

The White Ribbon

For God, and Home, and Humanity.

Thought for the Month.

A day well spent brings a night of content.

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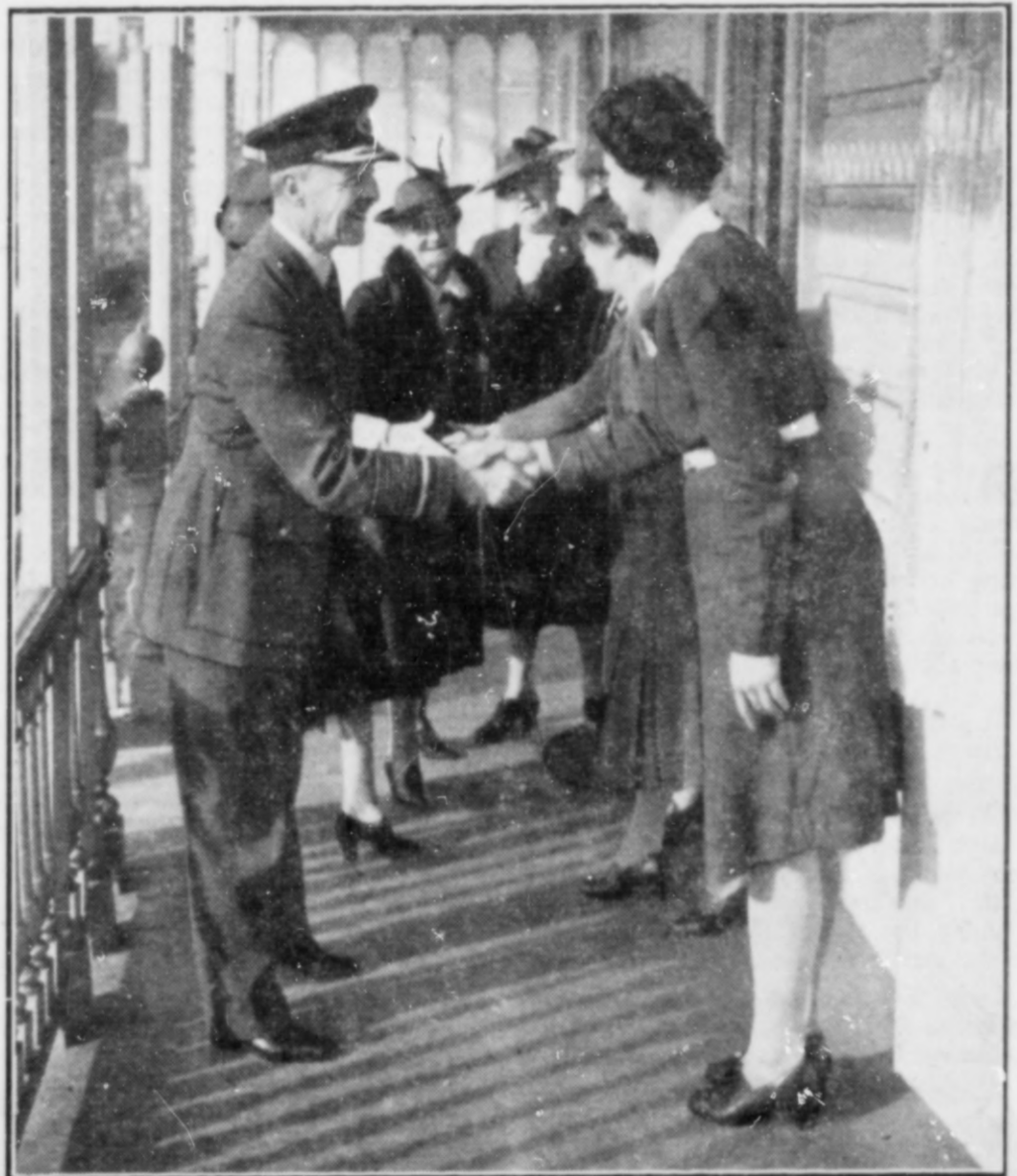
OUR MAORI WORK

The visit of Sir Cyril and Lady Newall to the W.C.T.U. Hostel for Maori Girls is a fitting recognition of the long years of work and effort given by the Union to help their Maori sisters. This gracious act of our Governor-General and his lady will be much appreciated by all White Ribboners and by many women of other organisations who earnestly desire protection for our young Maori sisters. By efforts such as this our Christian womanhood is doing all they can to wipe from our bonnie flag the black stain placed there by the introduction of liquor to the Native race in New Zealand. Keenly we have felt the shame that the ships which brought the Gospel to our land should also introduce the curse of strong drink.

Mrs. H. D. Bennett speaking to a Wellington Union said, "It is not right to speak of the Maoris as heathens. They brought their religion with them from their Asiatic land and the name of their God was El (written as pronounced). Your Editor said to Mrs. Bennett, "I was very interested to hear you speak of El as your God, because in the first verse of our Hebrew Bible it says, 'Elohim,' plural of El, 'created the heavens and the earth.'" The reply was, "Yes, we always remember that our first Maori settlers came from a part of Asia and were there connected with the Jews who were in banishment there."

To this splendid race, who brought their canoes safely across leagues of ocean to settle here, we brought later the liquor to be the ruin of so many. When the evil effects of liquor were realised, the battle began to protect our Maori people from the liquor seller, and it has not ended yet. But hopefully and prayerfully we look forward and see victory ahead.

The King Country was the home of the Maori. When the question of putting a trunk railway through this land, the Native chiefs were approached to sell land for the railway. The chiefs knew that with the railway would come the white settlers with their poisonous liquor. By taking advantage of a section of the Licensing Act, they secured a pledge from the Government that there should be no liquor licenses granted there.



The Governor-General, Sir Cyril Newall, and Lady Newall being welcomed at the Maori Girls' Hostel, 9 Cleveland Road, Parnell, by Mrs. J. Long, District President, Mrs. Mountjoy, District Vice-President, Miss E. Appleby, Matron, and Miss Jane Whittaker, Cook.

Section 25 of the Licensing Act of 1881 provides that the Governor may proclaim any area of Native land, one in which no liquor licenses may be granted if the owners of the land apply that this should be done. In 1884 the owners of the Rohe Potae (King Country) as represented by their leading

chiefs headed by Wahanui did so apply and the proclamation was issued and signed on December 3, 1884, Lord Glasgow being Governor and Sir Robert Stout, Prime Minister.

The Native chiefs had seen much of the terrible effect of the "waipiro" on their people. A petition was signed by

nearly all the chiefs and Wahanui appeared before the House of Representatives in support of this petition. He said, "Another request I have to make is that sale of spirits within our district shall be stopped absolutely. I do not want this great evil brought upon our people. I hope this House will be strong in preventing this evil coming upon us and upon our people." The famous fighting chief Rewi, the hero of Orakau Pa, sent this telegram from his deathbed to Lord Glasgow: "O Governor, long may you live. This is my first request that you prevent strong drink from being allowed to come within Rohe Potae. This my first request will be my last."

Premier Stout, at cutting of the first sod on the railway, said it was a feature of the arrangement that no liquor was to be sold in the territory opened for the railway.

This pact of No-License has been kept. A Magistrate at Waitara many years ago granted a wholesale license, and this had to be cancelled by a special Act of Parliament.

But to the eternal shame and disgrace of our Government, sly-grog selling has been rife in this protected area. White settlers have brought their poison and the law has been flagrantly broken. Note the difference. The Maori chiefs did all they could to protect their people, but Christian citizens of a British colony broke the law and for greed of gain procured poison for the Native people.

Now the Hostel is only one effort to help the Maori, and we are, as White Ribboners, pledged to use all proper means to stop this infamous traffic. We talk of a Campaign for Christian Order. Have licensed evils any place in a Christian order? If not, then every Christian is bound to work, fight, and pray for their abolition.

It was good to welcome the Governor-General, Sir Cyril Newall, and Lady Newall to our Maori Girls' Hostel, 9 Cleveland Road, Parnell.

Mrs. Long, District President, escorted the visitors through the home, and "Jane," our cook, was quite at home explaining the special "kai" that appealed to the girls.

Lady Newall was interested in the activities of the girls, and Miss Appleby explained the Home routine.

Altogether it was a very enjoyable afternoon.

NORTHLAND MAORI WORK.

Whangarei, June 7. President in chair. Devotions, Mrs. Whalley. Two solos by Mrs. Auld. Mr. L. Davis, Secretary of the Maori Tribal Committee, addressed the meeting. "I am very happy to meet the W.C.T.U. women, because of the great respect I have for Mrs. W. Kake, one of your members. The Maori Tribal Committee's primary object is the uplift of the Maori race, especially the youth.

"So far, much of our time has been absorbed in war work, recruiting for the army and home services, and keeping back some of the Maori farmers.

"The next important work was recruiting surplus labour for the Manpower Board. Here was the difficulty caused by overcrowding. In order to remedy this we wish our youth to be taught carpentry. Rev. Hadfield as men's liaison officer and Mrs. Mather as women's liaison officer, do a great work in Whangarei. They come in contact with so many people that their advice is valuable.

"We find that lack of higher education keeps some of our people out of important positions, so we try to persuade our girls to take up further training. There are three medical students and many nurses in training. One nurse, training in the Te Kopura hospital is a girl won to active Christianity by Mr. and Mrs. Withers. Three others are definitely taking up missionary work. Thirty girls are training as policewomen. One, we hope to get for Whangarei. As there are 200 committees north of Auckland City, the responsibility is widespread, and members in their own districts try to deal with the liquor trouble. There is no liquor at our meetings, or in the houses of committee members.

"Many of our Maori mothers are members of the Mothers' Union. Others are W.C.T.U. members. These women keep our Sunday Schools going.

"What we want now is a vigorous youth movement, and advanced education, so that our boys and girls will stand alongside yours as University men and women.

"How can you help us? By putting an end to the prejudice which exists amongst some of your people against people of other races than their own. We also hope to have a Girls' Hostel, and you can help by making this public and giving it your approval."

Members then asked the speaker a number of questions and he made some points much clearer.

WELLINGTON CALLING.

Will Treasurers of Unions in the Wellington District please send annual remittances to Mrs. Gardiner, 20 Fernhill Terrace, Wadestown. Mrs. Sawden is ill and cannot attend to them.

LATE ISSUE.

Owing to postal delays, shortness of staff, and sickness among staff, we regret that "White Ribbon" has been delayed, but knowing what the war costs in other lands, we say, "Better late than never."

OUTSTANDING WOMEN MET ABROAD.

(Continued.)

MISS ESTHER Y. LING. A very charming Chinese girl who studied in the United States for two years and received her B.A. at Crozier College in Philadelphia. She returned to China and was to return to the United States to take a position as a High School principal. She opened her report with these words:—"Friends who are interested in the same great cause for humanity, I bring you greetings from your sisters in China. The life of Frances E. Willard was introduced to me when I was in my 'teens. How I was inspired by her greatness. I joined the W.C.T.U. when I was a little girl, and like many of my Chinese sisters, I pledged myself to fight against intemperance of any kind." It was a pleasure to speak to her of our work, she was so keen.

FRAU ANNA K. FISCHER. Frau Fischer was one of the most popular and dominating figures at the Washington Convention. She was a luncheon guest of the German Ambassador while in Washington, and much sought after. She is a good speaker, but when she got excited broke into the German language. Frau Fischer is a President of the W.C.T.U. in Germany. My impression of her was that whatever happens, she will stand four-square for our Union.

MRS. H. C. HERBERT, J.P., is an outstanding officer of the Australian National W.C.T.U. I had the privilege of meeting her at conferences in London, Washington, and Vancouver. She gave a wonderful report at the World Convention of the work in Australia. She is a good speaker and delivers her message with earnestness.

MRS. LEIGH COLVIN, I first met when she met the delegates at New York where they disembarked from England in the "Queen Mary." I was surprised when I heard that the woman who had gone on her knees to help me unlock my case was the President of New York and the United States National Vice-President. Mrs. Colvin is a Doctor of Oratory and a very forceful public speaker. She is an ardent prohibitionist, very fearless, and one of the best-known temperance workers in New York.

ACROSTIC.

The White Ribbon.

There's a paper in Wellington published,
Having Temperance issues in view;
Enlightening minds of its readers

With thoughts of "Things lovely and true." (Phil. 4-8.)

How then, may we seek to encourage
Its editor's heart by the way?

That's easy. Let's all be subscribers,
Evincing an int'rest that may

Rebound on ourselves with a blessing;
Indeed, 'tis a blessing to be
Bound closely together in union
By White Ribbon Bonds, and to see
Our cause reaching onward and upward,
Now, list to the White Ribbon plea!
C. MacDonald.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



My Dear Friends,—

The year is half gone and we may think that we are not making much headway. Every effort counts with God. We cannot turn the world upside down, indeed oftentimes we feel how helpless we are to stem the tide of alcoholism that floods our country. Let us cry to God in our helplessness, our helplessness is God's opportunity. He will answer; He has power to turn the world upside down. He hears our cry. Let us pray more and more.

Effectual, fervent prayer availeth and prevaieth. This is something we can all do. The definite attitude of our hearts towards God whether by word, or by the upward look of faith reaches God's heart of love. If our union is praying, from north to south and from east to west, we may confidently look for an answer. The record of the opening of liquor bars in Invercargill is not good reading. No sane person with a desire for good citizenship could read of that bout of drinking without great sorrow that men and women could give themselves over to the gratification of appetite and forget that good citizenship is to live purely, to love justice, to strengthen the weak and to walk so that others may follow without fear of falling.

Our members in Invercargill did valiantly and they are ready to fight again. The liquor interests have won in the meantime, but the fight is not over. When God strikes (and He will strike when His army is fully equipped by prayer, faith, and readiness to obey His word) His stroke will smash the Liquor Traffic from this earth. Fear not, my people, we are going forward under the banner of the Lord of Hosts Who never fails.

How is the membership campaign progressing? There is still six months in which to gain new members. Let us get busy on this joyful errand of goodwill.

And what of the children? They are calling to us. Every child a total abstainer should be an every day slogan with us. This is imperative for the well-being of our girls and boys, for the well-being of our country. Let us thank God and take courage. He has called us to His service at such a time as this. What confidence He must have in those He has saved to serve Him in these days of grim fighting. Rejoice to be counted worthy for such service.

Yours for Home Protection,
JESSIE HIETT.



TREASURER'S REPORT.

JUNE 1 TO 30, 1944.

N.Z. Fund.

Dunedin Central, £3/3/-; Brooklyn, £1; Feilding, £1; Palmerston North, £1/1/-; Pahiatua, £1; Spreydon, £1/1/-; Wanganui East, £2; Wellington Central, £1; Oxford, £2; Waihi, Woolston, Levin, Dunedin South, Shirley-Richmond, 10/- each; Tua Marina, 5/-; Miss C. E. Kirk (donation), £5.

N.Z. Headquarters Fund.

Tauranga, £1; Tua Marina, £1; Opotiki, £1; Oxford, £1.

Organising Fund.

Brooklyn, £1; North Brighton, £1/6/-; Oxford, £1/17/6.

Maori Fund.

Tauranga, 10/-; Shirley-Richmond, 5/-.

World's Missionary Fund.

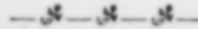
Hawera, 10/-; Shirley-Richmond, 5/-. Acknowledgment omitted from January list—Epsom-Greenlane, World's Missionary Fund, 5/-; N.Z. Fund, £2/10/-; N.Z. Headquarters Fund, £1/10/-; Organising Fund, £3/1/6; Maori Fund, 5/-.

Fanny Cole Memorial Fund.

Christchurch, £150; the interest to provide a prize or prizes in connection with Scientific Temperance Examination.

W. B. LOVELL-SMITH,
Treasurer.

143 Lewis Street



DONATIONS TO "WHITE RIBBON" DAY FUND.

FROM 1st JANUARY TO 11th JULY, 1944.

Riccarton, 10/-; Feilding, 10/6; Tauranga, 10/-; Northcote, 7/-; Levin, 10/-; Oamaru, £1; Wellington, 12/6; Warkworth, £1; Spreydon, 8/3; Dargaville, 5/-; Brooklyn, 10/-; Otahuhu, 7/-; Oxford, 12/8; South Dunedin, 5/-; Nelson, £2; Mosgiel, 2/6; Wellington Central, £1; North East Valley, £1; Ashburton, 14/-; Opotiki, 14/6; Timaru, 10/-; A Well-wisher, Johnsonville, £1; Mrs. Leov, 10/-; Blenheim, £2; Reefton, 10/-.
Total, £17/8/11.

A. D. GRIGG,
Business Manager.

DISTRICT EXECUTIVES.

NORTH CANTERBURY.

June. Mrs. Barrell presided. Good attendance. Report of New Zealand Alliance meeting by Mrs. Black. Remit received for consideration from N.C.W.: "That in State Housing schemes, the need in rural areas be met as well as in towns." Branches asked to send in slogans for posters. All branches reported good work being done.

AUCKLAND.

June 12. Mrs. Long presided. Good attendance. Reports on Mother's Day meeting and on Annual Meeting of N.C.W. given by Mrs. Long. Report of work to assist Maori people living in the City by Sister Jessie. Miss Appleby reported on visit to Maori Girls' Hostel by Sir Cyril and Lady Newall, also a visit by Mr. and Mrs. Allum, Mayor and Mayoress. Miss Read reported £50 for Hostel Fund from Dominion Maori Fund. Mrs. Kasper appointed District Superintendent for School of Methods Department. Mrs. Brewer and Mrs. Cook reported on work of their Departments. Next District Convention invited to Mt. Eden.

July 3. Mrs. Long presided. Devotions, Miss Queen. Thanks from Mayor of Auckland for congratulatory letter from the union. Mrs. Long reported on N.C.W. meeting and Mrs. Williams reported that Auckland District had won the Banner for largest number on the Cradle Roll for the Dominion.



TO HELP OUR UNIONS.

We would like to suggest that unions do all they can to create interest in our Christian Temperance work.

Some unions hold two meetings each month, one for business and the other for educational work, and where possible the latter should be held in the evening, so that young people from shops and offices can attend.

Where possible, get facts into the daily paper. One union pays for half-column of Temperance news weekly in a local paper.

And do not overlook the circulation of our own official organ, which supplies news of local, national and world work of the W.C.T.U., and also much educative matter.



AUCKLAND SCHOOL OF METHODS.

June 7. The Superintendent conducted the School. Two sessions were held, subjects taken were, "A Study of the New Zealand Constitution," "Departmental Work," "Finance."

Letters were read from World's President, World's Treasurer, and a very interesting report of the Australian School of Methods.

In the Devotional period, special prayer was offered for our Allies, and our Women internationally.

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A SAD RELAPSE.

After 38 years of No-License, bars were opened at the three hotels and the Brown Owl tearooms. The local papers report that the three bars of the restaurant were crowded throughout every hour of the six that they were open for business, and there was no let-up for the barmen, waiters and other attendants. Between 16 and 17 hogsheads of beer were consumed in the trust-controlled bars. No idea of the number of bottles sold could be given, but the stocks of the Kelvin and the Appleby were practically nil by 6 o'clock on Saturday. More than forty barmen were employed during the day, and they were kept fully occupied. Mr. J. McKenzie, of Christchurch, Vice-President of the N.Z. Licensed Victuallers' Association, said to a reporter of the "Southland Times," "I have been greatly impressed with the standard of the bars." He said he could not remember having seen such a varied assortment of bottled beer in any other bar.

The Brown Owl restaurant also did a brisk trade during the day. Soon after 10 o'clock it was almost impossible to get a seat. Probably the majority of the patrons were there for alcoholic refreshments, but a good many teas were served.

The "Southland Daily News" sums up, "The consensus of opinion seems to be that there is not enough bar space to accommodate the crowd and so things get a bit out of hand. No barman could keep a judicious eye on customers packed 15 deep in front of him. It was unfortunate that bottles from the bottle department were carried to the bars and

drunk there. Glasses and bottles strewn around do not add to either the appearance of the bars or the comfort of the customers. A stranger was heard to comment that the people of Invercargill did not appear to know how to take a drink and enjoy it. His impression was that most of them were competing to consume the greatest quantity in the shortest time."

Mr. Ritchie, chairman of the Trust, said that until 2 o'clock the running of the lounges was quite successful, but between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. conditions in the Kelvin Lounge could not be called good. These conditions would not occur again. Only those who had seats in a lounge would in future be served. It had not been a pleasant sight to see women standing at a servery clamouring for a drink. There had been no signs of drunkenness in the lounge.

The above account has been taken from Southland papers which were forwarded by the District President and Miss McCallum, and for which we thank them.

The sight of women as well as men standing and waiting for a bar to open is a very sad one, and Invercargill will rue the day when she once again licensed the sale of poison.

We speak of a Christian Order. Are scenes like these consistent with a Christian Order? And angels may weep at children in the Brown Owl with their mothers, and even local papers tell of the presence of prams there.

But the city will reap as it has sown and the harvest will be a very bitter one.

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Dear Sisters,—

In the May "White Ribbon" you all would read our Dominion President's appeal for increased membership. May I stress the importance of Home Meetings as an excellent way of gaining new members?

By this means we are able to contact women who otherwise would not be reached by our ordinary meetings, so I urge every union to get busy and arrange Home meetings. Every member can help by inviting her friends who are not connected with our Union, and thus interest them in our work, and do her part towards increasing our membership.

May God bless your every effort put forth for God, Home and Humanity.

Yours in "White Ribbon" Bonds,

VERA R. KENNERLEY,

Dom. Supt. for Home Meetings.

ALCOHOL.

Great World Leaders Speak.

Buddha, 550 B.C.—Drink not liquors that intoxicate and disturb the reason.

Chaucer, 1340.—Character and shame depart when wine comes in.

Shakespeare, 1600.—O thou invisible spirit of wine, if thou hast no name to be known by, let us call thee devil!

Frances E. Willard, 1895.—Indulgence in alcohol makes misery for all the world.

Gladstone, 1895.—The ravages of drink are greater than those of war, pestilence and famine combined.

Sir Wilfred Grenfell, 1928.—Alcohol has wrecked more lives, starved more children, and murdered more women than any other single factor.

Viscount Snowden, 1936.—If the money spent on drink was spent on clothing and other useful necessary goods, six times more employment would be provided.

Evangeline Booth, General, Salvation Army, 1938.—Drink has drained more blood, hung more crepe, plunged more people into bankruptcy, armed more villains, slain more children, snapped more wedding rings, defiled more innocence, blinded more eyes, dethroned more reason, wrecked more manhood, dishonoured more womanhood, broken more hearts, blasted more lives, driven more to suicide, and dug more graves than any other poisoned scourge that ever swept its death-dealing waves across the world.

Mr. Justice Fair, 1944, in charge to the Grand Jury in Auckland—On the list were 21 charges against 36 persons, added his Honour. These included two charges of murder, two of negligent driving causing death, seven sexual offences, two of robbery with violence, one of detaining a child from its lawful guardian, three of breaking and entering and theft, eight of theft (including one in which an amount of more than £1,900 was involved), and seven of slygrog selling.

The main cause of the increase in the charge sheet, said his Honour, was due to cases relating to the manufacture of and trafficking in spirituous liquor brewed illicitly. The shortage of spirits and the high profits obtainable from their illegal sale had led to a large increase in that trade, which brought in its train lawlessness, immorality, and crime. All good citizens must feel the gravest concern that the disreputable section of the community had found such an outlet for its activities, and all must commend the energetic steps of police officers to put an end to this traffic.

ALAS! NO CONVENTION.

War conditions and travelling difficulties combined to render it impossible to hold a Dominion Convention. But steady work has been done and we wish all our readers to know of it and tell it to others. The officers' meeting which received reports of year's work was held too late for all reports to appear in our June issue, and those held over are inserted in this issue.

Cor. Secretary's Report, Business Manager's Statement of Receipts and Expenditure.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

It is a great disappointment that owing to restrictions on travel we are unable to meet in Convention this year. We miss the contacts and friendship of fellow members.

The Dominion Officers met in May, and items of interest and business have been forwarded to all Districts.

The World's W.C.T.U. have not met in Convention, but reports of our work have been sent to World's Officers. Owing to war conditions, with the shortage of petrol, etc., some of the small or outlying Unions have been unable to meet and carry on the work, but we know when conditions return to normal we shall again have their support.

107, out of 150, branches filled in their questionnaires and returned them to me at the end of 1943.

There were 131 New, 5 Honorary, 5 Transfers, and 2 Associate members reported to me for publication in the *White Ribbon* during the year.

Banners.—Mt. Roskill has the largest increase in membership, with 19, and also the largest percentage increase with 271%.

In the Cradle Roll Department there are 8,237 members.

Invercargill Central, with 501, has the largest Cradle Roll for Unions with over 30 members.

Gore, with 280, has the largest Cradle Roll for Unions of under 30 members.

Upper Hutt, with 202, has the largest Cradle Roll for Unions of under 15 members.

Upper Hutt, with 80%, has the largest increase per cent.

The largest District Cradle Roll is Auckland, with 1,493.

There were 27 Bands of Hope reported, and three others not actually run by the Union were assisted by Union members.

Ashburton again wins this Banner with a membership of 286.

12 L.T.L.'s reported, and 11 give their membership; this totals 189.

The two major items on our Dominion programme for 1943 were the Licensing Poll and the Jubilee of the granting of the Franchise to the women of New Zealand.

The results of the Poll were a great disappointment to us and the loss of Invercargill as a No-License Area was very keenly felt.

Members all over the Dominion worked before the Poll; all Districts and the majority of Local Branches report that they distributed quantities of Literature. Three Unions report that they had shop window displays for Posters, etc., and two that they had slides, advertisements or films shown at picture theatres. Napier spent £30 in this excellent way of advertising.

The celebrations for the Jubilee of the Franchise were well carried out, thanks to the data supplied by the National Committee in Charge. This Committee was composed of representatives from National Women's organisations with our Educational Officer, Miss Elsie Andrews as Chairman, and the Business Manager of the *White Ribbon*, Mrs. Grigg, as Secretary.

Educational and Organising.

Owing to home ties, Miss Andrews was not able to complete the year's work, nor to resume this year, but we hope that next year she will be free to take up the Temperance Educational work for which she is so well equipped.

Miss C. McLay organised for three months in her District of Auckland, and assisted the local branches there tremendously. She gained 45 members in that time and revived the interest of others.

The Temperance Educational Films are a new departure for us, and the Dominion Officers are anxious that these be used where possible. There are four on hand and we have others on order. All information about the films can be obtained from Headquarters. They are specially good for the secondary school age.

Much entertainment of service men is reported—teas, suppers, etc., supplied to the different clubs, and one branch supplied light meals to soldiers on manoeuvres. Again large quantities of knitting and sewing has been done for the Patriotic Councils and Red Cross.

The Officers regret that Long Service Badges are not procurable until the war is over or such time as the Government releases suitable metal for these to be made. Last year twenty 30-year and twenty-nine 20-year Badges were presented. We are indebted to the members who have given so many years' service to our work.

L. M. MITCHELL,

Dom. Cor. Sec.

DOMINION TREASURER'S

REPORT.

The year ending January 31st, 1944, was unusual as it saw the celebration of fifty years of franchise for women of New Zealand. While many women were stirred by those celebrations, discovering anew the work of the pioneers of 1893, there was apparently little or no increase in our ranks during the year! There are fewer financial members judging by the figures of our cash statement. Possibly there are some fees that came too late for inclusion in the Treasurer's statement, and there are, no doubt, some uncollected fees, so that our actual membership is unknown. Capitation fees have been received for 4,025 adult and 217 "Y" members, and for 833 Niue Island members.

Franchise collections are £11/10/7 compared with £13/1/9 the previous year. Will branches please remember the Franchise collection at September meetings and endeavour to make a little thank-offering for rights gained for them fifty years ago.

Our Organising Fund has a credit balance of £448, owing to a lack of organisers! I hope these will soon be available.

Headquarters Fund shows a small credit balance, a legacy from Mrs. Don having been paid in.

All the funds show a credit balance, but while the position should gladden the Treasurer's heart, and does, one wonders whether we are making the most of our educational opportunities.

No other association can do what we are pledged to do, so let us all wear our Badge—be friendly to those we meet—be prepared to take our part as members of school committees, etc., and in social gatherings, and commend our cause by a friendly word and a pithy leaflet!

M. R. LOVELL-SMITH.

BUSINESS MANAGER'S ANNUAL REPORT, 1943.

I regret to report a debit balance on the year's working. This is partly due to subscriptions for the year not coming in until after the books had closed; and partly to a drop of about 25% in the *White Ribbon* Day Collection.

Subscribers number 2,537; in addition, extra copies paid for by subscribers or by Unions total 272. 71 copies are sent out free, or in exchange for papers from other countries. In all, 2,880 copies of our paper are sent out. We would like to see these figures up to 3,000 this year.

New Subscribers totalled 266, but we crossed off 180, leaving a net gain of 86. A large proportion of the names crossed off were subscribers who had received their Home Call. The new subscribers gained, I hope we will retain for many years.

The number of new subscribers in the different districts are:—

North Island.

North: Auckland	7
Auckland	45
South Auckland	19
Hawke's Bay	12
Taranaki	10
Manawatu	4
Wanganui	16
Wellington	37

150

South Island.

Marlborough	4
Nelson	4
Canterbury North	49
South Canterbury	16
Otago	37
Southland	6

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The following Unions gained 8 or more new subscribers:—Oamaru, Dunedin, Riccarton, New Plymouth, Raetihi, Wellington Central, Napier, Birkenhead.

Riccarton Union gained the greatest number of new subscribers (23) and wins the Banner for 1943.

They are also the Union with the greatest number of subscribers to the *White Ribbon* (131), and will hold the White Ribbon Vase for another year.

The Union with under 20 members having the largest percentage increase in *White Ribbon* subscribers for the year is Maungaturoto, 42½%.

The number of *Beacons* printed has gone up 350 per month, with a possibility of this number increasing when branches which have been in recess begin work again.

Y.P. Supplements.—The number of *Y.P. Supplements* sent out reached 4,500

during the year. The number decreases over the summer months when children's organisations are not functioning. We are still only reaching a small proportion of the young people of our country, and could push this work further.

We are indebted again to those members who give practical help by addressing the wrappers for us each month.

And we would place on record our thanks to our Auditor, Mr. G. A. N. Freeman, and appreciation of his freely-given services.

We thank, too, the principals and staff of Messrs. Wright & Carman for their co-operation and assistance in producing our paper.

And we pray that in our work of educating and influencing the people of New Zealand regarding the liquor traffic, the *White Ribbon* may continue to play the useful part it has in the past.

A. D. GRIGG.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1943.

EXPENDITURE.		RECEIPTS.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Printing and Publishing (including Postage, Wrapping, and Blocks)	450 10 6	By Subscriptions and Sales	429 15 11
Stationery	13 4 5	Advertisements	64 4 1
Postages	15 12 5½	White Ribbon Day Fund	21 4 6
Travelling	5 16 4	Maori Fund Payment	5 8 0
Telephone	4 1 10	Donations	2 14 3
Prizes (Y.P. Supplement Competition)	1 5 0		523 6 9
Clerical Assistance	26 0 0	Excess Expenditure over Income, 31/12/43	18 0 3½
Honorarium and Social Security Charges	22 10 0		
Toll Calls and Telegrams	1 0 6		
Sundries	0 12 0		
Bank Charges	0 14 0		
	<u>£541 7 0½</u>		<u>£541 7 0½</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1943.

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.			
	£ s. d.			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Accumulated Fund at 31/12/42	99 18 4	Cash in hand	2 5 0½		
<i>Less</i> Excess Expenditure, Year Ending 31/12/43	18 0 3½	Cash at Bank of New Zealand	60 3 0		
					62 8 0½
		Typewriter			10 0 0
		Desk and Pigeonholes			9 10 0
	<u>£81 18 0½</u>				<u>£81 18 0½</u>

Audited and found correct,—

G. A. N. FREEMAN.

6/3/44.

Bulletin of Union News

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Auckland.—June 13. Annual Pay-up Social. Mrs. Long presided. Cheering messages received from old members who could not attend. Mrs. Long gave an encouraging report of the work of Maori Girls' Hostel; the Governor-General Sir Cyril Newall and Lady Newall paid a visit to the Hostel and were very pleased with all they saw. Several members offered to do some baking for the Patriotic Shop. A very enjoyable programme of songs and recitations were contributed, and afternoon tea brought a pleasant afternoon to a conclusion.

Auckland Evening.—June 26. Miss Appleby presided. Devotions by Miss Greenman. A most interesting chat on "Methods" was given by Mrs. Kasper. This Department was originally started by Frances Willard, and had proved its usefulness in training leaders all over the world. Decided to hold Sewing Circle in July in Maori Girls' Hostel. Pledge repeated. Meeting closed with prayer by Miss Appleby.

Henderson.—June 21. Mrs. Chadwick presided. Good attendance, several visitors. Devotions. Scientific fact. Miss Shoemith gave a most interesting talk on her work in the slums and gaols in England during her 20 years' service in the Church Army. Benediction. Afternoon tea.

Kohi-St. Heliers.—June 8. Mrs. Kasper presided. Devotions, Mrs. Farr. W.R. Day observed by prayer. Mrs. Long gave a wonderful address on the many evils of these times and how to endeavour to meet them. Hearty thanks to Mrs. Long. Mrs. Machin received a vote of thanks for entertaining union in her home. Letter of sympathy to Mrs. Biddle in illness of her mother.

Mt. Eden.—July 4. Meeting held at home of Mrs. T. Clarke, Fairview Road. Excellent attendance. Reported that District Executive had accepted invitation to hold District Convention at Mt. Eden in September. Social Committee appointed. Miss Teasey gave a very interesting address on her work as a missionary in Ceylon. Mrs. Threadgold and Mrs. Lauder each sang two solos. Two members were received by transfer. Afternoon tea.

Northcote.—June 13. Mrs. Melville presided. 7 present. After Devotions, the President read an account of work done by Temperance women in America. Miss Piper read a paper for White Ribbon Day. 7/- was collected for same. Decided that the Secretary ask Rev. A. Johnston if he would sponsor a Temperance meeting for children. Afternoon tea provided.

Onehunga.—June 8. White Ribbon Day. Regret that on account of sickness, Mrs. Ashby, W.R. Agent not present. Weather inclement, but fair attendance. Very enjoyable afternoon fully occupied with various reports and W.C.T.U. business.

Otahuhu.—June 15. Mrs. Taylor presided and welcomed all present. Miss McLay gave address on the World Missionary interest of the W.C.T.U.—enjoyed by all. Mrs. West reported on W.R., stressing what a helpful, interesting paper it is, and appealing for more subscribers. Donation of 7/- to W.R. Fund.

Ponsonby.—June 15. Mrs. Joiner presided. Devotions, Mrs. Christopher; subject, "Launch Out into the Deep." Temperance fact, Miss Runciman. Thanks to Dominion Maori Fund for £50 sent to Girls' Hostel. Sister Jessie spoke of the work of the hostel. Thanks to Mrs. Long for organising Mother's Day. Sympathy to Mrs. Bragg in illness. Address by Rev. E. Waite on "The Drink Trade—the Country's Greatest Curse." Speaker thanked. Benediction.

Remuera.—June 27. Mrs. Kasper in the chair. Temperance fact given and pledge recited. Mrs. G. Robinson, Devotions. Mrs. Long gave a very interesting talk, including the work at the Maori Girls' Hostel, Parnell. Benediction. Afternoon tea. One new subscriber to "White Ribbon."

Takapuna.—July. Mrs. Mowday presided over a very well attended meeting, and welcomed several members of the Devonport branch. Mrs. Mowday led Devotions, and Miss Cullen read the 56th Psalm, stressing the 3rd verse. Mr. Reed gave a really encouraging and uplifting address, touching on the many leaders, past and present, in the army and

sport who were total abstainers. Mrs. Sykes gave Temperance fact. Afternoon tea followed the repeating of the pledge. Prayer and Benediction.

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Tauranga.—June 6. Small attendance, but day very wet. Mrs. Rickard and daughter visitors from Fencourt. Decided we get a regular supply of the Youth Supplements to distribute to the Sunday Schools. Mrs. Boag read a report from Mrs. Norrie re Seamen's Parcel. Mrs. Foxcroft gave a Temperance fact. Mrs. Christian gave a short and very interesting talk on the "White Ribbon" paper. A "Bring-and-Buy" held. Afternoon tea. Temperance Doxology. Benediction.

July 4. Very good attendance. Mrs. Christian presiding. Decided to send a remit to Dominion Executive to try and get the subject of Temperance taught in the schools. Mrs. Bryan gave a most interesting talk on the life of Mrs. Booth Clibborn. Afternoon tea. "Bring-and-Buy" held. Collection taken for the Headquarters Fund. Benediction.

Taumarunui.—June 15. Captain Dixon presided. Devotions, Mrs. Aitken. A "White Ribbon" reading and talk. Also a reading from F. W. Borham's "Pilgrimage of Evangelism." Decided no meeting in July. "Bring-and-Buy" in August.

HAWKE'S BAY DISTRICT.

Hastings.—June. W.R. Day. Mrs. Hickmott presided. Devotions, Miss Furniss. Sympathy to Mrs. Wilson in the death of her sister. Letter of cheer to Mrs. Paul, sick in hospital. Solo by Mrs. Thorpe. Correspondence from N.C.W., Plunket Society, District President, and our beloved Dominion President, Mrs. Hiatt. Discussion upon our work and need to revive it. Next meeting, Memorial Day. Speaker, Mrs. Chapman-Taylor.

MANAWATU DISTRICT.

Feilding.—June 7. Mrs. Spence in chair. Mrs. Tremaine, Devotions, saying that all the common walks of life have Christ. Prayers were offered up by members for our forces and all the nations at this time. Report given on N.C.W. meeting and a report of talk given there. Afternoon tea. Prayer.

TARANAKI DISTRICT.

Hawera.—June 31. Adjutant Lewis presided and led Devotions. W.R. Day observed by members reading extracts from the "White Ribbon." Collection for W.R. Fund. Secretary to write letter to Mrs. Peryman of appreciation of the fine paper the "White Ribbon" is. Resolved that something from "White Ribbon" be read at each meeting. Temperance tea. Prayer. Benediction. 3 new members.

New Plymouth.—June. Mrs. Brown in chair. White Ribbon Day. Mrs. McMullan read paper on the merits of our magazine. 10 new subscribers gained, total 41. Report from N.C.W. and remits carried dealing with liquor and women's conditions generally. Further gifts to Seamen's Rest. Benediction.

MANAWATU DISTRICT.

Levin.—June 9. White Ribbon Day celebrated. Several members read extracts from "White Ribbon." Mrs. Kennerley in chair, and Mrs. Stark conducted Devotional period. Motion of sympathy passed with Mrs. Foston and several apologies received. Band of Hope to commence on Monday, 25th June, under the leadership of Miss Gretta White and Miss Merle Kennerley. W.C.T.U. to take charge of cake stall at Salvation Army Sale of Work. Pledge recited. Afternoon tea. Benediction.

Palmerston North.—June 6. White Ribbon Day. Devotions, Mrs. Carter. Several members read extracts from "White Ribbon." All members were urged to wear their White Bow. Community singing led by Mrs. Shearman. Afternoon tea. Prayer.

July 4. Maori Day. Miss Jamieson presided. Devotions, Mrs. Cole. Vote of sympathy with Mrs. Beatson in the loss of her husband. Sister Irene Hobbs welcomed; also Rev. and Mrs. Martin. Speaker, Mr. Martin, who gave a very instructive talk on evils of Alcohol. Parcel of clothing sent to Ratana Pa. Afternoon tea. Prayer.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

Brooklyn.—June 27. Mrs. Gillings in the chair. Devotions, Mrs. Greenwood. Sympathy with Mrs. Jamieson, whose son is missing on air operations overseas, and Mrs. Pearson, who is ill. Mrs. Power reported the District Executive and N.Z. Alliance meetings. Mrs. Pearce distributed literature. Mesdames Raine

and Pearce volunteered to address "White Ribbon" wrappers. Temperance fact, Mrs. Dudley. There was an interlude of bright singing, accompanied by Mrs. Ra'ae. Members' afternoon, each contributing questions and answers relating to Temperance reform and work in England, United States, Russia and New Zealand. Sigil prayer. Benediction. Afternoon tea served by Methodist ladies.

Lower Hutt.—June 28. Mrs. Spencer presided. Mrs. Swift led Devotions, Texts of the Bible her subject. Three new members joined this month. A member at a Rechabite social to speak on the "W.C.T.U. and Its Work." Decided to hold a prayer meeting next month. Mrs. Heyes gave Fifty Golden Years as subject and a special collection was taken up for W.R. Mrs. Spencer reported the L.T.L. she is having at her home is doing well. Prayer. Benediction.

MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT.

Blenheim.—May. Prayers for forces, occupied countries, prisoners of war, and for peace preceded the opening of the meeting. A talk by Mr. A. S. Quennell on "Hygiene and Nutrition with Regard to Alcohol." Visitors and members from Springlands Union were present. June. Mrs. Girling in the chair. Donations to be sent to "White Ribbon" and New Zealand Funds. "White Ribbon" Day, interesting and helpful extracts were read from numbers of that paper. Letters to be sent to sick members and to those who had lost loved ones overseas.

Springlands.—June 20. Meeting held at home of president, Mrs. Green presided. Good attendance. Sympathy with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Doggett and family in loss of a son and brother. Mrs. Wells gave a brief paper on the personality of Frances Willard, Mrs. Gascoigne a reading on Dr. Edith Sumerskill's character, and the president read the "W.R." leader in May issue. The report of Dominion Executive meeting read and discussed. Negotiations in connection with Education films reported.

Tua Marina.—June 20. Seven members present. Four apologies. Devotions. 41 for Headquarters, 10/- for Seamen's Rest, and 5/- for N.Z. Fund were passed for payment. Letters of cheer sent to two sick members. A letter on our work and the Temperance Educational films were read. The president read several articles from different "White Ribbon" papers. Birthday spray to Mrs. Knight. Hymn. Benediction.

NELSON DISTRICT.

Nelson.—June 13. Mrs. Toomer presided. Good attendance. Temperance Fact, Mrs. Kidson Str. "Six years ago the Auckland Hospital Board was buying 8,000 bottles of stout and 5,500 bottles of beer every year. Now the bill for liquor is practically nothing." Special collection for "W.R." Members asked to take copies of Cradle Roll cards and to enrol as many babies as possible. Mrs. Rankin, Health and Nutrition Supt., spoke on "The Value of Vegetables in Diet." Vote of thanks for most interesting talk. Afternoon tea, hostesses Mrs. Doel, Mrs. C. Kidson.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Christchurch.—June 14. Miss C. Henderson presided. Letter thanks Dominion Secretary (Mrs. Mitchell) for our gift of £150 to establish Fanny Cole Memorial Fund to be invested, interest to provide prizes for Children's Temperance Examinations. Big bag of clothes sent to Maori Mission; also gifts of literature sent to men's camps. Reports given of visit to mental hospital and of birthday socials at New Brighton and Riccarton.

June 28. Miss C. Henderson presided. Thanks for sympathy in her illness from Mrs. Hiatt and thanks for our gifts of clothing from Sister Wilcox, Maori Mission. Bundles of wool taken by members to make scarves and pull-overs for Air Force men.

Linwood.—June 15. Special "White Ribbon" Day held and three new "White Ribbon" subscribers gained. Mrs. Ramsay presided. Mrs. Sage, Devotions. Extracts were read from the "White Ribbon" on the poisons of drink in this world to-day. The Band of Hope is progressing satisfactorily. Benediction.

Lytelton-Heathcote.—May. Good attendance. President, Mrs. J. T. Morton; Secretary, Mrs. R. Preston; Treasurer, Mrs. Webb. "Bring-and-Buy" was held for district funds.

New Brighton.—June. Mrs. Flower presided. Good attendance, both new and old, to celebrate the thirty-third birthday of the union. The usual business routine was transacted, after which a very bright programme (ar-

ranged by Mrs. Middleton and friends) was given. Items by Mesdames Griffiths, Boyce, Middleton, McKenna, Greaves and Miss Gimlett. Greetings were received from the Christchurch, North Brighton, Opawa, Papanui, Woolsdon, Linwood and Riccarton Unions. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the artists; Mrs. Mitchell thanked them on behalf of the members for their very bright and attractive entertainment. Afternoon tea brought a successful birthday party to a close.

North Brighton.—June. Mrs. Goldman presided. Mrs. McIlraith led Devotions. Letters of sympathy sent to two members who were sick. Departmental reports given by superintendents: Cradle Roll, Band of Hope, Mental Hospital Visiting, and Monthly Prayer Meeting. The Treasurer reported a balance in hand of £3/9/9. Mrs. Hiatt's letter in "White Ribbon" was read. "White Ribbon" Day was commemorated by the President reading several articles from our paper.

Riccarton.—June 8. Twenty-second birthday party. Large attendance from sister unions, guilds, etc. Much appreciated. Musical items rendered by Mesdames Olds, Harris, and Crowley. Elocutionary items by Mrs. Gee. President and secretary presented with sprays. On behalf of members, Mrs. James presented Mrs. C. W. Barrell with the gift of a handbag on her retirement from the office of President. A very interesting one-act play was staged by the Berwick Street Presbyterian Ladies. President thanked all who had assisted and so closed another year of our activities.

Reefton.—June 13. Mrs. Thompson, Vice-President in the chair. A message of sympathy to Mrs. Bray on the death of her uncle. "White Ribbon" Day observed. Mrs. Waddell gave a very interesting reading, "Broken Shells." Collection "W.R." Day Fund. Prayer.

Spreydon.—June 13. Apologies received. Members regret the illness of Mrs. Walker, our Secretary. Letter of thanks to Mr. Garlick for money received from the showing of a Temperance film at the Spreydon Baptist Church. Miss M. B. Lovell-Smith gave a suitable address to celebrate "White Ribbon" Day. Afternoon tea was served.

Sydenham.—June 1. Thirteen present, our President in the Chair. Devotions, Mrs. Davies and routine business transacted. Mrs. Woodward reported a visit to North Brighton birthday social. Home meeting held at the residence of Mrs. C. W. Barrell, and the Welcome Club Tea. Secretary reported a meeting of the N.Z. Alliance. A most inspiring address was given by Mrs. T. N. Gibbs on the need for taking God's promises literally, thereby obtaining Divine help for the difficulties and trials of our day in a very real sense.

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Timaru.—June. Miss Fyfe presided. Report of meeting of Dominion Officers in Christchurch read. £2 granted to Headquarters Fund, 10/- to "White Ribbon." Parcel posted to an overseas sailor. Thanks to members of Timaru Spinning Circle for outfitting a sailor with woollen goods. Mrs. Newlands reported holding a Home meeting and gaining two new members. Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Newlands appointed hospital visitors. Miss Stevenson delegate to N.C.W. Remits from N.C.W. discussed. Mr. Woodward reported that several seamen had expressed their thanks for hospitality and kindness received while in port. "White Ribbon" Day observed by suitable articles read by Miss Fyfe.

OTAGO DISTRICT.

Kaikorai.—June 27. Mrs. Flett presided. Praise and prayer led by Mrs. Orr. Rev. Reid Harper spoke on the Temperance Cause. He said that the real cause of failure was lack of the spiritual view of life, and habits which degrade body and soul. There was a large attendance of members. One new member. Benediction. Afternoon tea.

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.

Invercargill South.—June 13. Miss McCallum presided. Fair attendance. Mrs. Richards, Devotions. Pledge. Temperance Fact given. Sympathy with Mesdames Reidy, Robertson, Brodie and Miss Carmichael in their illness. It was intimated that the 60th anniversary of the starting of the W.C.T.U. would be on August 6th next. The Invercargill Branch has the honour of being the first formed in New Zealand. Fitting celebrations will be held. The Temperance films are expected to be shown in Invercargill shortly. Pastor Grundy gave a most encouraging message,

stressing the need for us all to wait upon God, and emphasising the Queen's message to the women of the Empire.

Winton.—June 28. Under the auspices of the W.C.T.U. a very successful public meeting was held in the S.S. Hall on the evening of June 28. Rev. Hugh Graham, of Invercargill, was the speaker, his topic being "Religion in Russia." Much interest in his address was displayed by the mixed audience. The Devotions were taken by Rev. Haigh, and Mrs. Wildey thanked the speaker. Supper was provided by the ladies present. A solo by Mrs. Smart, and a duet by Mesdames Fowler and Smart much enjoyed. Bundles of literature, a hussif, and our first homespun knitted jersey have been forwarded to Mrs. Hutton, Bluff Seamen's Rest. More spinning and knitting are in progress.

IN MEMORIAM.

On May 28th Mrs. Frank Wordsworth, a valued member of the Dargaville Union, entered the Great Beyond. A member of that union since its inception in 1922, proving herself to be a staunch and loyal supporter, always giving of her best. For many years she held the office of Vice-President, and had been Cradle Roll Superintendent for 16 unbroken years. She gave this section of the work very devoted attention. Her cradle roll at times had a membership of 170, and every birthday card went out faithfully, often delivered in person. Our sister was a valued member and zealous worker for her Church. Took part in patriotic work, and also supported other social organisations. She was loved by all who were privileged to know her. At the graveside the local President, Mrs. Jolly, read the W.C.T.U. service. At the monthly meeting, several members spoke feelingly of our departed sister, and those present stood for one minute in silence as a mark of respect. Our sympathy is extended to the sorrowing members of her family.



STOP PRESS.

We have just received the news that the appeals lodged against licenses on three sites in Invercargill have been dismissed. The appeals were lodged because these sites were near a church or schools. Particularly though, the site was only 300 yards from the proposed Southland Girls' High School.

There is much talk about the moral laxity of the youth of to-day, and yet the law allows a hotel where the pupils of a girls' high school and an intermediate school will have to pass these hotels and see the sights so often observed at such places.

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ARAMOHO, last Thursday, St. David's Church, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Chesswas, 7 Field St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. W. Bish; Cor. Sec., Mrs. E. Gilmore, 2 Paterson St.; Treas., Mrs. E. Good, 2A Paterson St., W.R., Mrs. Suddaby, Cumbræ Place.

ASHBURTON, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Barrow Square Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. W. H. Robinson, 49 Wellington Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Buchler, 127 Cameron Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Harwood, 12 Alford Forest Road; Treas., Mrs. Tulloch, 23 Peter Street West; W.R. Agent, Miss A. E. Watson, 48 Cameron Street; C.R. Supt., Mrs. Linn, 38 Cameron Street.

AUCKLAND, second Tuesday, in the Club Room, Y.W.C.A., Upper Queen Street. Devotional meeting, 2.15 p.m. Pres., Mrs. J. Long, 4 Brassey Road, Birkenhead; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Stimpson, 25 King George Ave., Epsom, Auckland; Cor. Sec., Miss N. Dewar, 4 Pom-pallier Terrace, Ponsonby, W.I.; Treas., Mrs. Swan, 18 Maungarei Road, Remuera, S.E.2.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Holmes, 100 Arney Road, Remuera, S.E.2.

BALCLUTHA, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Sec., Mrs. Allfrey, Main Rd., North Balclutha.

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BLENHEIM, 1st Tues., 2.30 p.m., in Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs. N. Forbes, 9 Grady St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. McCallum, Carvel St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. W. Bateup, Howick Rd.; Treas., Miss E. M. Tarrant, Customhouse St.; C.R. Supt., Miss I. Sheridan, South St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. W. J. Girling, Stephenson St.

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BROOKLYN, meets last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Brewer; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Jordan; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Gillings, 267 Ohio Road; Treas., Mrs. Gittings; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Dudley; C.R., Mrs. Sawden.

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CARTERTON, 1st Wednesday, in S.A. Barracks, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. F. Tyler; Sec., Mrs. Hunt, Park Road; Treas., Mrs. Peters; Cradle Roll, Miss Edwards; Devotions, Mrs. Every; W.R. Miss Waterson.

CAMBRIDGE, 4th Thursday, Methodist Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. A. L. Lewis; Rec. Sec., Mrs. F. Bycroft, Bryce St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. C. A. Kemsley, Bryce St.; Treas., Mrs. Wesley Hooker, 60 Queen St.

DARGAVILLE, 2nd Tuesday, Methodist S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. Jolly; Sec., Miss Edmed, 27 River Road, Mangawhare; Treas., Mrs. Moorhead, Junr., Awakino Road; W.R., Mrs. Noble; C.R., Miss Edmed.

DANNEVIRKE, 2nd Tuesday, in Methodist Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. D. Collin, 263 High Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs. E. Paviour-Smith; Sec., Mrs. Harper, 9 Madrid Street; Treas., Mrs. J. S. Holm; W.R. Agent, Mrs. McNabb, 67 Gordon Street.

DUNEDIN CENTRAL, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Baptist Sunday School, Hanover Street. Pres., Mrs. Hiett, 11 Duke St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Maxwell, 17 Opoho Rd.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Jackson, Cannington Rd.; Treas., Miss Macandrew, 11 Duke St.; Press and Parliament, Mrs. Downing; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Miller, 39 Oates St.; Vice-Pres., Sister Elinor, 18 Jones St., Mrs. Ballantyne, and Mrs. Garden.

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GISBORNE, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Goffe; Sec., Mrs. Wallen, 493 Aberdeen Road; Treas., Mrs. Coles, 8 Mangapapa Road; C.R., Mrs. Stockman; W.R., Mrs. Mackintosh, 1 Salisbury Road.

GORE, 4th Tues., 2.30 p.m., St. Andrew's Hall. Pres., Mrs. E. C. Smith, Aiton St.; Treas., Mrs. D. McAskill, Halton St.; Sec., Mrs. C. S. Rose, Onslow St.; C.R. Sec., Mrs. E. C. Smith, Aiton St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. T. Stevenson, Canning St.

GONVILLE, meets 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m. in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. T. R. Clancy, 10 Koromiko Rd.; Sec., Miss Roots; Treas., Mrs. T. R. Clancy; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Parker, 35 Koromiko Rd.

GREY LYNN, 2nd Wednesday, S.A. Hall, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. M. McClenaghan; Sec. and L.T.L., Mrs. W. R. Cook, A Mokau St., W.1.; Treas., Mrs. Wilson, Castle St.; W.R., Mrs. Gaddis, 26 Webber St.; C.R., Mrs. Neal; Maori, Mrs. Lovatt.

HAMILTON, 1st Thursday, in St. Paul's ParLOUR, London Street. Pres., Mrs. Gatman, Fifth Street; Sec., Mrs. Geo. Moore; Treas., Mrs. E. J. Davey, 53 London Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Miller, Robertson and Poolman; W.R., Mrs. Bradley, Bell Street; C.R., Mrs. Tucker, Collingwood Street; Literature, Miss Parry; Press, Mrs. T. Hutt.

HENDERSON, 3rd Wednesday, Methodist Church, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Chadwick, Great North Road; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Leman, Trimoana Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Johnston; C.R., Mrs. Hanson.

HAWERA, last Tuesday, at 2.45 p.m., in the Methodist Bible Class Room. Pres., Adj. Lewis; Sec., Mrs. F. Baker, 23 Disraeli St.; Treas., Mrs. Barron, 96 Collins St.; C.R., Mrs. Burton, Tawhiti Rd.; W.R., Mrs. Barker, Fantham St.; Notable Days, Mrs. G. Tozer, South Rd.; Tea, Mrs. Collins, Wilson St.

HASTINGS, 4th Thursday, Methodist Y.W. Room. Pres., Mrs. H. Hickmott; Vice-Pres., Mesdames T. J. Thompson, D. Cat-tanach, A. Hopper, Chapman-Taylor and E. Paul; Sec., Mrs. A. Pitt, 606 Victoria St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Hagerson, 112 Maddison St.; Treas., Mrs. A. Murtagh, 625 Nelson St.; L.T.L., Mrs. H. Buckingham; W.R., Mrs. Turner, Townsend St.

INGLEWOOD, 7th Wednesday at 2.15 p.m. Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. Mackinder; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Hanson; Sec., Mrs. Arthur; Evangelist: Mrs. Longbottom; C.R. and W.R.: Mrs. Young; Treas., Miss Pollard.

INVERCARGILL CENTRAL, meets 1st Wednesday, in St. Paul's S.S. Hall, at 2.45 p.m. Pres. and W.R. Agent, Mrs. Cameron, 33 McMaster St.; Sec., Miss McEwan; Treas., Mrs. J. H. Boyd; 143 McMaster St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Ruthven; C.R., Mrs. Millard; N.C.W., Mrs. Walker; Evangelistic, Mrs. Wesley; Notable Days, Mrs. Ayson.

INVERCARGILL NORTH, 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian Sunday School. Pres. and W.R., Mrs. F. W. Jelcoate, 289 Elles Road North; Sec., Miss H. S. Jamieson, 57 Layard Street; Treas., Mrs. N. Henderson,

INVERCARGILL SOUTH, meets 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in W.C.T.U. Hall, Grace Street. Pres., Miss McCallum, 53 Venus Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Cole, Walker and Holmes; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Reidy, 53 Teviot Street; Treas., Miss Griffiths, 235 Crinan Street; W. R. Agent, Miss L. Aitken; Evang., Mesdames Richards and Holmes; C.R., Mrs. Crozier; Notable Days, Miss J. McCallum; Musical, Mrs. Lee.

JOHNSONVILLE, 2nd Tuesday, at 2 p.m., at Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs. McBride; Sec., Miss Mitchell, 134 Nicholson Road; Khandallah, N.5; Treas., Mrs. H. Johnson, Petherick Crescent; W.R., Mrs. McRae; C.R., Mrs. Markie; Y.P., Mrs. Deans.

KAIAPOI, last Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m., in W.C.T.U. Hall. Pres., Mrs. A. Stocking, Cam Road; Sec., Miss Hamel, Fuller Street; Treas., Miss S. E. Evans, Fuller Street; W.R., Mrs. Phillips, Sewell Street.

KARORI, 1st Tuesday, Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Coombe, 18 Tisdall Street; Sec., Mrs. Johnson, 2 Shirley Street; Treas., Mrs. Watchman, 78 Campbell Street; W.R., Mrs. Horne, C.R., Mrs. Coombe; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Wood.

LEVIN, 2nd Friday, Presbyterian Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Kennerley, Cambridge Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs. C. Andriksen, Oxford Street; Rec., Sec., Mrs. W. Plaster, York Street; Treas., Mrs. Burnham; Devotional, Mrs. Stark.

LINWOOD, meets last Tuesday, in Baptist Hall. Pres., Mrs. C. R. N. Mackie, 199 Rolleston St.; Sec., Mrs. R. Black, 42 Cranley St.; Treas., Mrs. Beck, 583 Worcester St.; W.R., Mrs. A. Fuller, 20 Buckleys Rd.

LOWER HUTT, 4th Wednesday, 2 p.m., Wesley Infant Schoolroom, Laings Road. Pres., Mrs. Lopdell, 58 Waterloo Road; Sec., Mrs. Crawford, 48 Waterloo Road; Treas., Mrs. Cooper, 27 Maire Street; C.R., Mrs. Aldersley, High Street; Devotional, Mrs. Swift; Birthday League, Mrs. Aldersley; W.R., Mrs. Heyes, Melling Road, and Mrs. Teasill, Kauri Street.

LYTTELTON-HEATHCOTE, last Tuesday in each month. Pres., Mrs. J. T. Norton; Sec., Mrs. J. Preston; Treas., Mrs. A. Webb.

MT. ALBERT, 2nd Thursday, Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. Turner; Sec. and C.R., Mrs. Glaister, 9 Summit Drive; Treas., Miss McGregor, 11 Eldon Rd., Mt. Eden, S.2., W.R., Miss Murray, 68 Kitinui Ave.

MT. EDEN, 1st Tuesday, 2 p.m., Methodist B.C. Room. Pres., Miss A. M. McRay, 5a Oaklands Road, Mt. Eden, S.1.; Sec., Miss L. Elder, 5a Oaklands Road, Mt. Eden, S.1.; Treas., Mrs. Dunham; W.R., Mrs. Carter; C.R., Miss McKinney.

MASTERTON, McLennan Hall, Knox Church, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m. Pres. and "W.R.," Miss Tankersley, 14 Johnstone St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. H. Speight, 7 Johnstone St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Kitchener, Worksop Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Vennell, 3 Lett St., Lansdowne.

MAUNGATUROTO, 2nd Wednesday. Pres., Mrs. H. E. Flower; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. L. Molland; Temperance Fact and Cradle Roll, Mrs. A. Cullen; Birthday League, Mrs. Knightbridge; W.R. Agent, Mrs. H. Flower.

MORNINGTON, 4th Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. Tipler, 32 Elgin Rd.; Sec., Mrs. Wrightson, 10 Roseberry St., Belleknowes; Treas., Mrs. McKenzie, 38 Elgin Rd.; W.R. Agent, Miss Watts, 15 Peel St.

MOSGIEL, meets 3rd Tuesday in every month, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Bedford, East Pieri; Sec., Mrs. White, King Street; Treas. and Cradle Roll, Mrs. Bardsley, Irvine Street. "W.R." Agent, Miss Smith, Ayr Street.

NAPIER, 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Lewis; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Donnelly and Hayward; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Atherfield, 10 Spencer Road; Cor. Sec., Mrs. R. G. Martin, 56 Battery Road; Treas., Miss Ennor, 62 St. George's Drive; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Gwynne, 24 Juli Street; C.R., Mrs. Donnelly, Lawrence Road.

NELSON, 2nd Tuesday, Burrough House, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Toomer, 17B Wainui St.; Sec., Mrs. Keeble, 65 Richardson St.; Treas., Mrs. W. Andrews, 100 Brook St.; "W.R." Mrs. Doel, Mt. Pleasant St.; "W.R." Reporter, Mrs. C. Kidson, 24 Richardson St.; Librarian, Mrs. Snodgrass; C.R., Mrs. F. H. Cooke, Richmond Ave.; L.T.L. Supts., Mrs. Toomer and Mrs. Neal (jointly).

NEW BRIGHTON, 1st Thursday, 2.15 p.m., in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. R. Flower; Sec., Mrs. Edmond, Beresford Street, New Brighton; Treas., Mrs. N. C. Fraser, 34 River Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Clarke, Nelson Street; C.R., Mrs. Dobson, Hardy Street, New Brighton.

NEW PLYMOUTH, last Wednesday, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Miss G. A. Drew, J.P., 29 Gilbert St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. McMillan, 9 Wallace Place; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Wood, 2 Cutfield St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Oliver, Mt. Edgecumbe St.; Treas., Mrs. Norwood, Leach St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Ashworth and Brown; Sec. Seamen's Rest, Mrs. R. Deare, Hamlyn St.

NORTH-EAST VALLEY, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Young Men's Institute. Pres., Mrs. Green, Mechanic St., Dunedin, N.E.1; Sec., Miss Gibbs, 118 North Road; Treas., Mrs. Sanders, 57 Frame St.; Assist. Treas., Mrs. Johnson, 1 Bouverie St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. McLay.

OAMARU, Wesley Hall, 2.30 p.m., 2nd Monday. Pres., Miss Cowan, 18 Rother St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Acutt and Miss Smythe; Sec., Mrs. McLlwraith, 10 Till St.; Treas., Mrs. Walker, 47 Trent St.; "W.R." Mrs. Clarke, 62 Tyne St.; C.R., Mrs. Poole; Evangelistic, Miss Day.

ONEHUNGA, 2nd Thursday, 2 p.m., Methodist Hall, Grey Street. Pres., Mrs. F. W. Mountjoy; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Ashby, Stacey and Hickman, and Miss Caughley; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Stacey; Cor. Sec., Miss Hobden, 21 Cardwell Street, S.E.5; Treas., Mrs. Fordyce; W.R. and Home Meetings, Mrs. Ashby; C.R., Miss Caughley; Philanthropic, Mesdames Moore and Barnett; Evangelistic and Press, Mrs. Muskett; Maori "Y's" Supt., Mrs. Mountjoy; Assistant, Mrs. Moore.

OTAROHANGA, last Friday, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. G. F. Webster, Otawa Rd.; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Hodson, Mrs. Higgins; Sec., Mrs. C. Clark, Te Kuiti Rd.; Treas., Mrs. W. J. Cook, Te Kuiti Rd.; W.R., Mrs. C. Hood, Pterugia Rd.

OXFORD, 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Coronation Hall. Pres., Mrs. Comyns; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Hawke, Ryde, Roi and Miss Waterman; Sec., Mrs. R. D. Allen, High Street; Treas., Mrs. G. Jones; W.R., Mrs. E. Magrath; Evangelistic, Mrs. Cross; C.R., Mrs. Early; Band of Hope, Miss W. Comyns; Notable Days, Mrs. J. Jones; Flower Mission, Mrs. Bayliss; Backblocks, Mrs. Ryde; Press, Miss Caverhill; Pianist, Mrs. Fenwick.

OTAHUHU, 3rd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. W. Taylor, 34 Invention Rd.; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Beaumont, Fairburn Rd.; W.R., Mrs. West, 49 Atkinson Avenue.

OPOTIKI, 2nd Thursday, St. John's Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs. J. R. Sinclair; Sec., Mrs. J. W. Gordon, Box 85; Treas., Mrs. J. T. Thompson; W.R., Mrs. Corney; C.R. Miss McCallum.

OTAUTAU, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs. Brooker; Vice-Pres., Mrs. A. Harrington and Mrs. O. Renowden; Sec., Mrs. W. A. Harrington; Treas., Mrs. Hope; C.R., Mrs. Humphries; W.R., Mrs. Renowden.

PAHIATUA, 1st Thursday in month, Presbyterian Church, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. H. Paterson; Sec., Mrs. Ryan, George Street; Treas., Mrs. Greaves; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Greaves; Evangelistic, Princess Street.

PALMERSTON NORTH, 1st Tuesday, Baptist Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss C. Jamieson, 70 Albert St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Sexton, 315 Broadway; Rec. Sec., Miss L. C. Thompson; Treas., Mrs. A. Smith, 22 Marne St.; Assistant Sec., Mrs. Renton; Cradle Roll, Miss Connelly; Assistant C.R., Mrs. Hardisty; Hospital Visitors, Mrs. White and Miss Connelly; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Carter.

PAPATOETOE, 3rd Wednesday, 2.0 p.m., Methodist Church Hall, Kilmarnock Rd. Pres., Miss Queen, Puhinui Rd.; Vice-Pres., Miss Froude; Sec., Miss Kimpton, East Tamaki Rd., Otahuhu, S.E.7; Treas., Miss Heaven, 48 Cornwall Rd.; W.R., Mrs. Bartlett, St. George Street.

PICTON, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. Millen; Vice-Pres., Miss Harris and Mrs. Tobbell; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Wells, Milton St.; W.R., Mrs. Martien; Band of Hope and "Y," Mr. and Mrs. Powell.

PORT CHALMERS, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Sailors' Rest. Pres., Mrs. G. Mirams; Sec., Mrs. Tresidder, Harrington St.; Treas., Mrs. Sutherland; W.R., Mrs. Jenkins; C.R., Mrs. Mirams; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Watson, Hannah and Miss Farquharson.

PONSONBY, St. John's Ladies' Guild Room, 3rd Thursday, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. R. Joiner; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Read, Mrs. Olds, Sister Jessie; Sec., Mrs. I. Osborn; Treas., Mrs. Christopher; White Ribbon, Mrs. Wood; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Millar; Maori Work, Sister Jessie; Evangelistic, Mrs. Read.

PUKEKOHE meets 1st Tuesday at 2.30 p.m. in alternate Churches. President, Mrs. Currow, Prospect Terrace; Secretary, Mrs. Davies, Harris Street; Treasurer, Mrs. Ellis, Seddon Street.

REEFTON, 2nd Tuesday, 3 p.m., Wesley Hall. Pres. and W.R. Agent, Mrs. Absalom, Sherman St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Thompson and Julius; Sec., Mrs. A. Gilmore, Buller Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Halloran, Buller Rd.; C.R., Mrs. Sara, Sherman St.

RAETIHI, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs. W. H. Scarrow; Sec., Mrs. W. H. Sandford, Duncan St.; Treas., Mrs. Seerup; W.R., Mrs. Godby; C.R., Mrs. McLeay.

RANGIORA, last Friday, Methodist Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Hodges, 204 King St.; Sec., Mrs. A. J. Smith, 14 Albert St.; Treas., Mrs. Stan Watkins, Southbrook; C.R., Mrs. Hunt, 50 Newnham St.; W.R., Mrs. James, Percival St.

RICHMOND (Nelson), 3rd Tuesday, 3 p.m., Baptist Church. Pres., Miss Tarrant; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Cropp; Sec., Mrs. W. A. Lightband, Salisbury Rd.; Treas., Miss E. J. Tarrant; W.R. Agent, Miss Dyson, "Althorpe."

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT EXECUTIVE, 2nd Monday, 7.30 p.m., Esk St. Baptist Hall. Pres., Mrs. A. F. Walker; Vice-Pres., Miss McCallum; Sec., Miss V. A. Jamieson, 57 Layard St.; Treas., Miss Griffiths, 235 Crinan St.

STRATFORD, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Hall. Pres., Mrs. Sheridan, Hamlet St.; Sec., Mrs. J. Aitkin, Cordelia Street; Treas., Mrs. Wendelbourne.

SYDENHAM, 1st Thursday, Baptist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. R. M. Woodward, 48 Thackeray St., Waltham, Christchurch; Sec., Mrs. W. E. Drewett, 63 Roker St., S.I.; Treas., Mrs. Seivers, 31 York St., Opawa, Christchurch, S.E.1.; W.R., Mrs. E. Rogers, 37 Thackeray St.; C.R., Mrs. Filer.

TAURANGA, meets 1st Tuesday in Methodist Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. F. N. Christian; Rec. and Cor. Sec., Mrs. York, 1st Ave.; Treas., Mrs. Teasey, Edgecombe Road, W.R. Agent, Mrs. W. Foxcroft, Cameron Road.

TAKAPUNA, 1st Wednesday, alternately Takapuna Methodist and Milford Baptist. Pres., Mrs. Morgan Richards; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Winstone and Mowday; Sec., Mrs. Prussing, Campbell Rd.; Treas., Miss Prussing; W.R., Mrs. Pendray; Reporter, Mrs. Blackwell; C.R., Mrs. Winstone; Maori, Mrs. Locke.

TEMUKA, last Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., W.C.T.U., Room. Pres., Mrs. Grocott; Sec., Mrs. Butler, Hayhurst St.; Treas., Mrs. Buck; C.R., Mrs. Allanby; Evang., Mrs. Douglas; Rest Room, Mrs. Blackmore; W.R., Mrs. Douglas.

THAMES, 1st Wednesday, Mackay Street Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Whiteside, Karaka Rd.; Sec., Mrs. Paul, 65 Hape Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Scown, Richmond St.; C.R., Mrs. Riley, Karaka Rd.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Gooder, Palmer St.

TIMARU, last Tuesday, 2.15 p.m., Sailors' Rest. Pres., Miss Fyle; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Cave, 25 Raymond Street; C.R., Mrs. Heywood, W.R., Mrs. Howe, Otupua Road; Supt. for Seamen, Mrs. Norrie, 57a Wai-iti Road.

TE AWAMUTU, 3rd Thursday, Presbyterian Hall, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. W. Alexander; Sec., Mrs. W. McGee, Parawera, R.D.; Treas., Mrs. E. L. Purdie, Wynyard St.; W.R., Mrs. W. J. Thompson; C.R., Mrs. Poolman.

TE KOPURU, 2nd Thursday, Methodist Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. H. O. Bickers; Sec., Mrs. A. J. Wordsworth; Treas., Mrs. Hall, Taylor; W.R., Miss Taylor; L.W.R., Mrs. J. Widdup.

TINWALD, 4th Thursday, Methodist Church, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. L. McLroy, 83 Middle Rd.; Sec., Mrs. J. Oakley, Fords Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Harkness, McMurdo St.; W.R., Mrs. A. C. Wakelin; C.R., Mrs. Wakelin, Mrs. Harkness.

WAIPAWA, 4th Wednesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Ford; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Carson, Victoria Street; Notable Days, Miss Bily, C.R., Mrs. Carson.

WAIMATE, 2nd Wednesday, Knox Church Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. W. Duckett, Mary St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Hobbs, Hoare and Kippenberger; Sec., Mrs. C. Mills, 60 Bell St.; Treas., Mrs. Simpson, "Rylands"; "W.R." Mrs. Hosking; C.R., Mesdames Day and T. Hoare.

WAIPIKURAU, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Hall. Sec., Mrs. Fraser, Gaissner Terrace.

WAIROA, H.B., St. Andrew's Hall, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Macdonald. Sec., Mrs. Alexander, 16 Kopu Rd. W.R., Mrs. Edlington. C.R., Mrs. McDonald.

WANGANUI CENTRAL, 1st Thursday, 2.15 p.m., Trinity Church Parlour. Pres., Mrs. Duxfield, Okoia; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Wilson and Goodey; Treas., Mrs. Chelley, 8 Glasgow St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Ogg; W.R., Mrs. Wadsworth, 51 Keith St.

WANGANUI EAST, 2nd Thursday, St. Alban Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Day; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Bloor, Mahoney St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Jones; Treas., Mrs. Shute; W.R., Mrs. Cooper, 12 Boydfield St.; C.R., Mrs. Scott.

WARKWORTH, 2nd Thursday, Methodist Church, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. A. E. Baker; Vice-Pres., Mesdames S. Gittos and Utting; Sec., Mrs. E. V. Phillips, "The Briars"; R.D., Kapara Flats; Treas., Miss J. Martin; W.R., Mrs. Rowe.

WELLINGTON, meets second Wednesday, Constable St. Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Bubb, 44 Farnham St., S.W.1; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Bishop, 54 Ross St., Kilbirnie; Cor. Sec., Mrs. H. Montgomery, 31 Luxford St., Berhampstead; Treas., Mrs. Gardiner, 20 Fernhill Terrace, Wadestown.

WELLINGTON CENTRAL, 3rd Wednesday, 2 p.m., "Evening Post" Building. Pres., Mrs. Sired, 29 Maida Vale Road, E.1.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Cullen, 17 Lawrence St., S.1.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Hayman; W.R. Agents, Mesdames Hartman and Weldon; Treas., Mrs. Helyer, 280 Oriental Bay.

WHANGAREI, 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Hall, Pres., Mrs. Cheesman, 10 Kamo Rd.; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. W. N. Hills, 12 Norfolk St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Goodall, 1 Dinness Ave.; C.R., Mrs. Cheesman.

WINTON, 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. T. A. Thomson, Section 2, Otahuti R.D., Invercargill; Sec., Mrs. A. McIntosh, Gap Road; Treas., Mrs. J. Bromley, Essex Street; W.R., Mrs. C. Robinson, Park Road; C.R., Mrs. Dixon, Queen Street.