs. Webb, 37 Hall Street; Treas., Miss Boxall, 40 Pirie Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Brierley, 103 Hanson Street.

WELLINGTON CENTRAL, 3rd Wednesday, 3 p.m., Y.M.C.A. Rooms, Willis Street. Pres., Miss Kirk, 60 Pirie Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Harry, Evans and Murphy; Cor. Sec., Mrs. J. Costin Webb, 26 Talavera Terrace; Rec. Sec., Miss Thompson, 23 Marama Cres, Tres, Mrs. He'yer, 338 Oriental Bay; W.R. Supt., Miss Hamilton, 9 Atiawa St., Petone; Cradle Roll Supt., Miss Anderson, 60 Pirie Street.

WHANGAREI, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Goodall, Dennis Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Adj. Vyle, Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Lovatt; Sec., Mrs. W. Hills, Norfolk St.; Treas., Mrs. R. Hughes, Mair Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Wright, King St.; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs. Lovatt, Bank St.; Asst. Sec. and Treas., and Notable Days, Miss Hilford, Bank Street.

WINTON, meets 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Sunday School Hall. Pres., Mrs. J. R. Hamilton; Vice-Pres., Mesdames T. A. McWilliam, J. P. McWilliam, and Wildey; Sec., Mrs. J. A. Wilson, Park St.; Treas., Mrs. J. D. Campbell, Eglington St.; W.R. Agent, Dr. Moana, Gow Park St.; Cradle Roll, Mrs. S. Smith; Evangelistic, Mrs. Hogg.

WOOLSTON, meets 2nd Wednesday, in Methodist Schoolroom, Opawa, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. A. D. Jenkins, 9 Westby St., Opawa; Hon. Sec., Mrs. W. T. Kelly, Garlands Rd., Opawa; Hon. Treas., Mrs. E. Pedlar, Richardson St., Opawa; W.R. Agent, Mrs. R. H. Turner, Murray Aynsley Terrace, Opawa; Press Reporter, Miss Atkins.

WYNDHAM, 3rd Thursday, at 2.15 p.m., in Presbyterian Church Hall. Pres., Mrs. Loppell; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. W. Chalmers, W.R. Agents, Miss Ayson and Miss McKay.