

SUPERINTENDENTS' ANNUAL REPORTS.

ORGANISERS.

Miss Earnshaw.

As I have reported upon my work pretty fully each month for the greater part of the year, I propose giving you just a brief resume (with approximate figures) of work accomplished. As much time, I think about a month, was spent travelling, the report covers about ten months' work.

Personal interviews, 1800; members gained, 400; "White Ribbon" subscribers gained, 100; free copies of "White Ribbon" distributed, 500; overdue membership fees collected, 100; overdue "White Ribbon" subs. collected, 60; meetings, 43; new Unions organised, 6; letters written, 265; invitations to meetings, 325; donations collected, £20; officers' books drawn up, 33.

Work began for the year at Palmerston South, where I made enquiries re organising, but owing to many people still being away on holidays, decided to leave it over.

Districts visited:—

Canterbury: Christchurch, Sumner, New Brighton, Papanui, Leeston, and Southbridge Unions.

Wellington: Wellington District, Wellington Central, Lower Hutt and Petone.

Hawke's Bay: Dannevirke, Ormondville, Norsewood, Waipukurau, Waipawa, Hastings, Havelock North, Otane, and Pukehou.

Hamilton: Te Kuiti, Hamilton District, Frankton, Hamilton East, Morrinsville, Cambridge, Te Aroha, Te Aroha West, and Ngaruawahia.

Auckland: Auckland District, Mount Eden, Russell, Kawa Kawa, Whangarei, and Hikurangi.

I think there is every reason for encouragement in our work, which seems to be growing in favour and appreciation wherever our aims, as an organisation, are made known.

It would seem, too, that at this time of great need, when the world is looking to its womanhood for very special services, when it is more than ever necessary that Christian women should stand true to their highest ideals, and fight against all evils and injustice, that a great call has come to us to the W.C.T.U. to undertake work which probably cannot be as efficiently undertaken by any other organisation. May every member and every Union be prepared to give of our best in the year's work which we have just taken up.

Miss Mayo.

In February, 1921, I commenced work in connection with the Women's Christian Temperance Union. For five weeks I worked in the Christchurch district with Miss Earnshaw. On 9th March we left to attend Convention in Ashburton, then back to Christchurch for about three weeks. While in this

district we were collecting membership fees and "White Ribbon" subs., and Unions were organised at Sumner and Papanui. On 13th April I commenced work in Palmerston North, and except for three weeks spent in Wanganui, remained in that district until the end of the year.

My work in Palmerston North was chiefly in connection with "Willard Home and Orphanage for Children." Work to raise funds for the extension of the Home was commenced beginning of third week in April, and carried on until December. During the eight months two concerts, three flower shows, and two jumble sales were organised, and realised about £500. This, with a donation of £500 given to the fund, brought our balance up to just on £1000.

In May I spent four days in Pahiatua; eleven "White Ribbon" subscribers and three new members gained. A report of Convention given.

Marion and Woodville Unions were visited also, and report of Convention read.

In September a branch of Union was organised in Levin, with a membership of thirty-five. At the end of September I attended Provincial Convention, held at Lower Hutt. After Hutt Convention, Wanganui and Wanganui East Unions were visited; fees collected and new members gained.

After Christmas holidays I visited Greytown and Carterton Unions, and organised a branch of Union at Featherston, with a membership of forty-three.

Total Fees collected	253
"White Ribbon" Subs. collected	39
New Members Gained	133
New "White Ribbon" Subscribers	18

SCATTERED MEMBERS.

Supt.: Mrs Lee-Cowie.

Although some of the Unions are doing good work in securing "Scattered Members," none had sent in reports at the beginning of the year. I have myself received the names of 33 members, with their fees. I have paid £4 to the N.Z. Treasurer, expenses amounted to £1, and there is a balance of 3s 4d in hand.

EVANGELISTIC AND HOME MEETINGS.

(Supt.: Mrs Johnson Wright.)

Wellington District, Christchurch, Auckland, Wanganui, Nelson, Palmerston North, Ashburton and New Brighton all report devotional exercises at the opening of meetings.

Christchurch, Dunedin, Ashburton, Cobden report regular prayer meetings.

N.E. Valley held two Evangelistic meetings, which were very helpful.

Oxford reports one Evangelistic meeting, and at ordinary meetings a Respon-

sive Roll Call, which each answers by verse.

Bible meetings have been held at Auckland, New Brighton, and Ashburton.

Wanganui and Nelson report Prayer Circles formed for prayer for the International Conference and the coming campaign.

Wellington District hold services at the Alexandra Home, and reports visits to the Old People's Home.

Invercargill holds prayer services on Sunday evening with those unable to leave their homes, and also visit at Victoria Home.

Dunedin distributes Testaments to Chinese, French and English sailors. Visits Soldiers' Hospitals and Homes, and distributes tracts.

Auckland distributes tracts among the Maoris, which they trust will be a blessing to them.

Auckland, New Brighton, Cobden and Ashburton report Bible readings, which have been much appreciated.

Home Meetings.

Ashburton reports concert programmes arranged, and entertainments given to inmates of Taurangi Old Men's Home and Returned Soldiers' Club.

Petone reports monthly home meetings, with addresses, singing and recitations, which have been wonderfully successful with a beautiful spirit prevailing each meeting. Mrs Rowse's birthday party was held in August, when there was a record attendance.

NOTABLE DAYS.

Supt.: Mrs X. Jones.

Nine Branches—Auckland, Wanganui, Manaia, New Plymouth, Christchurch, Invercargill Y's, Nelson, Ashburton, and Wellington—sent reports. Of these, three—Christchurch, Ashburton, and Invercargill Y's—celebrated all the red letter days. Three Unions celebrated three special days, and the remainder two and one respectively.

Several successful home and drawing-room meetings were held and suitable addresses given by ministers and others. Auckland held a large public meeting in the Y.W.C.A. hall, at which Mrs Lee-Cowie, World's Missionary, gave an address. At Manaia members gave five minutes speeches. New Plymouth was favoured with an address by the local Plunket nurse. At Christchurch, Miss Chaplin urged the necessity of getting women on Education Boards and other bodies. Dr. Platts Mills, at Wellington, drew attention to the many humanitarian Acts which had found their way to the Statute Book since women were granted the privilege of voting.

At Nelson reference was made to the International Conference for the consideration of the question of disarmament, and special prayers were offered