



FOR GOD, AND HOME, AND HUMANITY.

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THE MCKER.

(Continued.)

CHAPTER XI.

The morning following the Tennis Ball, Mrs Moore went softly up the stairs of her home. Quietly she opened her daughter's bedroom door and peeped in.

"Come in, mother," said Phyllis, holding out her arms. "Have I overslept shamelessly?"

"No, dear," answered Mrs Moore, much relieved to see a great deal of the exhausted look gone from her daughter's face. "But, Phyllis, the post has come, and there is a letter for you. I thought I would bring it up, dear, and I will leave you awhile to read it. Call if you need me. I will be in my room next door."

She placed the letter in Phyllis's hand and went out, closing the door behind her.

Left alone, Phyllis glanced at the letter, and received a distinct shock to see Billy's handwriting on the envelope. For a moment she hesitated, then opened the envelope, and straightening out the closely-written sheets, commenced to read.

As she read, her mobile, expressive face mirrored many successive emotions,—disgust, anger, sorrow,—but before she had finished the last sheet she wore a calm, peaceful expression, and appeared not unhappy, although her clear grey eyes were misty with unshed tears as she raised them to murmur: "Thank you, dear God; have us all in Thy loving keeping."

For a while she sat quietly thinking, then she remembered her mother waiting anxiously in the next room, and hastily slipping on her dressing gown, she went into Mrs Moore's sitting room.

"Just read it, mother," she said gladly. "I want you to know all, and then you will understand all."

This is what Billy had written:—

"My dearest,—

"When you receive this I shall have passed on to take my chance in the next world, or wherever we poor mortals go when our time here is done, or when, like myself, we find life too much for us and cut loose.

"No doubt, whilst I am writing this, you are wondering what has happened to me. I have given Mrs Bayley the rest of the day off and locked myself in this room to write to you and try to make you understand the reason for what I am about to do to-night. No doubt you will say, at first, 'His brain was unhinged,' but I assure you, Phyllis, that I am as sane as you, and that what I do I do while sound of mind and after mature deliberation.

"It is unnecessary for me to tell you just all you are and have been to me. Suffice it to say you are my life, and when first I won your love I thought we would live in heaven, but alas! for the past few months I have been living in hell itself! And all owing to one wicked woman! For there is no hell for a man like loving one woman entirely and yet being under the thumb of another. You will have guessed I am writing of Rona. For some reason or other she chose to honour (?) me with her affection! When our engagement was announced, she vowed to herself to come between us (all this she has told me since) by fair means or foul. I will not detail the various petty methods she employed to make trouble between us, but owing to your dear unswerving trust in me and my blindness to any woman but you, she failed. What is that saying about 'Hell hath no fury like a woman scorned?' It is

most true, as I have proved to my undoing. She is indeed a fury. Phyl, I may be a rotter, but she is evil incarnate. You know my weakness, dear, and I think you know the effort I made to pull up for your sake. I had the upper hand—I swear it—until Rona found she could not work her will on me. Then she stooped to tempt me through the weak spot in my armour. It was she who was responsible for my condition last night. I had no intention of touching any liquor for toasts or any other reason. I knew my own weakness. Somehow she managed to substitute whisky for the lemonade in my glass. Now, Phyl, whisky was my downfall in the days before I met you. My father and grandfather died of whisky-poisoning. Had Rona put any other liquor for me to drink, I do not think I would have succumbed to its lure, but the smell alone of whisky drives me crazy for it, and the devil must have been very close to Rona's elbow that evening. I am not whining or trying to condone my pitiable weakness, but try, dearest, if you can, to realise the awful temptation, and may your forgiveness be in proportion to that knowledge.

"I have reached my limit, Phyl, for I believe she is planning some rotten scheme to humiliate and hurt you at to-night's ball. I cannot go on and risk making unhappiness for you, so, after hours of indecision, I have decided to end my life and her's to-night, before she can work any harm. I am taking a huge responsibility on my soul, I know, thus to hurl two souls into the Beyond prematurely. But I will shoulder the burden, for I do not wish to live, and she is not fit to. She will never allow me to marry you while she is alive. I cannot kill her and stay here happily, but I will take her with

me, so that she can work no more evil on some other poor soul.

"As for John and Joan, she has never been a mother to them, and you will mother them, won't you, dearest? I have arranged to leave my possessions to you in trust for them, so that they will want for nothing temporal. Their names do not appear in my will, but you will know what to do.

"When you receive this you will know that I have tried to arrange everything so that there will be no scandal and tongue-wagging. I will call for Rona at the Hall and, apparently, be taking her to your home. Anne phoned me about Joan. It was just by luck I heard the 'phone as I went out in the hall for some matches. I will call later in the evening, as I do not think there is anything to be unduly alarmed about. I will also mention to Anne that I will return and bring Rona, so that all unnecessary comment will be squashed.

"Now, my time is getting short, as I have a good deal to do yet. About your dear self! You will not grieve for me, love, I know. Somewhere I will be working and fitting myself to meet you in a better, fairer world. My dearest wish, as I stand thus on the threshold of death, is that later, when the sharpness of your bereavement has passed, you will marry good old Jim, and with him make a gracious home for John and Joan and your children, whom he is, in every way, better fitted to father than I am! I wonder if you can guess what it costs me to give up my dreams of home and little children! Almost I think God may deem my punishment sufficient for my sin!

"And so I must leave you for a while, sweetheart. I know you will be strong and courageous. I am too near the borderline to indulge in any pretences. I know your love for me is a great love that, even this, will not kill, but Phyllis, I could not bear to think of you living the lonely years unaccompanied and unmated. You know my views upon marriage, and how I have always maintained out of my experience that ninety-nine per cent. of happy marriages are founded on friendship, mutual respect, and compatibility of tastes, rather than on passionate love. Jim is the man for you, dear, and soon you will know it, and carry out my dearest wish.

"Adieu, then, until the day breaks.

"Yours truly,

"BILLY."

Three years later the two following notices appeared in the Hinewhareua "Herald":—

PRYOR.—On April 26, 1930, to Phyllis, wife of James Pryor, a son (William), a brother for John.

And lower down, an In Memoriam notice:

In loving remembrance of William Lane King, M.D., who died suddenly, April 26, 1927. Inserted by his loving friends, Jim, Phyllis, Ralph, and Anne.

The End.

SUPERINTENDENTS' LETTERS.

MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE DEPT.

Dear Sisters,—

I am sending out a questionnaire this year, and am hoping to hear that you have made good use of the literature of this department.

Please keep on circulating it, and do not forget to report which leaflets you have found most helpful.

In the February "White Ribbon" you will find Professor Dixon's reply to Lady Horsley, our World's Superintendent, as to what provision climbers can make against exposure to extreme cold. He said: "The most important food is carbohydrate, that is to say, they must have an ample supply of starchy food. . . . The best form of carbohydrate is, of course, ordinary brown sugar. I am not suggesting that they should carry this with them, but it is prepared in a palatable form, which they could easily carry."

I have enquired of several chemists, and am told they know of nothing on sale in New Zealand which answers to this description.

A brown sugar toffee is the next best thing. Make it for the young people the next time they go tramping. One breakfast cup brown sugar; two table-spoons vinegar; two ounces butter. Put sugar and vinegar in saucepan; when sugar is dissolved, add butter, bring to a boil, allow to simmer till a small quantity placed in cold water becomes brittle; pour on a buttered plate, roll into balls or sticks before quite cold. Coat with paraffin wax to prevent its being affected by atmospheric changes.

Yours in White Ribbon bonds,
CLARA M. NEAL,
Dominion Supt. Medical and Scientific
Temperance Dept.
5 Park Crescent, Parnell, Auckland.

PRESS DEPARTMENT.

Dear Fellow-Workers,—

The present year is swiftly passing by, with all its hopes and fears, and the duties of each day have to be faced as they present themselves, as usual. So once again would appeal to our Press Reporters and Secretaries of Unions for brief reports of the work done during the year. The activities of the Unions are many and varied, and well worth recording.

It may not be possible this year, owing to increased postage, etc., to get into touch with each Union, but I would earnestly appeal, through the columns of the "White Ribbon," for a report to be forwarded me before December 31st.

In the past the reports generally have been very gratifying, for which I am very grateful, and I feel sure that the claims of Convention this difficult and memorable year will not be overlooked

by the busy sisters of our beloved organisation.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Believe me, with loving greetings,
yours, for God, Home and Humanity,

EMMA TREVURZA,

Dominion Press Reporter.

HOSTELS, REST AND REFRESHMENT DEPARTMENT.

Will all Unions who have done any work this year in this Department kindly send a report to me not later than December 31st?

MRS UPTON,
215 Guyton Street, Wanganui.

MORAL EDUCATION.

Cape Town, S. Africa,
August, 1931.

Dear Comrades,—

Our World's Convention has passed, but its inspiration continues and deepens, and calls us to fuller consecration of service. In our important Department—Moral Education—we need to emphasise the true educational side.

Remembering we stand for World Purity, let us pledge ourselves to advance the following:—

1. The Christian Moral Standard as the highest in the world.
2. The Home Atmosphere, to make for beauty, truth and goodness; early training in self-control essential.
3. The easy, truthful, natural answering of all questions about sex, instilling reverence and reticence on this subject.
4. Preparation for Adolescence and Marriage. Inculcate that self-repression and self-substitution fall far short of self-control and self-consecration, and that self-control is the highest form of control.

All we can do for the education of our young is possible when we are prepared to claim Divine Wisdom and Power.

Surely God is calling our World's Women's Christian Temperance Union to take its place in the solution of many problems of to-day, and thus through Moral Education help to bring about World Purity.

I trust we may press forward in this important work.

Yours in Fellowship of Service,
MARGARET SHENNAN,
World's Director of Moral Education.

The weakest man is he who falls—

Hold fast, hold fast,
Because the tempter to him calls
Hold fast, hold fast.

The strongest man is he who stands
Unmoved when wrong his work
commands,

And for the RIGHT holds up his
hands,

Hold fast, hold fast.

THE FORWARD MOVEMENT.

	Shillings.
Amount previous acknowledged	45,201½
Ngāere	8
Ponsonby	30
Eltham	12½
North Brighton	44
Pahiatua	2
Te Awamutu	20
Roxburgh White Ribboners' Collection	16½
Total to October 10th, incl.	45,354½

N.Z. TREASURER'S REPORT.

N.Z. FUND.

Spreydon, £1 1s; Ohai, 12s; North Brighton, 10s 6d.

ORGANISING FUND.

Wellington, £3; Te Awamutu, £2 0s 6d; Spreydon, £2 9s 6d; Papanui, £3 10s; Wanganui Central, £4 2s; "A Member of the W.C.T.U.," £5; Brooklyn, £2.

SPECIAL ORGANISING FUND.

Mrs. R. Wilson, Wanganui, 10s.

MAORI FUND.

Ashburton, 7s; Sydenham, 8s; North Brighton, 4s 6d; Pahiatua, 7s.

FRANCHISE DAY COLLECTIONS.

Papanui, 3s 6d; Inglewood "Y's," 5s; Port Albert, 11s 6d; Remuera, 5s; Te Kopuru, 2s 7d; Epsom, 9s 9d; Bainham, 1s 9d; Havelock North, 3s; North Brighton, 5s; Pahiatua, 9s 9d.

Will Treasurers please note that donations to the N.Z. Fund and Organising Fund dues should be paid promptly. The need is urgent!

M. B. LOVELL-SMITH.

October 10th, 1931.

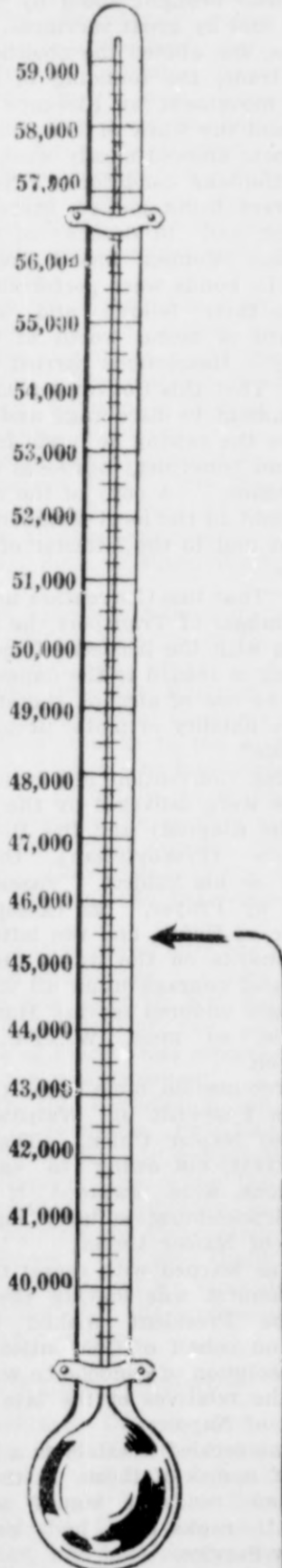
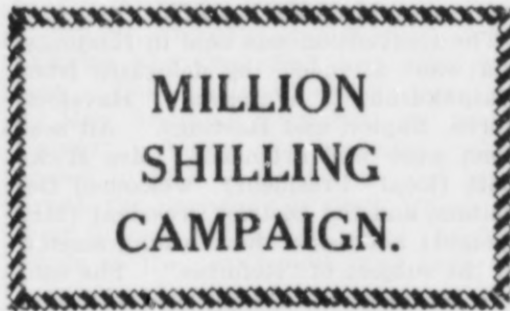
WHITE RIBBONERS!

USE YOUR LITERATURE DEPT.,

46 BROUGHAM STREET, WELLINGTON.

Fresh supplies available for the Cradle Roll, L.T.L., and Band of Hope work.

Inform yourselves by buying literature to give to friends and neighbours.



Watch the Arrow rise month by month.

Total This Month: 45,354½ shillings.
Total Last Month: 45,201½ shillings.

DISTRICT CONVENTIONS.

CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

The Canterbury District Convention, North and South combined, was held in Temuka on October 8-10. Mrs B. H. Low, M.A., President for South Canterbury, presided over a delegation of 40. Owing, no doubt, to the economic situation, a number of the smaller Unions were unable to send delegates.

Reports of Branches, on the whole, showed that good work was being done, and that an optimistic spirit was abroad among our members, enabling them to carry on in spite of difficulties, which in many of the country districts were really acute.

During Convention, Miss Henderson gave her very fine address on "The Present Situation," going back to the small beginnings of our work in New Zealand, and tracing the advance, step by step, the overcoming of obstacles, the heroic and self-sacrificing work of our pioneer women, and the many humanitarian laws which had been placed on the Statutes of our land as the result of the work of the W.C.T.U., to which one indeed felt proud to belong.

Another address worthy of note was that given by Mrs Low on "Disarmament." The whole of the facts were placed so lucidly before the audience that none could fail to realise the great need for whole-hearted co-operation in the interests of World Peace.

The following were among the more important of the resolutions passed by Convention:—

(1) "That this Convention of the North and South Canterbury Districts, representing 2000 members, unanimously endorses the action of their Dominion officers in their opposition to the postponement of the Licensing Poll, and re-affirms its pledge to work till death or victory for the abolition of the liquor traffic."

(2) "That in view of the serious moral damage inflicted on the community by the widespread practice of gambling, this Convention of the W.C.T. Unions of North and South Canterbury make an emphatic protest against the issuing of any more Art Union permits."

(3) "That this Convention of North and South Canterbury Districts, W.C.T.U., urges the N.Z. Government to instruct its delegates to the Disarmament Conference to support progressive world's disarmament."

The following officers were elected:—
North Canterbury District: President, Mrs Richards, Christchurch; Vice-President, Mrs Hall, New Brighton; Secretary, Miss Harband, New Brighton; Treasurer, Mrs Barrell, Riccarton.

South Canterbury: President, Mrs Robinson, Ashburton; Vice-President, Mrs Low, Timaru; Secretary, Mrs Roy, Waimate; Treasurer, Miss A. Oakley, Rakaia.

OTAGO.

Oct. 3. There were about 50 delegates present from the various branches at the Otago District Annual Conven-

tion, held in Balclutha on 17th September.

Mrs Alice Peart (District President) presided, whilst Mrs Hiatt (Dominion Vice-President) and Miss McLay (Dominion Organiser) were present, and rendered valuable assistance.

The morning session was principally devoted to devotions, welcomes, and general business routine.

Last year's officers were re-elected, viz.: President, Mrs Peart; Vice-President, Mrs Bedford; Secretary, Miss A. Gray; Treasurer, Mrs Sanders.

Remits, dealing with Drinking in Cabarets, Women Police, Alcohol in Sweets, Art Unions, and Sunday Trading, were dealt with.

Miss McLay gave a most interesting address, dealing with the evils resulting from the drink traffic. At evening meeting Rev. A. Waite also dealt extensively with the drink curse, and referred to the postponement of the No-License Poll, which action he deplored. Miss C. Newson and Miss M. Murray rendered vocal items in the afternoon, and in the evening meeting Messrs D. Kaye, W. Henderson, and A. H. Dreaver sang a negro spiritual, whilst Miss Gray contributed a vocal item.

The usual votes of thanks terminated a very successful gathering.

NELSON.

The Nelson District Convention met in Burrough House on September 16th. The room looked very pleasing with flowers, posters, and charts. A fair number of delegates and friends present. Devotions were led by Miss Cooke, District President, basing her remarks on Rev., chap. iv., "Christ the Centre." President spoke of the illness of Mrs T. E. Taylor and Mrs Burroughs. Decided to send greetings and sympathy. Miss Cresswell gave the Temperance Fact, and spoke on the relationship of the Christian Church to the Temperance question. Reports from officers were read and adopted. The President welcomed Miss Kirk, who said she thoroughly appreciated the welcome. The Dominion officers' message to the Nelson Union was "Go joyfully forward in the work of our God." Miss Kirk spoke on the Dominion Convention. Noontide devotions were taken by Mrs Telenius. After luncheon, Mrs Field led the meeting, and read a review of the book, "Who is This Jesus?" Miss Kirk continued her address, and spoke on the Union. Officers elected: Miss Cooke, President; Miss Cresswell, Secretary; Miss Pethe- rick, Treasurer—all re-elected. Vote of thanks to the speaker. Convention closed with the Benediction.

The following day Miss Kirk presided over a large gathering of mothers and children. Mrs Watson welcomed the visitors, and spoke of the good work of the Superintendent of the Cradle Roll, which stands at over 500. Over 60 children were present, and 58 received the eighth year certificate. Afternoon tea was served to all.

HAWKE'S BAY.

The Convention was held in Hastings, and was attended by delegates from Waipukurau, Waipawa, Havelock North, Napier, and Hastings. All sessions were well attended. Mrs Hickmott (local President) welcomed the visitors, and the District President (Mrs Speight) addressed the morning session on the subject of "Reforms." She said that the great reforms of the world had only been brought about by slow processes and by great sacrifices. As instances, she quoted the abolition of the slave trade, the founding of the Red Cross movement by Florence Nightingale, and the work of Frances Willard.

Reports showed steady work, in spite of earthquake conditions. New members were being gained, literature distributed, and in dozens of ways the Christian women linked together by W.C.T.U. bonds were performing a service to their fellows and setting a standard of moral worth in the community. Resolutions carried were:

(1) "That this Convention urges the Government to discourage and discountenance the raising of funds for charitable and benevolent purposes by public Art Unions." A copy of the resolution to be sent to the local Members of Parliament and to the Minister of Internal Affairs.

(2) "That this Convention urges upon the Minister of Transport the need for issuing with the licenses of motorists a warning in regard to the danger arising from the use of alcohol, thereby reducing the liability of motor accidents and fatalities."

During Convention inspirational addresses were delivered by the Rev. E. Nicholls (Baptist) and the Rev. D. J. A. Shaw (Presbyterian), the former taking as his subject "Passion Sublimated by Prayer," as exemplified by the life of Elijah, and the latter basing his remarks on the words "Hold On." He urged courage amid all difficulties. As Moses endured serving Him Who is invisible, so must W.C.T.U. women "hold on."

A presentation table cover (the work of Mrs Pepperill, of Waipawa) was awarded Napier Union. They gained it for 1931, but owing to earthquake conditions, were awarded it for 1932. Mrs Brocklehurst suitably replied on behalf of Napier Union.

It was learned with regret that Mrs Brocklehurst was leaving the district, and the President wished her God-speed on behalf of Convention.

A resolution of condolence was passed with the relatives of the late Mrs E. Dodds, of Napier.

It was decided to establish a Memorial Roll of names of those in the district who had rendered signal service in W.C.T.U. ranks and had passed to Higher Service.

Musical items were rendered by Mesdames McArthur and Oliver and Miss Hill, and Mrs J. Bibby, of Waipawa, entertained Convention with blackboard sketches.

All officers were re-elected, with the exception of that of Vice-President, to which Mrs J. Bibby was elected.

Vote of thanks was accorded the local Union for their hospitality and the spring bouquets which they presented to the officers and speakers.

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Convention held at Hamilton on September 23rd, 1931.

Convention was called to order by the District President, Mrs Jones, J.P., at 10.30 a.m., the delegates and friends having previously been entertained at morning tea by the Hamilton Union.

After the customary opening exercises, Mrs Peryman led in devotions, and gave a very heartening address. We were passing through a period of depression, the speaker said. This was bad, but to be devoid of hope was worse. While practical Christianity was to be found in churches, there was too often practical atheism as well, practised by those people who persist in talking gloom and pessimism when we should believe that in the joy of the Lord lies our strength, and like Paul and Silas, who in prison sang praises to God in the night. We should rejoice in the Lord alway. How often we act and pray as if God were bankrupt, forgetting that it is in "accord to faith" that we receive what we pray for. If we are to have power and strength, we must wait on the Lord, and so keep the connection between ourselves as co-workers with God, who is the powerhouse, and thus we become live wires in His service.

The delegates were here welcomed by His Worship the Mayor, Dr. Pinfold, on behalf of the town. His Worship expressed the hope that the decisions of Convention would be wise and judicious. He went on to say that much of the education of girls of to-day was "not worth twopence" in the light of the requirements of the home-maker and housewife, referring to the economic waste in teaching girls such subjects as trigonometry and algebra, for which many of them had no use, and which would soon be forgotten.

Rev. Hocking extended a welcome on behalf of the Ministers' Association, and Mr White on behalf of the N.Z. Alliance, who stated that he believed that many in the community were neutral for want of Temperance education.

The roll call was responded to by delegates from Cambridge, Fencourt, Hamilton, Hamilton East, Morrinsville, Te Awamutu, Te Kuiti, and Ngaruahia.

The noontide prayer was led by Mrs Stephenson Craig, of Hamilton East Union, and Mrs Easter, of Cambridge, after which Mrs Peryman supplied useful and up-to-date information regarding headquarters, now happily causing less anxiety regarding mortgages.

The afternoon session was opened by devotions led by Mrs Starnes, District Vice-President, of Morrinsville Union.

The District Secretary's report stated that, on the whole, the reports sent in were distinctly encouraging. There is an increase of membership, and much intelligent and educative work is being done, but the smaller branches need fostering and encouraging. As far as

possible the District officers do this, but lack of funds has proved an obstacle to the District President's usual visits this year. She has, however, visited Thames, Hamilton East, and Te Awamutu, and the District Secretary visited Fencourt, Cambridge, and Te Awamutu.

A short musical programme was followed by afternoon tea, dispensed by the Hamilton East members.

District President's address followed, was read and adopted, and covered a wide field.

Mrs Peryman spoke on the poll postponement, and urged Unions to educate for victory at next poll.

Officers elected: Pres., Mrs Jones, Hamilton; Vice-Pres., Mrs Starnes, Morrinsville; Sec., Mrs Stephenson Craig, Hamilton East, and Mrs Davey, Hamilton.

The following resolution was carried unanimously:—"That this Convention heartily endorses the action of our Dominion officers in opposing the postponement of the Licensing Poll."

MANAWATU DISTRICT.

The Manawatu District Convention was held on Wednesday, September 30th, in the Century Hall, Levin.

On Tuesday evening, the 29th, a public meeting of welcome to delegates was tendered by the local Union. The platform had been tastefully arranged in drawing-room fashion, and beautifully decorated with bowls and vases of flowers.

The Mayor and Mayoress (Mr and Mrs C. Blenkhorn) were present, the former to take the chair. Also present were: District President, Miss Lee, of Otaki; Mrs Cummins, President of the Levin Union; Mrs Peryman; Captain Lee and Lieut. Goffin, of Salvation Army. Pretty posies were presented by Mrs Cummins to the three other ladies.

Some introductory remarks were made by Miss Lee, who explained that the Convention was to be held mainly for the spiritual strengthening of the members for the work they had in hand. The Manawatu District was most grateful to the Levin friends for their kindness in having Convention in their town. The speaker thanked the Mayor for being present at the meeting, over which she then asked him to preside.

His Worship welcomed the delegates to Levin, and hoped that their deliberations would be for the betterment of their organisation and of the country's social life at large. It was his earnest wish and desire that the movement should make progress. He said a large welcome was due to Mrs Peryman, who was the Editor of the official paper, the "White Ribbon," and a well-known public speaker, and a lady who was always to the fore in any social work.

Mrs Peryman then gave a very helpful and interesting address.

On Wednesday morning Convention opened at 9.15 a.m. Miss Lee (District President) was in the chair. Delegates from Feilding, Apiti, Ballance, Palmerston North, Otaki, and Levin were pre-

sent. Apologies were received from Woodville, Pahiatua, and Foxton. Miss Douglas, the Organiser, was also present. The opening devotions were led by Mrs Cummins (President of Levin Union). Votes of sympathy were passed to Mrs T. E. Taylor and Miss Grant, the Secretary of Otaki Union, in their illness. Miss Lee spoke a few words on the year's work, and gave an indication of what might be accomplished if more interest was taken in the work. The Secretary's report and Treasurer's balance-sheet were read and adopted. Delegates' reports of year's work were most interesting, showing that good work was being done by the Unions in the District, which was very encouraging. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mrs Ritchie (Palmerston North) for the Scientific Facts which she supplied each month to the Unions.

The noontide hymn was sung, and Mrs Peryman led in prayer for our work in the Dominion and for the whole world. The election of officers resulted as follows:— District Pres., Mrs Paterson, Pahiatua; Vice-Pres., Mrs Sorensen, Levin; District Sec., Mrs Young; District Treas., Mrs Kennerly, Levin (re-elected); Supt. of Scientific Facts, Mrs Ritchie, Palmerston North (re-elected); Supt. of Maori Work, Miss Lee, Otaki.

After the luncheon adjournment, the afternoon session was opened by Miss Lee with hymn and prayer. A wire was received from the Hastings Convention for a successful Convention. A hearty vote of thanks to the members of the Levin Union, who had worked so untiringly at all details, to which was largely attributable the comfort of delegates and the great success of the Convention. Cordial thanks are due to Mrs Nye, who supplied the posies and the flowers.

The Convention closed with the pledge and a hymn and prayer. A very helpful address was given by Mrs Peryman on the postponement of the poll. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded her. Afternoon tea was dispensed. Meeting closed with the Benediction, all feeling a very profitable time had been spent. We tender our special thanks to Mrs Peryman, who, when the call came, responded so willingly, and so helped in making the Convention such a great success. We also thank Miss Chalk, Mr Hodder, and Mr Vincent, who kindly contributed to the programme on the Tuesday evening.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

The Auckland District Convention was held in the Y.W.C.A. Assembly Hall on the 9th and 10th of September. A reception to welcome the Dominion President, Mrs T. E. Taylor, and visiting delegates, was held on the evening of the 8th. Sir George Fowlds presided, and paid a striking tribute to the work of the Union with his opening remarks. A welcome was extended by Mrs Cook, President of the entertaining Union, who presented Mrs T. E. Taylor, also Mrs Richards, the retiring District President, with bouquets of daffodils

and anemones. Greetings from other organisations were extended by Mr L. S. Francis on behalf of the Independent Order of Rechabites, Mr Louis E. Falkner for the Auckland Area of the New Zealand Alliance, Miss Bentham for the Y.W.C.A., Mr Blakey for the Council of Christian Congregations, Miss Quayle for the National Council of Women, and Mrs Brigadier Cottrill for the Salvation Army. During the evening songs were sung by Mrs H. T. King and Mrs Craig, the latter singing a song of her own composition. Mrs Taylor conveyed greetings from the New Zealand officers. In speaking on the subject of postponement of the Licensing Poll, she said that the Temperance party had been made the spokesman of the Liquor Traffic, and the suggestion in the first place did not come from the Alliance, but from the breweries. The position had to be faced, she said, and it was our business as women to face it as they had done for the past forty years. The women of New Zealand as a whole had not realised their responsibilities, said Mrs Taylor, who urged them to fight for power to exercise their rights and to watch that we do not have any more hard-won privileges and rights taken away from us by the enemy of the children of New Zealand.

The Convention opened on Wednesday morning, Mrs Morgan Richards presiding. Upwards of 80 officers and delegates, representing 24 Adult Unions and 5 Y Branches, answered the roll call. Greetings were received from Mrs Lee-Cowie, of Honolulu, also North and South Canterbury District Convention. The report of the Executive work, submitted by the Recording Secretary, gave evidence of much activity in a large field of work. The Corresponding Secretary's report of Unions working throughout the District showed that steady progress was being maintained; while the Treasurer's report and balance-sheet showed a credit balance.

Following the luncheon adjournment, an inspiring address was given by Mrs W. J. Williams, of Christchurch. The speaker told how wine-growing countries of Europe had banded together to teach children wine drinking, and urged the necessity for educating children to see the danger of alcohol. Mrs T. E. Taylor also delivered an instructive and inspiring address, her subject being, by special request, "The Postponement of the Licensing Poll." Afternoon tea was served by the Baptist Ladies' Guild, and a song of her own composition was sung by Mrs Craig, which was much enjoyed. The election of officers resulted as follows:—District President, Mrs Kasper; Vice-President, Miss Read; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs Carr; Recording Secretary, Mrs Johnston; Treasurer, Mrs Taylor.

In the evening a Model L.T.L. meeting, also a Model Y meeting, was demonstrated, having been specially requested by several country Unions. The venture proved most interesting and a decided success.

On Thursday morning, following devotions, the District Superintendents' reports were read and fully discussed. Following the noontide hymn, sung by Mrs Craig, and prayer, election of District Superintendents: Bible in Schools, Mrs Cook; Birthday League, Mr Day; Little White Ribboners, Mrs Johnston; L.T.L. and Band of Hope, Miss Read; Prison Reform and Good Citizenship, Mrs Bragge; L.T.L. in Public Schools, Miss Fyfe; Maori Work, Miss Adams; Home Meetings, Mrs Hayr; Anti-Gambling, Mrs Eccersall; Peace and Arbitration, Mrs Hunter; Evangelistic, Mrs Richards; "White Ribbon," Mrs Fenton. The Resolutions Committee, Mesdames Neal, Kasper, Hamilton, Taylor, Williams, and Miss Read, considered the following resolutions:—

(1) "That this Convention views with alarm the increased facilities for gambling, and directs the attention of the Government to the fact that little heed has been given to the protest made by important bodies from time to time against Art Unions."

(2) "That this Convention makes further protest against Sunday pictures, and will do all in its power to prevent same."

Sister Eleanor Dobby gave an account of her work among the northern Maori Unions in the Hokianga District.

Afternoon tea was served by the Beresford Street Congregational Church ladies. Mrs Morgan Richards, the retiring President, recalled the formation of the first District Executive eight years ago, and referred to the noble women, both past and present, in our organisation. Appreciative letters of remembrance to aged members and of sympathy to others bereaved and in trouble were directed to be forwarded by Mrs Carr, Convention Letter-Writer. The Question Box was dealt with, after which Mrs Taylor conducted the concluding service of Convention, which brought to a close a very successful and happy gathering.

REPORT! REPORT! REPORT!

WORK AMONG SEAMEN.

Please answer the following questions, and send replies to Mrs Norrie, 100 Beverley Road, Timaru, by December 31st, 1931:—

1. Does your Union take interest in the work of seamen?
2. Does your Union have a special day, when the work among seamen is brought under the notice of members?
3. Does your Union send literature of any kind?
4. Do members make comfort bags for seamen?
5. Do members visit sick seamen in hospital and take flowers and fruit?
6. Do members help to entertain seamen in their homes or elsewhere?

Unions who live in non-seaport towns could do some of these things: knit a scarf, a pair of socks, or make a comfort bag.

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The Southland District Convention will be held in Stobo Hall, Invercargill, on November 11th, at 10 a.m. Branches are requested to send in remits and resolutions, and to have reports in the hands of the Executive Secretary not later than October 11th.

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WELLINGTON, OCTOBER 18, 1931.

ETERNAL VIGILANCE.

Once more we have been forcibly reminded of the old saying, "Eternal vigilance is the price of safety." Rights won by long struggle may be lost if we are not alert and watchful. Our stalwarts of old won for us the right to a vote on the Licensing issue at every triennial election. The Trade have ever been anxious to lengthen this term, and now they have succeeded in getting it lengthened for this one time. It is the thin end of the wedge. We are pleased to see that our District Conventions everywhere realised this. Unions everywhere have awakened to the fact that we must sacrifice to keep what has been won for us at such a cost. They have resolved everywhere to carry on our educational work with renewed vigour. There is to be no slackening of our efforts because the Poll has been postponed. The Poll is only an incident in our long campaign for a dry Dominion. We are to be ready whenever the vote is taken. By voice and pen, the spoken and the written word, make all the facts of the racial menace of alcohol known.

PESSIMISM!

At a District Convention, a speaker, commenting on the pessimism of some leaders, who have tried to convince White Ribboners that there is no immediate hope of winning Prohibition, said: "It is criminal of a leader to express doubt of victory in a righteous cause. Suppose an officer leading out his men to an attack told them they had no hope of winning the battle, but they must go on. What would you do to such an officer?" A voice from the audience replied, "Take him behind the lines and shoot him." "Just what he would deserve," replied the speaker.

MEMBERSHIP RETURNS.

AUGUST 8th-OCTOBER 8th.

ADULTS.

South Dunedin	---	---	---	8
Devonport, Ohai	7 each	---	---	14
Hastings, Gore	5 each	---	---	10
Otautau	---	---	---	4
Hamilton, Blenheim	3 each	---	---	6
Orepuki, Ryal Bush, Riccarton	2 each	---	---	6
Lawrence, Christchurch, Sydenham, Brooklyn, Hamilton, North Brighton	1 each	---	---	6
Total for Two Months	---	---	---	54

Congratulations to Mungakarama, Opotiki, and Tua Marina on having all members financial.—B. M. Harband.

Y's.

A hearty welcome to two new Y Branches—One at Waikini, organised in August with 11 members, with an additional 2 in September; the other at Invercargill South, with 15 members.

New Members.

Invercargill	---	---	---	8
Bluff	---	---	---	7
Pleasant Point, Dunedin	4 each	---	---	8
Johnsonville	---	---	---	2
Total for Two Months	---	---	---	49

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No. 1 REPORTS.

ARAMOHO.—Sept. 24. Very good attendance. A letter was read and papers were signed on "The World Disarmament Problem." Mrs. Whiteside, our delegate to District Convention, submitted her report. A letter of sympathy to be sent to Mrs. T. E. Taylor. A minute's silence was also observed, in memory of Miss Gordon. A Bring and Buy held. Jubilee Home visited last month. Cradle Roll Afternoon for next meeting.

BALFOUR.—Sept. 18. Annual and successful "Pound Afternoon," in aid of Victoria Home, Invercargill. Good attendance; visitors from Invercargill and Lumsden. Sympathy with Mesdames McDonald, Cowie, George and Stevens. Solos by Mrs. Pryde and Miss Rasmussen. Recitations by Miss Humphries and Sligo. Addresses by Miss McLay ("Our Heritage") and Mrs. Fairbairn ("Work of Victoria Home.") Votes of thanks to all helpers. One new member.

BALLANCE.—Sept. Mrs. Hancock presided over a good attendance, and Miss Douglas gave an inspiring address on "Temperance, Faith, Work and Vision." Mrs. Sinclair, our eldest member, presented Miss Douglas with a beautiful bouquet. The Scientific fact, "Cocktails." Decided that Miss Gibson attend District Convention as delegate. Miss Douglas thanked for her helpful address. Afternoon tea.

BROOKLYN.—Sept. 22. Mrs. Sawden in the chair. Exceptionally good gathering and most inspiring meeting. Our beloved President, Mrs. Sawden, was cordially welcomed back after several months' illness. Mrs. Pickering read the report of two meetings called by Wellington Area Council re the Licensing Poll postponement. Mrs. D. R. Kennedy sang "There Were Ninety and Nine." Mrs. Brewer read Annual Report for District Convention. Mrs. Gillings delegate to District Convention. Decided to send letter of appreciation to Mrs. Thompson, thanking her for the wonderful work done as Secretary since our branch started three years ago. Members to visit Mesdames Doney and Keeble, who are unable to attend the meetings. Mrs. Baudinet gave a splendid address on "Frances Willard, her Life and Work for the W.C.T.U.," and was thanked. Presbyterian ladies were hostesses.

BIRKENHEAD.—Sept. 3. Meeting at Mrs. Berry's; 19 present. Mrs. Ross, from California, in a short talk, told of the advantages of Prohibition in America. Next meeting to be in Zion Schoolroom. Mrs. Berry provided afternoon tea. Votes of thanks to speaker and hostess.

BELFAST.—Sept. 9. Address by Miss Harband on "The Man who Changed His Occupation," which was most interesting. Decided to hold Church Rally last Sunday in September, in Presbyterian Church. Next meeting Bring and Buy Sale and report of delegate to District Convention.

BAINHAM.—Sept. 10. The President read out of the "White Ribbon" about Willard Children's Home. The Vice-President gave a Temperance fact on "Alcohol." Collection was taken up for the Willard Fund.

DEVONPORT.—Sept. Mrs. Williams presiding. The members representing the Union at the District Convention gave very fine reports. Mrs. Williams read a paper on the "Franchise." The hostess for the afternoon was Mrs. Sherley.

EPSOM.—Sept. 24. Good attendance. Report of District Convention read by Miss Katterfeldt, also extracts from "What New Zealand Women Have Gained Since 1893." were given by the Secretary. The meeting proved very helpful, and led to interesting discussion. A Bring and Buy Table added to the funds. Next meeting, "Maori Day."

FEILDING.—Oct. 1. Combined Pay-up and Cradle Roll Social; good attendance of both adults and children. A paper dealing

with work among the Maoris, supplied by Miss Adams, read by Mrs. Spence. Mrs. Terry gave an address on the "Power of Prayer." Songs and recitations given by the children; each child received a balloon and bag of sweets.

GREYMOUTH.—Sept. Small attendance. Mrs. Burrell read the inspiring Leader, "Live Wires," from the "White Ribbon." Resolved to celebrate Maori Day next meeting, and to take up a collection for the Fund. Secretary to write Miss Adams for a pamphlet on "Maori Work."

HENDERSON.—Sept. Annual Bring and Buy; small attendance through sickness. Reports of delegates from District Convention received. Mrs. Williams spoke of first day's proceedings, and Mrs. Eleoat gave a very fine report of second day, and much interested discussion followed. Resolved to repeat Pledge at our meetings, also Temperance fact, to get all members to take part. A speaker to be asked for our next meeting. Maori Day. Afternoon tea.

HAWERA.—Sept. 29. Mrs. Exley presided; large gathering. Cradle Roll Day and Bring and Buy for Seamen's Mission, £3 raised. Mrs. Williams read a fine paper to mothers on "The Love for Little Children." Three new members. The Union most emphatically denied having any part in postponing the Licensing Poll; indignation does not express its feeling. The young folks gave recitations, violin solos and songs; all much appreciated by the mothers. A bouquet was presented to Mrs. Blischoff as a token of appreciation for her long term of office as Superintendent of Cradle Roll.

HASTINGS.—Sept. 24. Well attended meeting; President in the chair. Miss Taylor gave an interesting address on "The Work of British and Foreign Bible Society," especially pointing out how, when the power of the printed Word was felt in the heart and life of men and women, the power of alcohol was overthrown. Spring flower posy presented to Miss Taylor, who stated it was the first she ever remembered receiving. Afternoon tea and musical items contributed to a happy gathering. One new member.

KAITANGATA (Otago).—Sept. 24. Afternoon and evening meetings, which were fairly well attended, were held here to-day, when a visit was paid by Miss A. M. McLay, Dominion Organizer. In the afternoon, Miss McLay, who was accompanied by Miss Tosh, of the Balclutha Branch, addressed a meeting of women on "The Aims and Objects of the W.C.T.U.," and, after some discussion, it was decided that a branch be formed. In the evening, Miss McLay again addressed a public meeting, at the close of which ten members were initiated, and the following officers appointed:—Pres., Mrs. Smith, "Greenlea," Kaitangata; Sec., Mrs. McAllister, Eddystone Street; Treas., Mrs. Brown, Eddystone Street.

KUMEU.—Oct. 1. At Mrs. D. Barnes'; even present. Welcome extended to Mrs. Martin, and confidence expressed in her as President. Lengthy discussion on the Peace and Disarmament questions and petitions signed. Afternoon tea.

LAWRENCE.—Sept. 15. Good attendance. Devotions. Paper on "Franchise Day," read by Mrs. King. Union visited by Miss McLay during last month. She addressed Sunday Schools, Bible Class and Women's Meeting, and did District visiting. Delegates appointed to District Convention.

LOWER HUTT.—Ten present, many absent through sickness. Reported that the Disarmament Petition is being signed by many of our Church people. Capitation fees passed for payment. Treasurer reported £4 12s 1d. in hand. Members asked to remember the Sailors' Rest Homes, and to make hold-alls for Xmas. Several suggestions made for those of our members who might be at the District Executive Meeting in Masterton next week. Maori Day to be held next month. Mrs. Lopdell to be the speaker.

NELSON.—Sept. 8. Adjutant Briddock gave a very interesting address on "Women's Influence." Miss Cooke gave the Temperance fact, "Alcohol as a Poison." Delegates appointed to District Convention. A vote of sympathy passed to one of our late members. Next meeting, Pay-up Social.

NGARUAWAHIA.—Sept. Seven members present; President in the chair. Reading taken from "White Ribbon." Afternoon tea served.

OWAKA.—Sept. 9. Small attendance, owing to sickness and stormy day. Rev. A. L. Silcock gave a very fine address on "Our Responsibility—The Postponed Poll," stressing the need of strong, personal conviction and influence. President appointed delegate to District Convention. World Disarmament Petitions handed out for signatures.

OTAHUHU.—Sept. 17. A full report of District Convention was given by Mesdames Burman, Eccersall and Muir, which was much appreciated. Paper on "Woman's Franchise" read by Mrs. Eccersall.

ONEHUNGA.—Sept. 16. Small attendance; many members sick. Short prayers by members at opening devotions. Report of District Convention, followed by discussion. We wished success to newly-formed I.O.G.T. Lodge.

Sept. 23. Home meeting at Mrs. Hunter's; only seven present; many apologies on account of sickness. Discussion on some parts of our work and social hour. Dainty tea provided by our hostess.

OTOROAHANGA.—Sept. Eleven members present; Mrs. Burton presided. An address was given by Rev. Silvester, and much enjoyed by all. Afternoon tea.

OHAKUNE.—Sept. 10. Attendance fair; weather wet. Report of District Convention read by delegate. All members signed "World Disarmament Petition." "Franchise Day" to be subject for next meeting. Hymn and prayer, and afternoon tea.

OHAU.—Sept. 14. Very good attendance; Mrs. Balneaves presided. Franchise Day meeting. Social hour was spent. Letter sent to School Committee, requesting Bible Reading be introduced into the School. Seven new members. Rev. Campbell spoke on important position women held in world Movements of to-day, and their ability to cope with these conditions. Congratulated Union on its work and its growth. Miss Raper sang "My Task" and "In a Garden." Mr. Lamb sang a well-known hymn. Rev. Ashworth gave a short address, tracing the W.C.T.U. Movement and congratulating the workers of a great Cause. Mrs. Martin recited "The Master and the Bairns." Supper was dispensed.

POSSONBY.—Sept. 17. Miss Read presided. Reports of the District Convention given by Mrs. Young and Mrs. Turnbull. Being Franchise Day, a paper was read by Miss Read on "How the Women of New Zealand Won the Franchise." Bring and Buy Sale and afternoon tea.

RUNANGA.—Sept. 2. Six present. Apologies received from those absent. The President, Mrs. Rae, conducted the meeting, which opened with hymn and devotional prayer. Articles from "White Ribbon" read by Mrs. Southward. Extract from book received from Nelson Library read. The ladies present supplied a dainty supper.

RANGIORA.—Sept. 25. Interesting meeting; good attendance. Mrs. McKechnie gave a detailed and very interesting report of the District Convention. Mrs. Taylor reported that, up to date, the Union had sent in 120 signatures to the World's Disarmament Petition. One new member. Mrs. Coey welcomed back after a long illness.

STYX.—Sept. Fair attendance. A combined meeting was arranged, also Home meeting on October 6th. Several members have Disarmament Petition Forms. Last Band of Hope September 21st; Social Evening. Six of our L.T.L. children have entered for the Scientific Temperance Exam. Prayer meetings arranged for.

SEDDON.—Sept. At Mrs. Gainsford's; ten present; Mrs. Reilly presided. Mrs. Schurr appointed delegate to District Convention. Several members signified their intention of attending Convention. Mrs. Crockett prepared and read an interesting paper entitled, "Our Position in the World To-day as Children of God." This was much appreciated by all present. Afternoon tea.

STRATFORD.—Sept. Mrs. McCallum in the chair. Resolved that a letter be sent to our Mayor, Mr. P. Thompson, congratulating him on the stand he took at the meeting of the Borough Council, against drinking in cars outside dance halls. Afternoon tea for the Hospital for October was arranged. Mrs. McCallum gave a Temperance fact.

SPREYDON.—Sept. 8. Mrs. Petrie occupied the chair. Being Question Day, some interesting subjects were discussed. Literature on the "World's Disarmament Petition" was given out. A social cup of tea was

enjoyed. Hostesses were Mrs. Erikson and Mrs. Murray. Mrs. J. Voss closed the meeting with prayer and the Benediction.

S. INVERCARGILL.—Sept. 8. Joy and sadness intermingled at the news of the resignation of our beloved President, Mrs. Pasley, who has accepted the position of Superintendent of and the responsibility of re-organising the "Y." Branch. Mrs. Gilmore (recently returned from Christchurch) elected President. An address on "Characteristics" was given by Mrs. Reidy.

TE AWAMUTU.—Sept. 17. Mrs. T. N. Olson presided; good attendance. Delegates appointed to District Convention. Miss Young, Organising Secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, gave an interesting address on "The Aims and Objects of the Society." Over 7,000 Bibles are now placed in the bedrooms of boarding houses and hotels for the use of the travelling public. Vote of thanks to Miss Young. Afternoon tea.

TE KUITI.—Sept. Fair attendance. Decided to have Bring and Buy Afternoon in October for Headquarters' Fund. A very instructive address was given by Adjutant Jenkins. Two delegates appointed to District Convention. Decided to get signatures to Disarmament Petition. Sympathy with several members who were indisposed. Welcomed one new member. Afternoon tea kindly provided by Mrs. J. Nicholls.

TUA MARINA.—Sept. 15. Methodist Parsonage. Franchise Day; Mrs. Burroughs presided; fair attendance. Mrs. Robinson appointed delegate to District Convention. Decided to hold Social Afternoon at the home of Mrs. Wood, with Bring and Buy Sale, next month. Motion to forward letter to Head of Police Force, Blenheim, drawing attention to flagrant breaches of the Law in the conduct of hotel, unanimously carried. Address by Rev. Keen, of Picton, on "The Winning of the Franchise and its Results;" much appreciated. Afternoon tea enjoyed.

WAIKUKU.—Sept. 25. Mrs. Anderson presided; six present. Next meeting to be a special effort for Maori work, and at residence of Mrs. McEwen. Delegate's report held over for a fuller meeting.

WANGANUI CENTRAL.—Oct. 1. Mrs. Page in the chair; good meeting; attendance fair. Secretary reported having informed the new Minister of Education, our Union's wishes, regarding Bible-in-Schools. Members were asked to support the local effort re sending Xmas gifts to patients in Mental Hospital. Secretary to write to Hon. Mr. Masters, asking that the Scientific Temperance Lesson be more fully stressed in our State Schools. Birthday League formed, Mrs. Connybeer, Junr., Superintendent. £4 10s. sent to Organizing Fund. Paper read called "Live Wires." Fact read, "There is as much room for sand in a machine, as for alcohol in the human system." Franchise paper read; collection taken for N.Z. Funds. Educational facts reported from "W.R. Bulletin" for local paper reports.

No. 2 REPORTS.

ASHBURTON.—Sept. 29. Sister Mildred presided. Good attendance. Votes of sympathy passed with bereaved friends. Decided to assist Plunket Society with T.L.C. on Labour Day, and committee set up. Arrangements were made for a meeting to be addressed by Miss Henderson, J.P., on October 20, other organisations to be invited to be present; also for a visit from Miss McLay, Organiser. Interesting reports of Temuka Convention given by delegates. Congratulations extended to Mrs. Robinson on being elected President of S.C.D. Union; also to Hon. D. Jones, as Minister of Agriculture. Mrs. Stone and Mrs. Aitkenhead to take charge of Rest Tent on Show Day. Reference made to Maori Day, and collection taken. £2 voted to S.C. District funds.

BIRKENHEAD.—Oct. 1. Mrs. Todd gave a short report of District Convention. At our next meeting a collection is to be taken up for Wellington Headquarters. Election of officers, the only alterations being Mrs. Avery, the Parsonage, President, and Mesdames Todd and Jory as Vice-Presidents. Next meeting to be at Mrs. Todd's. Afternoon tea served by Miss Jory.

CHRISTCHURCH.—Sept. 9. Mrs. Adkins presided. Decided to place on record the

Union's appreciation of the fine stand taken by Mr. J. McCombs, M.P., in championing the women's viewpoint in the recent debate in Parliament on the Licensing Poll Postponement Bill. Franchise Day. Mrs. J. McCombs gave a brief outline of her experience and work on the City Council and Hospital Board. She also stressed the need for women of high ideals and broad views to stand for election on local and public Boards. A special training was needed, and it was suggested that the study of "Civics" be included in the syllabus of the Y Branches.

Sept. 23. Miss Henderson presided. Report of the recent Provincial Convention, held at Temuka, was read by Mrs. Day. The Convention was successful in every way, attended by thirty-nine delegates. The functions and meetings were a success, and Temuka may be congratulated on its first attempt of entertaining a Convention.

CARTERTON.—Sept. A vote of sympathy was passed to Mrs. Jones in her sad bereavement. Decided to send £2 and a box of clothing to Willard Home. Mrs. Shirly gave a reading, "Be Prepared." Miss Waterston gave excellent report on Convention. Thanks received from Miss Kirk for vegetables sent. A tribute was paid to the passing of Anna A. Gordon. A reunion of old members, in form of a social afternoon, to be held. Mrs. Jones and Mrs. King were hostesses for afternoon.

FOXTON.—Sept. 16. Mrs. Ross presided. Good attendance. Cradle Roll afternoon, a fair number of mothers and little White Ribboners present. Elocutionary items given by the children, and a short address by Mrs. Ross. Dainty afternoon tea provided by the members, after which Mrs. Huntly took some snaps of the children and mothers. A happy afternoon was brought to a close by the Benediction.

GORE.—Sept. 30. Good attendance. The President presided. Solo by Miss Wylie, recitation Mrs. Rose, instrumental trio Mrs. Blackmore, Misses White and Tayles. Band of Hope concert in aid of Willard Home to be held at end of October, and Annual Bring and Buy Sale at next meeting. Mrs. Harper delegate to District Convention. Rev. Armstrong spoke on "Let her alone: she hath done what she could." One new member. Supper dispensed.

KARORI.—Oct. 6. Well-attended meeting. Report of the Convention was read and discussed. Mrs. Brigadier Glover gave a splendid talk on her work. Afternoon tea handed around.

LINWOOD.—Sept. 29. Good attendance. Mrs. J. Richards presided. Mrs. Straw read scientific fact on "Alcohol and Education." A splendid report of Temuka Convention given by Mrs. Roberts, who was congratulated on her work. Decided to hold pay-up social on 17th November. Afternoon tea dispensed.

LEVIN.—Sept. 11. Mrs. Cummins presided. Good attendance. Decided to ask Miss Douglas to visit Levin for a week, and address the combined Bible Classes, and to hold two Home Meetings. Arrangements for the forthcoming Convention were discussed. Scientific facts read.

LEIGH.—Sept. At Mrs. Grigg's. Fair attendance. Mrs. D. A. Matheson in the chair. Mrs. Woodcock read an account of the Women's Teetotal Enthusiasts' May meeting at Euston Road, London. Mrs. Grigg read of the programme of the Christian Endeavour Jubilee in London. Mrs. Torkington read an article, entitled "Live Wires." Mrs. Grigg served afternoon tea.

MAUNGATUROTO.—Sept. 30. Good attendance. Pledge repeated. Secretary read report of N.A. Convention. Special mention made of three Maori delegates from Far North. Secretary reported cancelling of meeting to meet Mrs. Taylor, owing to illness. Letter of thanks from City Mission for second parcel of clothing. Temperance fact read. Decided to hold meetings on 4th Wednesday in future.

MAKOTUKU.—Oct. 2. Drawing-room meeting at Mrs. J. T. Dally's. Mrs. T. Fothergill presided. Prayer meeting. Vote of sympathy with Mrs. Mann in her bereavement. Miss Mildon elected Secretary, pro tem. Captain Weston gave a very interesting address on experience of her work with the drink. A dainty afternoon tea dispensed by the hostess.

NEW BRIGHTON.—Sept. The annual "pay-up" social. Miss B. M. Harband spoke on the keen disappointment felt by W.C.T.U. members at the postponement of the Licensing Poll. A successful Home meeting had been held at Mrs. Weaver's home, South Brighton, the third held in that district during the winter. The Rev. S. Bailey, in his very interesting address on "Attempting the Impossible," likened the members of the W.C.T.U. to a "force possessed of amazing possibilities." A short musical programme, and afternoon tea.

NEW PLYMOUTH.—Sept. 30. Twenty-six present. Reported that the Union had helped the Y's in their social held this month; also that the Seamen's Rest had resulted in the sum of over £30 being handed to the Committee. Visits to the Rest had been 506. Mrs. Phillips, District President, gave an interesting address on Franchise and the much needed aims of Franchise what had our 8000 W.C.T.U.'s done with the vote they had won? Finland, a Prohibition country, was almost the only one to show a credit balance. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the speaker. Afternoon tea was served.

OAMARU.—Sept. "Pay-up" social. Miss Smythe presided. Miss Cowan read the lecture on "Alcohol." Musical items and supper.

OXFORD.—Sept. 23. Twentieth birthday party. Good attendance of members, and several Y's. Mrs. Malcolm regretted that the President was not well enough to attend, but were glad to welcome Mrs. Hawke once more. Mrs. Hawke thanked members for their kindness and attention during her stay in hospital. Mrs. Abbot gave an interesting and instructive address based on II. Kings iv. A sacred solo by Miss N. Waterman was much appreciated. Afternoon tea, including a handsome birthday cake, made and decorated by Mrs. T. Gainsford. At an Executive meeting letters were read from the International Society of Fellowship of Reconciliation. Decided to ask for further particulars.

PETONE.—Oct. 6. Twenty-two members present. Mrs. Carter presided. President gave report on the District Convention. A vote of sympathy passed to Mrs. Taylor on her illness, and we hope she will soon be restored to health. A vote of appreciation was passed to Mrs. Carter for her valuable work among the children of the Band of Hope. In replying, Mrs. Carter coupled the names of Mesdames Chalmers and Packwood with her own. Hostesses next meeting, Mrs. Woolford and Miss Collie. Garden Party at Mrs. Corner's on November 18th. One new member.

REEFTON.—Oct. 6. Nine present. Mrs. Thompson presided. Decided to place a Bible in the school here. Letters of sympathy to Mesdames Parsons and Laidner in their illness. Paper read. Reported papers by Miss Harband read in school here, and blotters distributed to school children. Afternoon tea served by Mesdames Bone and Smith.

REMUERA.—Sept. 4. Mrs. Hugh Kasper presided. Mesdames Wright, Hunter, and Robinson gave full and comprehensive reports of Auckland District Convention. Mrs. Carr congratulated on her appointment as District Corresponding Secretary. Mrs. Hunter appointed Peace and Arbitration Supt. Arrangements made for Jumble Sale and drawing-room meeting. Franchise Day observed. Collection sent to N.Z. Fund.

SUMNER.—Oct. 6. Mrs. McCombs presided. Miss Kilners gave report on Temuka Convention in breezy, humorous style, and dealt very comprehensively with the various activities of that Conference. Members felt almost as if they had all been there themselves. Presbyterian ladies served tea.

TIMARU.—Sept. 29. Franchise Day. Meeting at Highfield. Large attendance. Mrs. Norrie spoke on the gaining of the franchise and what had been accomplished by the W.C.T.U. since 1893. Arrangements made for musical afternoon on October 21st, when Miss Henderson is to give an address on "Social Hygiene." Mrs. W. Trott gave a splendid report of District Convention. Mrs. Norrie and Mrs. Low added details. Mrs. Norrie congratulating Mrs. Arthur, Y President, on taking out 16 girls

to the Y Rally at Convention. Two new members enrolled.

TEMUKA.—Oct. 2. Mrs Hewson presided, 26 present. One new member. Decided to ask Miss McLay to visit the country places, with the idea of forming small Unions. Arrangements made for Miss Henderson to speak on "Social Hygiene" on October 22nd, and to invite all other organisations to be present. Splendid report of Convention given by Mrs Whitehead. Thanks to helpers during Convention. Afternoon tea served.

WAITARA.—Sept. 18. Miss Drew gave a very interesting and instructive address on the World W.C.T.U. Convention held in Toronto, Canada. Forms for signature for world disarmament were called in. A collection for Seamen's Rest, New Plymouth, 6/6. One new member transferred from Stratford. Next meeting October 16th, when volunteer items can be given.

CORRESPONDENCE.

A LINK WITH BRITISH WOMEN.
(To the Editor.)

Dear Madam,—

I beg for space to voice an appeal from Miss Harriet C. Newcomb to New Zealand women visiting London, women of the many interests that move White Ribboners. It is that they should make time to visit 17 Buckingham Street, Adelphi, London, W.C., the office of the British Commonwealth League, formerly the British Dominions Women Suffrage League, itself started from New Zealand by Miss Newcomb and Miss M. Hodge in 1912. Under Miss Newcomb's care, from 1912 to 1923 it functioned widely and well, and focussed attention on many needs of British women at Home and abroad, increasingly, since the war, linking its efforts with those of the International Alliance under Mrs M. Corbett-Ashby. The B.C.L. is now threatened with extinction, owing to lack of interest (and of funds) overseas. The financial pressure is recognised but it is earnestly requested that Home-going women should at least visit an office which correlates every branch of work and interest peculiar to the women of Greater Britain, opening up fascinating avenues of information and intercourse with leaders of thought and activity today. A recent Conference, Mrs Corbett-Ashby in the chair, dealt with Economic Openings Overseas, Laws of Inheritance, and the Clash of Cultures, specially as affecting native women. A visit to such a centre will greatly enlarge the horizon and add to the pleasure of New Zealand travellers at Home.

Yours for women,
JESSIE MACKAY.

THE SLUMP.
(To the Editor.)

Dear Madam,—

I suppose there are few of our members who are not in some way affected by the difficult times through which our country is passing, the main cause of which seems to be scarcity of money. That is the chief cause of unemployment, men tramping through the country looking for something to do, and as one intelligent man remarked, "It has a very demoralising effect to go from one town to another and find that no

one wants you"; "there is no place for you"; "You are not wanted."

The Government seems quite unable to help us, and is only adding to our burdens, first by reducing wages, and thus lessening the purchasing power of the people, and then increasing taxation. We seem to have plenty of food in the country, and also plenty of clothing. Tradesmen are over-stocked with goods they have not been able to sell, just because there is not enough money. If it was anything else we would at once set to work and make or grow it. **Why should we not make the necessary money?** Is there any sane reason why? The Government, if it chose, could make enough to put business on a comfortable footing—paper money. If they chose they could then continue the work for the unemployed, keep them all busy improving the country in all directions until things righted themselves, as they would. Of course, some economists would be horrified, "Our credit abroad would be injured." As our money is never sent abroad in payment of our debts there, it would make little or no difference to our credit. Our debts abroad are paid by

our exports, and at present our credit at Home is damaged, not by our currency, but because, though we have sent Home just as much fruit, meat, butter, etc., we have not received as much as usual for it, because the purchasing power of the British people has been so reduced that a great deal is still lying in the stores, and what has been sold has been sold at a much lower price than usual.

When we borrow money in England, I understand that a good deal is left there to pay the interest on previous loans, and so we have to go on borrowing more and more. The only sane way we can pay for anything in Britain or elsewhere is by exporting more in value than we import.

I hope some abler pen than mine will take up this subject and help to make it clear, particularly one point, that is that money is of no real value in itself; we can neither clothe ourselves with it, nor eat it; it is simply a medium of exchange, and paper is just as good as gold, and much easier to procure.

I am, yours truly,
"MACINDOE."



A CALL TO PRAYER.

November.—"Prayer Changes Things."
Reading—Exodus 35:20-29.

"All things are possible to him that believeth," and faith is always possible in the execution of the revealed Will of God. It is not God's will that any should perish, so we are surely asking "in accordance with His Will" when we pray for the extension of His Kingdom.

"If to grace there is no limit,
Why should I be slow to plead?
If God's power is not restricted,
Why not speak my every need?
All the treasures of His throne
Faith can make them all its own."

F. W. Boreham, in his book, "Mountains in the Mist," in the chapter on "The Passing of the Impossible," writes as follows:—

"Is the immediate conquest of the world possible? The question is ridiculous. The world contains millions of Christians. Millions ought to be able to evangelise the entire universe. Fifty men of the stamp of Paul and Xavier and Wesley would make Christ known

to every living soul on the face of the earth in twenty years. That is our shame. If I could call spirits from the vasty deep, and if they would come when I did call for them, I would undertake to summon to the task a hundred heroes who would make the whole world ring with the praise of Christ, while we were still droning over our minute-books. It is the indisputable possibility of the task that makes our tragic failure so shockingly humiliating. If you are quite sure of God, there is no crack or crevice among all His worlds that can harbour an impossibility. No man yet born has a faith roomy enough to permit of his believing in God and in the impossible at one and the same time. All things are possible to him that believeth."

Jones was discussing the Christmas dinner with his friend Robinson.

"Do you think you can tell the age of a turkey by the teeth?" asked Robinson, thinking of a way to trap his friend.

"Yes," replied Jones.

"But that's impossible," laughed the other; "a turkey hasn't any teeth."

"No," exclaimed Jones, "but I have."

So live that when thy summons comes
to join
The innumerable caravan which moves
To that mysterious realm where each
shall take
His chamber in the silent halls of death,
Thou go not, like the quarry-slave at
night
Scourged to his dungeon, but sustained
and soothed
By an unfaltering trust, approach thy
grave
Like one who wraps the drapery of his
couch
About him and lies down to pleasant
dreams.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT EXECUTIVE, 1st Monday, at 2 p.m., Temperance Society's Rooms, Unity Buildings, Upper Queen Street. Pres., Mrs Morgan Richards, St. George's Manse, Takapuna; Cor. Sec., Mrs Clark, 129 Balmoral Road; Rec. Sec., Mrs Johnston, 85 Balmoral Road; Treas., Mrs Taylor, Station Road, Otahuhu; Vice-Pres., Mrs Kasper, The Strand, Kohimarama.

APIITI, 2nd Thursday, in the Schoolhouse, at 2 p.m. Pres., Miss E. Leslie; Vice-Pres., Mrs E. Miller; Sec., Mrs W. A. Churchill; Treas., Mrs L. Gould; "W.R." Agent, Miss K. McKenzie.

ARATAPU-TE KOPURU, 2nd Tuesday, Methodist Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Morgan; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Kelly and Godfrey; Sec., Mrs Hill Taylor; Treas., Mrs Dewberry; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Waring; Cradle Roll, Mrs Wordsworth, Senr.

ARAMOHO, last Thursday, St. David's Church, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs Walker; Rec. Sec., Mrs Mackintosh; Cor. Sec., Mrs Gilmour, 2 Paterson Street; Treas., Mrs Coddington; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Bish.

ASHBURTON, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Baring Square Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs W. Grigg, Methodist Parsonage, Willowby; Sec., Miss E. Trevarza, 169 Peter Street; Treas., Mrs G. Tulloch, Peter Street West; "W.R." Agent, Miss A. E. Watson, 84 Cameron Street.

AUCKLAND, second Tuesday, in the Club Room, Y.W.C.A., 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, Scitinel Road, Ponsonby; Treas., Mrs Dowling, 5 Pompallier Terrace; "W.R." Agent, Miss Hill, Russell Crescent, Ellerslie.

AUCKLAND "Y's", 1st Saturday, 7.30 p.m., in Newton East Mission Hall. Supt., Miss Reid; Pres., Miss L. Adams; Rec. Sec., Miss M. Hullah; Cor. Sec., Miss E. Hill, C/o Nurses' Home, Green Lane; Treas., Miss Jump; "W.R." Agent, Miss E. Carpenter, 78 Lincoln Street.

BALCLUTHA, 1st Tuesday, 3 p.m., Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. Clark, View Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs. James, View Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs. McIntyre; Treas., Miss Tosh, Toshvale; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. J. Clark.

BALMORAL, meets in Balmoral Road Church, 1st Tuesday, 2 o'clock. Pres., Mrs (Rev.) Gilmour, Paterson Street, Sandringham; Sec., Mrs S. Pearce, 12 Highland Road, Mt. Albert; Treas., Mrs May, 46 Calgary St., Sandringham.

BIRKENHEAD, 1st Thursday, 2 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Todd; Sec., Miss Hayman; Cor. Sec., Miss R. Hayman, Arawa Street; Treas. and "W.R." Agent, Miss R. Le Roy, 6 Lytton Street, Devonport.

BLLENHEIM, 1st Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs. W. M. Smith, Springland; Rec. Sec., Mrs. J. Prussing, Laking's Road; Cor. Sec., Mrs. V. Underhill, Yelver-

ton; Treas., Mrs. W. J. Girling, Stephenson Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Reeves; Cradle Roll, Mrs. A. Braddock; Libraries, Mrs. Woodside; Press Reporter, Mrs. Glimore.

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

BRIGHTON UNION, 3rd Thursday, 2.15 p.m., in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs H. Hall, Wainui Street; Sec., Mrs F. M. Mitchell, 383 Park Road; Treas., Mrs N. Fraser; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Nunan, Hood Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs Hastings.

BROOKLYN, Pres., Mrs Sawden; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Brewer and Webster; Rec. Sec., Mrs Thompson; Cor. Sec., Mrs Gillings, 267 Happy Valley; Treas., Mrs Gittings; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Pearson; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Butler.

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 R. Day, 92 Edward Avenue, St. Alban's; Rec. Sec., Miss Thomas, 25 Cambridge Terrace; Treas., Mrs. Darby, 206 Papanui Road, St. Alban's; "W.R." Supt., Mrs. R. Day.

CARTERTON, 1st Wednesday, in Salvation Army Barracks, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. R. H. Every, Garrison Street; Sec., Mrs. R. B. Madden, Carrington Street; Treas., Mrs. Wisely, Portland Road; "W.R." Agent, Miss Waterson; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Sayers; Press, Mrs. Jansen; Organist, Mrs. C. Jones; Evangelistic, Mrs. Tyler.

CAMBRIDGE, 4th 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; Treas., Mrs Geo. Carter; "W.R." Agent, Mrs E. James.

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COLLINGWOOD, meets last Friday, at 2.45 p.m., in Anglican Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Jamieson; Vice-Pres., Mrs Corney and Mrs Stallard; Sec. and Treas., Mrs Brown; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Corney.

DARGAVILLE, 3rd Tuesday, Presbyterian Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs A. Keynolds; Sec., Mrs Martin, Turfiri; Treas., Mrs C. W. Taylor, Awakino Point; "W.R." Agent, Mrs D. L. Bradley; Cradle Roll, Mrs Wordsworth.

DEVONPORT, 3rd Wednesday, 2 p.m., in the Congregational Church, Victoria Road. Pres., Mrs Williams, "Arnley," Northcote; Sec., Mrs G. F. Day, 27 Hinemoa Avenue; Treas., Mrs Jarvis, 50 Lake Road; "W.R." Agent, Mrs G'assey, 3 Rangitoto Terrace.

DUNEDIN, 1st Tuesday, 2.50 p.m., Baptist Sunday School, Hanover Street. Pres., Mrs Hiett, 11 Duke Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs Douglas, 19 Bellevue Street, Roslyn; Rec. Sec. and Press Reporter, Miss Alison, Balmacewan Road; Treas., Miss Ma'andrew, 11 Duke Street; Parliamentary Supt., Mrs Downing, Oakland Street, Anderson's Bay; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Blakely, 2 Epsilon Street, Roslyn.

DUNEDIN SOUTH, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Wesley Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Williamson; Sec., Mrs McParlane, 50 Rankellor Point; Treas., Mrs W. Brown; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Shacklock, 6 Catherine Street.

ELTHAM, 1st Friday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Holland; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Stanners and Williams; Sec., Mrs Penhall, Eltham Road; Treas., Mrs Lambert; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Streeter.

EDENDALE (Southland), 1st Thursday, at 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs McEwan; Sec., Miss Helen Hall; Treas. and "W.R." Agent, Mrs Horace Niven.

EPSOM, meets in Methodist Hall, Greenwood's Corner, at 2 p.m., 4th Thursday. Pres., Mrs Benfell, 2 Buckland Road, Epsom; Sec., Mrs Carr, 16 Momona Road, Greenlane; Treas., Mrs Armstrong, 7 Mapau Road, Greenlane.

EDEN, meets 3rd Wednesday, in Dominion Road Methodist Hall, at 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs Hayr, 2a East Avenue; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Gaulton, Fenton, Auld, and Hudson; Rec. Sec., Mrs Fenton, 66 Grange Road, Mt. Eden; Cor. Sec., Mrs Clark, 129 Balmoral Road, Mt. Eden; Treas., Mrs Evans, 56 King Edward Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs O'Donnel, Grange Road, Mt. Eden.

FAIRLIE, 2nd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian S.S. Room. Pres., Mrs Barwood; Sec., Mrs Sangster; Cor. Sec., Mrs Holland, Sherwood Downs; Treas., Mrs Giddings, Mt. Cook Road; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Holland, Sherwood Downs.

FEILDING, 1st Thursday, 2.45 p.m., St. Paul's Hall. Pres., Mrs. Spence, Grey Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Pack and Hughes; Sec., Miss Watt, 17 Grey Street; Treas., Mrs. Kendall, Awahuri Road; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs. Tremain; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs. Whisker; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Martin.

GERALDINE, 1st Tuesday in Presbyterian Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Captain Avenell; Vice-Pres., Mrs Couling and Mrs Loach; Sec., Mrs Wallach; Treas., Mrs D. McDonald; "W.R." Agent, Mrs W. Prattloy.

GORE, Baptist Church, 4th Tuesday, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs J. Harper, Denton Street, Gore; Treas., Mrs McAskill, Hallon Street, Gore; Rec. Sec., Mrs Blackmore, Albany St., Gore; Cor. Sec., Miss Robertson, 33 Coultts Road, Gore; "W.R." Agent, Mrs A. McLachlan, Kitchener Street, Gore.

GREYTOWN, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Sunday School. Pres., Mrs D. McKenzie; Sec., Mrs H. Morrison; Vice-Pres., Mrs Anker and Mrs Norrie; Treas., Mrs A. Haigh; Evangelistic, Mrs J. Allen; "W.R." Agent, Miss Oates.

GREY LYNN, meets 2nd Thursday. Pres., Mrs Hawkey; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Hobday, Kedgley, and Holroyd; Sec., Mrs Cox, 4 Stanmore Road; Treas., Mrs Lewis, 5 Stanmore Road; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Neal, 14 Old Mill Road.

GISBORNE, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs E. G. A. Reynolds, 317 Whittaker Street; Sec., Miss D. Spence, 186 Cobden Street; Treas., Mrs Wm. Morris, 107 Stout Street.

HAWERA, meets last Tuesday, at 2.45 p.m., in Methodist B.C. Room. Pres., Mrs Exley, 88 Albion Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs Curtis and Mrs Squires; Sec., Mrs Hayward, Tawhiti Road; Treas., Mrs Squires, High Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Spavir, Wilson Street.

HAMILTON, 1st Thursday, in St. Paul's, London Street. Pres., Mrs Jones, J.P., 52 Te Aroha Street; Sec., Mrs Seal, 54 Te Aroha Street; Treas., Mrs Davy, 53 London Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Watson, 15 Clifton Road.

HENDERSON, 3rd Wednesday, Presbyterian and Methodist Churches alternately, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Platt, Great North Road; Sec., Mrs L. McKay, Great North Road; Treas., Mrs W. Williams, Great North Road; "W.R." Agent, Miss K. Duncan.

HASTINGS, 4th Thursday, Methodist Y.M. Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs H. Hickmott; Vice-Pres., Mesdames T. J. Thompson, Banks, and J. Wilson; Sec., Mrs Baumgart, Box 322; Ass't. Sec., Mrs Rae; Treas., Mrs D. Smith, Lyndon Road; "W.R." Agent, Mrs H. Fawcett, 713 Rodney Street.

HAVELOCK NORTH, 4th Friday, 2.30 p.m., at Presbyterian Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs H. Speight, King Street, Hastings; Vice-Pres., Mrs Waugh and Miss Elliott; Sec. and "W.R." Agent, Miss G. Hill, St. Andrew's Road; Treas., Mrs Webb, Napier Road.

INGLEWOOD, last Wednesday, Methodist Schoolroom, 2.15 p.m. Pres., Mrs Mackinder; Sec., Miss M. Simpson, Piakau P.O.; Treas., Mrs Young, Waitoriki; Cradle Roll, Mrs Young; "W.R." Agent and "Y" Supt., Miss M. Simpson.

INVERCARGILL SOUTH, 2nd Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., St. Peter's Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Parkin; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Macgregor, Fretwell, and Chalmers; Cor. Sec., Mrs Reidy, 53 Teviot Street; Rec. Sec., Miss McCallum; Treas., Mrs Robie; Evangelistic, Mrs McKinnon; "W.R." Agent, Miss McLaughlan; Press, Mrs Reidy; Maori, Mrs Sharpe; Cradle Roll, Mrs Crozier; Social, Mrs Latham; Notable Days, Mrs Chalmers.

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 T. Dawson, 283 North Road; Rec. Sec., Miss Sheriffs; Cor. Sec., Miss M. Dawson; Treas., Miss A. Matheson, Rugby Street; "W.R." Agent, Miss Blake.

INVERCARGILL CENTRAL BRANCH, meets 1st Tuesday, at 3 o'clock, in the Methodist Hall, Jed Street. Pres., Miss Smith, 165 Yarrow Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs Brass, 115 Avernall Road; Rec. Sec., Mrs Ayson, 91 Deveron Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs Johnston, 135 Don Street; Treas., Mrs Stevas, 94 Baird Street; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Cole, McMaster Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Crawford, 52 Don Street.

NORTH INVERCARGILL, meets 3rd Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., alternately in the Presbyterian and Baptist Churches. Pres., Mrs W. Martin, 29 Antrim Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs J. Holland; Sec., Miss M. Langskail, 88 Melbourne Street; Treas., Mrs Laytham, George Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs L. Fraser; Evangelistic, Mrs E. Holmes; "W.R." Agent, Mrs W. Martin, 29 Antrim Street; Notable Days, Mrs Walker; Musical, Miss Halliday; Social, Mrs Walker.

JOHNSONVILLE, 3rd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian and Methodist Schoolrooms, alternately. Pres., Mrs Halliday; Vice-Pres., Mrs Johnson, Sonr.; Sec., Mrs Henderson, Burgess Road; Treas., Mrs H. Johnson; "W.R." Agent, Mrs McBride; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Embury.

KAIAPOI, last Wednesday, at 7.30 p.m., in W.C.T.U. Temperance Hall. Pres., Mrs Burnett, Fullers Street; Sec., Mrs Rinaldi, Sewell Street; Ass't. Sec., Mrs Blackwell, Sewell Street; Treas., Mrs Evans, Fullers St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs Phillips, Sewell St.

KARORI, meets 1st Tuesday of the month, usually in the Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Toomer, Nottingham Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs J. Dennis; Treas., Mrs Wilson; Sec., Mrs R. Watchman, Campbell Street, Karori; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Hull.

LINWOOD, meets last Tuesday, in Linwood Baptist Church. Pres., Mrs Richards, 14 Morris Street; Cor. Sec., Miss M. Vinnicombe; Rec. Sec., Mrs Black, 42 Cranley Street; Treas., Mrs Roberts; "W.R." Agent, Mrs A. Nelson, 19 Cuba Street.

LOWER HUTT, 4th Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Church of Christ. Pres., Mrs. Lopdell; Sec., Mrs. Tait, Cornwall Street; Treas., Mrs. Aldersley, Brunswick Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Heyes, Brunswick Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Taylor, 9 Tui Street; Librarian, Mrs. Crawford.

MT. ALBERT, 2nd Thursday, in Presbyterian Sunday School, Mount Albert Road. Pres., Miss Fyfe; Sec., Mrs Glaister, 9 Domain Road, Mt. Albert; Treas., Mrs Sutherland, 11 Dunbar Road, Mt. Eden; "W.R." Agent, Miss McGregor.

MARTINBOROUGH, meets in Parish Hall, 1st Wednesday. Pres., Mrs W. J. Martin, Huangarua; Sec. and Treas., Mrs A. Tyler, Jellicoe Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs J. Shirkey, Grey Street.

MAUNGATUROTO, 4th Wednesday, in Congregational Manse. Pres., Mrs T. Flower, Manse; Hon. Sec., Hon. Treas., and Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Pasley; Birthday League Supt., Mrs Knightbridge; Temperance Fact Supt., Mrs A. Cullen; "W.R." Agent, Mrs H. Flower.

MASTERTON, 1st Thursday, Knox Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs E. O. Blamires, Hall Street; Sec., Mrs S. J. Smith, High Street; Treas., Mrs M. McGregor, Essex Street, Masterton; "W.R." Agent, Miss Tankersley.

MAYFIELD, 3rd Thursday, alternately at Ruapuna and Mayfield. Pres., Mrs Edmond, Anama; Sec., Mrs Jas. Murdoch, Porateko Rural, Mayfield; Treas., Mrs Edgar Biddick, Mayfield; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Thos. Corbett, Mayfield.

MORRINSVILLE, meets 4th Tuesday, in Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs Starnes, Allen Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs Sage and Mrs Cooper; Sec., Mrs Garlick, Studholme St.; Treas., Mrs Wills, Allen Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Oates, Thames Street.

MOSGIEL, 3rd Wednesday in every month, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Bedford, East Taleri; Sec., Mrs M. H. Wilson, Inglis Street; Treas., Mrs A. Lennox, Gordon Road; Cradle Roll, Miss McLeod, Gordon Road; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Smith, Ayr St.

NAPIER, 1st Wednesday, at 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs Brocklehurst, 6 Sale Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Dodds, Macalister, Milner; Rec. Sec., Mrs Freeman, 12 Latham Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs Thorpe; Treas., Mrs Wilkinson; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Alexander, 4 McVey Street.

NELSON UNION, 2nd Tuesday, Burrough House, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs Watson, Washington Valley; Secretary, Mrs Downes, 56 Haven Road; Treas., Miss F. J. Cooke, Examiner Street; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs F. H. Cooke, Richmond Avenue; Y's., Mr K. Hobbs, Nile Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Holloway, 2 Examiner Street; L.T.L., Mrs Moyes, Grove St.

NEW PLYMOUTH, last Wednesday in the month, at 2.45 p.m., Whitley Hall. Pres., Miss Drew, M.A., J.P., Gilbert Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs Hughes, Court'ray Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs T. H. Read, 50 Gilbert Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs Malcolm, Fulford Street; Treas., Miss Ellis, Eliot Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Sowery, 63 Gilbert Street; L.W.R. Supt., Mrs Ellis, Eliot Street.

NORTH-EAST VALLEY, 4th Thursday, 2.45 p.m., Young Men's Institute. Treas., Mrs Peart, 4 Pine Hill Terrace; Sec., Miss M. Begg, 57 Selwyn Street; Treas., Mrs Sanders, 57 Frame Street; "W.R." Agent, Miss A. Gray, 32 Grey Street.

OAMARU, 2nd Monday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Lecture Hall. Pres., Miss Smythe; Vice-Pres., Mrs J. J. Clarke and Miss Milligan; Rec. Sec., Mrs Bridgeman, 44 Rother Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs W. Scott, 60 Eden Street; Treas., Miss Lees Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Co., 4 Eden Street; Evangelistic, Mrs J. J. Joint Supts. Cradle Roll, Mrs Simpson and Mrs Beckingsale.

OPAWA, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs T. Ramsay, 131 Opawa Road; Sec., Mrs Kelly; Treas., Mrs Busing; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Turner, Aynsley Terrace; Cradle Roll, Mrs Ramsay.

OTOROHANGA, meets last Friday, 2 p.m., in Presbyterian and Methodist Churches, alternately. Pres., Mrs Tozer; Vice-Pres., Sister Rita Snowden; Sec., Mrs V. L. Fairbrother; Treas., Mrs E. F. Fairbrother; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Bell.

OTAHUHU, meets 3rd Thursday, at 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Sunday School Hall. Pres., Mrs Eccersall, Baptist Manse; Sec., Mrs W. Taylor, Station Road; Treas., Mrs Brady, May Road; "W.R." Agent, Mrs West, Panmure Road.

OWAKA, 2nd Wednesday, at 2.15 p.m., in Presbyterian Church Vestry. Pres., Mrs Ryley; Sec. and Treas., Miss Campbell.

OPOTIKI, 2nd Thursday, St. John's Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs Jas. Thompson; Sec., Mrs J. Gordon; Treas., Mrs Vanstone; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Sinclair; Cradle Roll, Supt., Mrs Knowles.

OTAUTAU, 2nd Thursday, 3 p.m., Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs E. Harrington; Vice-Pres., Mrs Jaquary; Sec. and Treas., Mrs Brooker; "W.R." Agent, Mrs E. Harrington; Cradle Roll, Mrs A. Harrington.

OXFORD, 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Coronation Hall. Pres., Mrs G. Ryde; Vice-Pres., Mrs D. Hawke; Sec., Mrs C. W. Tritt; Treas., Mrs C. E. Morris; Evangelistic, Mrs Waterman; "W.R." Agent, Mrs D. Hawke; Flower Mission, Mrs J. Baxter; Notable Days, Mrs G. Jones; Home Meetings, Mrs T. Gainsford; Cradle Roll, Mrs Rol; Y.P's, Mrs R. Comyns.

ONEHUNGA, 2nd Thursday, Methodist Hall, Grey Street, at 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs Leadley, Grey Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Parker, Logan and Stacey; Sec., Mrs J. Craig, "Craigneuk," 37 Albert Street; Treas., Mrs Mushet; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Ashby; L.T.L., Mrs Hunter and Miss Taylor; Cradle Roll, Mrs Mountjoy; Birthday League, Miss Kitt; Press, Mrs Stacey.

PAHIATUA, first Thursday in month, Presbyterian Church, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs H. Paterson; Sec., Miss H. Ross; Treas., Mrs O. Johnson; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Ryan, Main Street, Pahiatua.

PAPANUI, 2nd Thursday, 2 p.m., Presbyterian B.C. Room. Pres., Mrs Graham; Rec. Sec., Mrs Tillman; Cor. Sec., Mrs Hawker, 24 Bellevue Avenue; Treas., Mrs Hayton; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Elliott.

PAPAROA, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., at Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs J. Hames, Paparua Railway; Vice-Pres., Mrs T. Wilson; Sec., Mrs E. T. Birtles; Treas., Miss J. Wilson; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Roigard, Matakoho.

PALMERSTON NORTH, 1st Friday, St. Andrew's Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs C. A. E. Ferguson, 124 Lyndhurst Street; Sec., Miss C. Jameson, 146 Albert Street; Treas., Mrs S. Sorenson, 16 Ruahine Street; Evangelistic and Scientific Temperance, Mrs Ritchie; Cradle Roll, Miss Astbury; Hospital Visitor, Mrs Dorreen; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Trigg; Willard Home, Mrs Birdsall, 68 College Street.

PETONE, 1st Tuesday, 2 p.m., Church of Christ. Pres., Mrs Carter; Cor. Sec., Mrs Silbery, 43 Richmond Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs T. L. Baileysby; Treas., Mrs Woolford, 48 Beach Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs Packwood; Notable Days, Miss Collie; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Murgatroyd, Nelson Street.

PICTON, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Milton; Sec., and Treas., Mrs Wells, Milton Terrace; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Potter; Cradle Roll, Miss Potter; Band of Hope, Mrs Powell; "Y's," Mrs Head.

PLEASANT POINT, meets 4th Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs McNeur; Vice-Pres., Mrs Bishop; Sec., Mrs Crombie; Treas., Mrs Waugh; "W.R." Agents, Mrs Drake and Mrs Oborn, Pleasant Point.

PORT CHALMERS, meets 2nd Thursday, 3 p.m., Currie Street Hall. Pres., Mrs Brighton, Burkes; Vice-Pres., Mrs Tait; Rec. Sec., Mrs Tresider; Cor. Sec. and Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs G. F. Mirams Harrington Street; Treas., Mrs Smillie, Grey's Bay.

PONSONBY, 3rd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., St. John's Schoolroom. Pres., Miss Read; Rec. Sec., Mrs Joiner; Cor. Sec., Mrs W. B. Farrand, 9a Esplanade Road, Mt. Eden; Treas., Mrs Stewart; Cradle Roll, Mrs Hodgkinson; Birthday League, Mrs Miller; Evangelistic, Mrs Turnbull; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Andrews, 31 Castle Street, Grey Lynn.

PUKEKOHE, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Churches, alternately. Pres., Mrs Escott; Cor. Sec., Mrs J. E. Richards, Seddon Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs Vant; Treas., Mrs Smith; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Patterson, Totara Avenue.

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

RAETIDI, 1st Friday, 3 p.m., Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs Sandford; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Lynn, Scarrow, Barnes, and Ensign Laskey; Sec., Mrs Worthington; Treas., Mrs F. Pederson; "W.R." Agent, Mrs W. H. Scarrow; Organist, Mrs Crochette.

REEFTON, 1st Tuesday, 3 p.m., Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs Thompson; Vice-Pres., Mrs Parsons and Mrs McClymont; Treas., Mrs Waddell; Sec., Mrs Willis, Box 17; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Day.

RICHMOND (Nelson), 3rd Tuesday, 3 p.m., Baptist Church. Pres., Miss Tarrant; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Cropp, Fittall and Oliver Sutton; Sec., Mrs Heaven; Queen Street; Treas., Mrs B. Cropp, Salisbury Road; "W.R." Agent, Miss Dyson, "Althorpe."

RIVERTON, meets 1st Tuesday, in Presbyterian Vestry, at 7.30. Pres., Mrs E. H. Gray; Vice-Pres., Mrs Philp and Mrs Prosser; Treas. and Rec. Sec., Mrs J. Casels; Cor. Sec., Mrs E. H. Gray, Packeraton Street.

STRATFORD, 4th Friday, 3 p.m., Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs Kennedy, Broadway; Vice-Pres., Mrs McCallum and Miss Lilley; Sec., Mrs C. Rogers, Pembroke Street; Treas., Miss Boyd; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Clarke, Seyton Street; L.W.R. Supt., Mrs Huston.

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

SUMNER, meets 1st Tuesday, in the Presbyterian Schoolroom, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs J. McCombs, Clifton; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Wilson, McArar, Simpson, Topping and Sherrard; Sec., Mrs L. Hutchinson, 20 Colenso Street; Treas., Mrs J. A. Booth, Clifton; "W.R." Agent, Miss Killner; Cradle Roll, Mrs F. G. Carter; Evangelistic, Mrs MacMillan; Anti-Gambling, Miss Cook; Musical, Mrs H. W. Heslop; Good Citizenship, Mrs Henley.

SYDENHAM, 1st Thursday, Baptist Schoolroom, Colombo Street. Pres., Mrs Gilmour; Rec. Sec., Mrs Stewart; Cor. Sec., Mrs Drevitt, 175 Roker Street, Spreydon; Treas., Mrs Cooksley, 29 Tennyson Street, Beckenham; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Johnson.

TE KUITI, 2nd Tuesday, 2.25 p.m., in Methodist Vestry. Pres., Captain Packer; Vice-Pres., Mrs W. Nicholls and Mrs Duncanson; Sec., Mrs G. Elliott, Carroll Street; Treas., Mrs Bowick, Rata Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Hill, Rimu Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs H. Dobson.

TAURANGA, meets first Tuesday, in Methodist Hall, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs F. N. Christian, 5th Avenue; Rec. and Cor. Sec., Mrs York, 1st Avenue; Treas., Mrs Teasey, Edgecombe 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 W. Johnston, "Belfron," Beresford Street, Bayswater; Vice-Pres., Mrs Morgan Richards and Mrs Winstone; Sec., Mrs E. J. Lewis, "Croydon," Victoria Road, Takapuna; Treas., Mrs J. Hames, Ewen Street, Takapuna; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Morgan; Cradle Roll, Mrs Winstone.

TEMUKA, meets 1st Friday, Methodist Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Hewson, Hamilton Street; Sec., Mrs Allenby, Main North Road; Treas., Miss Greaves, King Street; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs E. Smart; "W.R." Agent, Miss Buck, King Street.

THAMES, 1st Wednesday, Mackay Street Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Langford, Hauraki Terrace; Sec., Miss M. Smith, Sperry Home; Treas., Mrs C. H. Cooney, Willoughby Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Scown, Hape Road; Cradle Roll, Mrs Paul, Hill Street.

TIMARU, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Sailors' Rest. Pres., Mrs Norrie, c/o A. C. Martin, Esq., Beverley Road; Sec., Mrs Minifie, 27 Wilson Street; Treas., Miss A. A. Pearson, 23 Turnbull Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs J. R. King, Grey Road; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Cave, Raymond Street; Peace and Arbitration, Mrs B. H. Lov, 12 Preston Street; Scientific Temperance, Mrs Arthur, Wai-iti Street; Notable Days, Mrs Butcher, 50 Arthur Street.

TE AWAMUTU, 3rd Thursday, at 2 p.m., in Presbyterian Hall. Pres., Mrs T. N. Olson; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Willis and Whitelaw; Sec., Mrs B. McGechie; Treas., Mrs W. Alexander, Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs O. Locke; "W.R." and Pianiste, Miss M. Bryant.

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, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs A. Roy, Hunter R.D.; Sec., Mrs R. Gillen, Harris Street; Treas., Mrs W. Simpson, Waituna; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Graham, Rhodes Street; Cradle Roll, Mesdames Johns and Hosking.

WAITARA, in Knox Church, third Friday, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs B. C. Lawrence, High Street East; Sec., Miss A. Biehens, Brown Street; Treas., Mrs Hughson; "W.R." Agent, Mrs A. E. Smart.

WARKWORTH, 2nd Thursday, Methodist Church, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs H. L. Phillips, Pulham's Road; Sec., Mrs I. Hamilton, "The Grange"; Treas., Mrs G. Civi, "W.R." Agent, Mrs L. Verry.

WAIPAWA, meets 4th Wednesday in each month, Methodist Church, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Jas. Bilby; Sec., Mrs Pepperill; Rec. Sec., Miss T. Johnson, Rose Street; Treas., Miss Johnson; "W.R." Supt., Miss Bibby.

WAIPIKURAU, meets 1st Thursday, 2.45 p.m., in Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs Smales; Vice-Pres., Mrs Gore; Sec., Mrs Reid; Treas., Mrs Dixon; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Gilchrist; Band of Hope Supt., Mrs Lucas.

WAIROA, H.B., St. Andrew's Hall, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Macdonald, Clyde Road; Vice-Pres., Mrs (Rev.) Speer, Clyde Road; Sec., Mrs Alexander, Box 61; Treas. and Cradle Roll, Mrs McDonald; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Telford, Lahore Street.

WANGANUI CENTRAL, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Trinity Church Parlour. Pres., Mrs Page; Vice-Pres., Mrs Goodey and Mrs Bathgate; Cor. Sec., Mrs Irwin Rec. Sec., Mrs Wilson, 57 Hatrick Street; Treas., Mrs Heatley, 72 Carlton Avenue, Gouville; Asst. Treas., Mrs Mera.

WANGANUI EAST, meets 2.30 p.m., 2nd Thursday, in St. Alban's Church. Pres., Mrs A. H. Duxfield, Okoia; Rec. Sec., Miss Sanson; Cor. Sec., Mrs W. J. Andrew, Jones Street; Treas., Mrs F. Brown; "W.R." Agent, Mrs D. Melvin, 20 Young Street.

WANGANUI 'Y's' meets in Y.M.C.A. second Saturday, at 7.45 p.m. Pres., Mr A. Jarvis; Sec., Miss E. Gill, Okoia; Treas., Miss E. Rodson, Parkville Private Hotel, Ridgway Street; Supt., Miss Sanson.

WAIKAREKARE, first Thursday, in St. Andrew's Sunday School Hall, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs T. Wall; Cor. Sec., Mrs R. M. Johnstone; Rec. Sec., Mrs T. J. Davis; Treas., Mrs Hickford; "W.R." Agent, Miss M. Johnstone; L.T.L. Supt., Mrs Southcombe.

WELLINGTON, meets 1st Thursday in Constable Street Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Murray, 11 Upland Road, Kelburn; Sec., Mrs Webb, 37 Hall Street, Wellington; Treas., Miss E. K. G. Webb, 37 Hall Street, Wellington; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Perry, 21 Millward Street, Wellington.

WELLINGTON CENTRAL, 3rd Wednesday, 2.45 p.m., Y.M.C.A. Rooms, Willis Street. Pres., Mrs Peryman; Vice-Pres., Miss Kirk; Rec. Sec., Miss Thompson; Cor. Sec., Mrs J. C. Webb, 26 Talavera Terrace; Treas., Mrs Helyer, 338 Oriental Bay.

WELANGAREI, 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in Baptist Church Hall. Pres., Mrs W. Vyle, 15 Central Avenue; Vice-Pres., Mrs Sage, Mrs Lovatt, Mrs Goodall; Sec., Mrs Goodall, Dinness Avenue; Treas., Mrs Hughes, Mair Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Green, Kamo Road; C.R. Supt., Mrs Lovatt; Supt. Maori Work, Mrs Oldcorn.

WINTON, meets 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs J. P. McWilliam, Park Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs J. A. Wilson, Park Street; Rec. Sec. and Treas., Mrs R. B. Matheson; "W.R." Agent, Mrs E. R. Smart.

WYNDHAM, Pres., Mrs Shaw; Vice-Pres., Mrs Hopkins; Treas. and Sec., Mrs G. Wilson; "W.R." Agent, Mrs A. Powe; Band of Hope, Miss Ayson.

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