

The White Ribbon

For God, and Home, and Humanity.

Thought for the Month.

"Oh, let us pray for sanity; may strife and tumult cease,
And every man be drawn into the Brotherhood of Peace."

—Patience Strong.

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"PEACE IN OUR TIME"

"O brother man, fold to thy heart thy
brother!
Where pity dwells, the peace of God
is there;
To worship rightly is to love each
other,
Each smile a hymn, each kindly deed
a prayer.

For he, whom Jesus loved hath truly
spoken:
The holier worship which He deigns
to bless
Restores the lost, and binds the spirit
broken,
And feeds the widow and the father-
less.

Follow with reverent steps the great
example
Of Him Whose holy work was doing
good;
So shall the wide earth seem our
Father's temple,
Each loving life a psalm of gratitude.

Then shall all shackles fall; the
stormy clangour
Of wild war-music o'er the earth
shall cease;
Love shall tread out the baleful fires
of anger
And in its ashes plant the Tree of
Peace."

—John Greenleaf Whittier.

THE TREE OF PEACE

A few feet away from my front door is a tree. It is so tall that I have to stoop, when on the verandah, to see its wide, waving top. Its spreading branches hang over a great space; and to be under them is like being in a dream of poetry. Its leaves are scented; they are very green; and they rustle and glitter in the sunshine. At sunrise, from my bedroom, I see its highest branches and leaves suddenly leap into brilliant, golden colour; and as the light intensifies, it brings red glow and diamond glitter into the whole tremendous world which is that tree. Its trunk is magnificent. The grey of its ridged, strong bark has given joy to artists; it is a lovely tint. Some people say the tree is too near the house. Well, it has seen generations come and pass away; it has raised its crown so high that it is a landmark for many; and as yet, does not seem to have done any harm because of its position. Its beauty, shade and sheltering strength give it a claim to remain, at any rate, as long as I have anything to do with it. My lovely tree! In summer, I sit working under it, but so far from its trunk that I can see up into the world which is its network of branches and rustling leaves; and it is an unending joy. The

birds flit about inside it; and live their happy lives securely. The very winds seem to love to linger there, and the murmur dies away slowly. When the great gales come, how gloriously the branches wave, as if actually rejoicing in the tempest. It is a part of my life, and of those who dwell here.

Once, how long ago I cannot tell, it must have been a tiny sapling. It must have needed care, watching, tending. Did the planter dream that one day it would be what it is today? I think he could perhaps have looked forward and thought: "I can only make the beginning, but it will be fine for someone, some day."

This "Tree of Peace." We have heard the bells, the sirens, the singing and the cheering, and are beginning to realise that the terrible days of European War are over; dare we say, for ever? Peace is a TREE. It must be planted, tended, fed, cared for in every way. Too much has been said and written for more to be necessary here, but if the Tree is planted in our own hearts, and in our own homes, it may grow to be the grand, joy-giving, healthful guardian of our national and individual, international and world-wide security. God help us to plant now.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

Dear White Ribboners,

As so much depends on training the children in Christian Temperance I wish, as the Dominion Superintendent for the above department, to urge all Unions to introduce in their programmes of work, LEGIONS, even if it is only a small group meeting in a house.

I wish to extend greetings to all Leaders of Legions, and if I can in any way help, please let me know.

I remain,

Yours in White Ribbon Bonds,
ELIZABETH PRUSSING.

IMPORTANT NOTICES

Please do not send any money or notices regarding the advertisements of Unions to the Editor. These have to be re-directed to Mrs. Grigg, Business Manager, and should go to her in the first place.

HANDBOOKS — HANDBOOKS.

Has YOUR UNION ordered copies for its officers yet? Other members might like to have one, too. Price, 1/3. Cash should accompany order, and be sent to Mrs. Mitchell, 111 Lonsdale Street, New Brighton.

DEPARTMENT OF TEMPERANCE TEACHING IN SCHOOLS

The remit passed at the recent Convention: "That the Education Department be asked to have a quarterly lesson on the effects of alcohol on the human body included in the School Journal, and further, that inspectors be asked to examine and report on the same," was brought up at the March meeting of the Manawatu Branch of the National Council of Women. Members agreed that such lessons would be desirable; and decided that a letter should be sent to the Wanganui Education Board, stating that the Manawatu Branch of the N.C.O.W. wished to support the above remit which had been passed by the W.C.T.U. Convention.

The following letter was received by the branch of the N.C.W. a few days later from the Secretary of the Education Board: "The Board has agreed to endorse the suggestion contained in the Remit passed by the Women's Christian Temperance Union, and it is asking the Education Department favourably to consider the matter. The Board is also suggesting that the department make special reference to Temperance teaching in one issue of the Education Gazette."

C. JAMIESON

Dom Superintendent.

Later.

Manawatu Branch of N.C.W. have received the following letter from the Secretary of the Wanganui Education Board: "I have to thank you for your letter of 23rd April expressing the appreciation of your Council at the Board's action in supporting the action of the W.C.T.U.

"I have now received advice from the Department that when the new syllabus in Health is issued it is proposed specially to feature in the Education Gazette health education, which includes temperance and the effects of alcohol on the human body. The Department states that its opinion is that useful articles in the Gazette will be of more use to teachers than articles in the School Journal for the use of children.

"The Department also states that, further, Senior Inspectors will be asked to include in the annual reports, comments on the teaching of temperance in the schools in their districts."

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) GEO. W. BOULTON,

Secretary.

[Excellent work, Manawatu.]

TREASURER'S REPORT.

January 1st-March 31st, 1945.

N.Z. Fund: Sumner, £1/10/-; Linwood, £1/1/-; Mt. Roskill, 10/-; Gonville, 10/-; Christchurch, £5; Sefton, 5/-; Eltham, Dunedin Sth., Invercargill Nth., Kaikorai, Mosgiel (Mrs. Wedderspoon), Onehunga-Levin, Winton, Wai-

pawa, each 10/-; Manawatu District, £1/1/-; Dunedin, £3/3/-; Brooklyn, £1; Wellington, £2/2/-; Temuka, £1; Invercargill Central, £1; Feilding, £1; Hamilton, £1. Collection Convention reception, £5/2/7.

Headquarters' Fund (N.Z.): Pukehuia, Opawa, Kaiapoi, each 10/-; Christchurch, £5; Sefton, 5/-; Tinwald, £1; Oamaru, £5; Invercargill Central, £1; Levin, £1; North-East Valley, £2; Brooklyn, £1; Winton, £1; Riccarton, £2/2/-; Christchurch, £1; Bluff, £1; Mrs. Kasper, £5; Waimate, 11/-.

Franchise Day Collection: Waipawa, 10/-; Pukehuia, 2/6; Opawa, 3/-; Linwood, 5/-; Gonville, 3/6.

World Missionary Fund: Pukehuia, 6/-; Opawa, 3/-; Linwood, 5/-; Gonville, 5/-; Sefton, 3/6; Dargaville, 8/3; Ashburton, 16/6; Levin, 8/-; Feilding, 15/-; Riccarton, 10/-; Balclutha, 6/6; Oamaru, £1; Pahiatua, 6/-; Mt. Eden, 15/6; Oxford, 11/6; Auckland, 13/-; Shirley-Richmond, 5/-.

Organising Fund: Sumner £1/11/6; Port Chalmers, £1/16/-; Opawa, 18/-; Pukehuia, £1/10/-; New Brighton, £3; Dargaville, 15/-; Picton Y. Branch, 7/-; Linwood, £3/16/6; Mt. Roskill, 9/-; Inglewood, 19/6; Gonville, 15/-; Maungatoro, 18/-; Oxford Y's, 6/6; Johnsonville, £1/16/-; Kaiapoi, £1/1/-; Sefton, 9/-; Auckland, £6/1/6; Waimate, £5/3/6; Northcote, £1/1; Waipawa, 18/-.

Maori Fund: Sumner, £1/16/3; Port Chalmers, 4/8; Pukehuia, 5/-; Opawa, 3/-; Linwood, 5/-; Inglewood, 7/6; Gonville, 5/-; Waipawa, 10/-.

Y.P.C.T.U. Trust Fund: Sale of used stamps, per Miss Appleby, £2/5/-.

M. B. LOVELL-SMITH,
Dominion Treasurer.

SOCIAL AND MORAL HYGIENE DEPARTMENT

As your new superintendent of Social and Moral Hygiene, I would urge all Unions to work this department. In these days of "a changing world" love, truth and knowledge are what we need to use as tools. Let us all get busy that we may save some of our young people from the pitfalls of the present day.

If we could only get young mothers to realise the gift that God has entrusted to their care. If, from their earliest babyhood, love of cleanliness of body and purity of thought were implanted in their little minds, what a help it would be in after years. I remember reading a letter from a boy overseas to his mother: "You needn't worry, mother. I have too much regard for cleanliness to allow my body so much as to touch them."

Love in the homes, hobbies, plenty to do, and plenty to think of is what is needed for enquiring minds. Truth should be given in answer to a question, but details are unnecessary. A child does not think past his question as a rule. Knowledge is required, so that correct answers may be given.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The following letter was received some little time ago, but it is not too late for it to be emphasised, which we do gladly by publishing it here. No doubt there will be some reminder before the end of the year.

WORLD WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

5A Oaklands Road,
Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.I.
24/2/45.

Dear Comrades,

I take this opportunity of again sending you Greetings and Best Wishes.

Advice has just been received that our World Officers are planning to hold the next World Convention in Toronto in June, 1946.

I shall be very glad to have a full report from you of all your activities in the Christian Citizenship Department of our work.

I trust that in spite of war-time difficulties and necessary war-time activities the work of the Union has been maintained.

I shall be grateful if you will endeavour to let me have this Report before the close of the year 1945, in order that full and comprehensive reports of all the activities of the Union may be compiled for presentation to the next World Convention if conditions permit of it being held.

Yours sincerely,

A. M. McLAY,

World Supt.,

Christian Citizenship Dept.

NOTICE FOR PRESS REPORTERS.

The Editor thanks all who have reported Union meetings. She suggests that in future afternoon tea need not be reported, and also that Temperance Facts be reported separately, giving the source. These are good enough to be passed on, and will have a place for themselves in the hope of their being made use of. Please report as early as possible.

If the home, the school, and the church could be linked up by a closer bond, the parents, as well as the children would benefit.

Get some of your members to join up with "Parent-Teacher" associations. If there are none in your district, try to form one. Money-raising should not be the foremost objective; but the forming of groups of parents who will meet and discuss their problems under the leadership of a capable person. I will tell you of such an association, of which I am a member, another time.

Now, friends, will you appoint superintendents and get to work? Let us all be on fire to save these, our young people.

RUBY M. MOUNTJOY,
Dom. Superintendent.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

My Dear Friends,

As I write I am listening for the sound of Peace Bells. How great is the longing in millions of hearts to hear that joyful peal. Whilst waiting we remember with heartfelt sympathy those whose loved sons will not return; and yet for them there is the remembrance that but for the gallant servicemen who faithfully stood in the breach there would not be the peal of peace bells. When we remember the early days of the war, with Hitler striding over Europe, and compare those days with these, we humbly thank God for the men who endured, who fought and who died to free nations from tyranny. May we, who have been freed from the tragedy of war be worthy of the sacrifice that has been made at such tremendous cost. We have something to do to make our country worthy. Until strong drink is turned out root and crop our country is not worthy of what has been done for us. As long as we sell poison to destroy intellect, physical and spiritual vigour, we are not prepared for the home-coming of our war veterans. May the Peace Bells be a call to us to re-dedicate ourselves to our part of the defence of our land. The ancient, but powerful enemy, camouflaged as a friend, must be routed, and in the strength of our God we go forth to battle against this foe.

There have been several enquiries regarding a resolution passed at Convention concerning Conscientious Objectors. The resolution did not ask for their release, as is suggested by an article in "Truth." All that the resolution asked was that our law be brought into line with the English law where there is an Appeal Tribunal for C.O.'s.

I would urge every officer to secure a Handbook from Mrs. Mitchell, Correspondence Secretary. They will be ready very shortly now, and orders should reach Mrs. Mitchell this month if possible. The Handbook will contain every resolution passed at Convention and Unions should study them and endorse them after study.

We urged Unions to take up Children's work as part of a supreme effort to educate for total abstinence. Please read the Presidential address at your meetings, and act.

There is a department of our Union which may be used by every local Union. I refer to the Home Meeting Department. Through this avenue we reach mothers of children, and build on a solid foundation. When the home is right the children will follow right and will build well for the future.

"Free us, O Lord from selfish aim,
And Thine own Spirit give,
That we may glorify Thy Name,
While on Thine earth we live.

THE ROYAL COMMISSION

By "One Who Looked On."

And so the promises are at last fulfilled. We have the Royal Commission on Licensing at work. An impressive body of men and one woman, although one may legitimately object to the presence of one who has so long been connected with the Trade as Secretary of the National Council of the Licensed Trade.

A witness is giving evidence, perhaps the head of a Government Department. Seventeen departments have submitted statements and they are all led by Mr. J. D. Willis. And the Chairman, Mr. Justice Smith, turns to Mr. F. C. Spratt, leading counsel for the Alliance, to begin his cross-examination. A series of questions follows, all designed to find out more about those secrets of the trade which have so long lived in obscurity. And from the mouths of the witnesses comes a story that makes one gasp at what has been happening. One hears, for instance, of a brewery that evaded taxation for twelve years and then is found to have evaded £9,000 taxation, and a paltry fine is inflicted, although the Act provides that the fine shall be three times the value of the goods in respect of which the offence has been committed. Only for two or three years has the tax been 3/- per gallon, so you can work out for yourself what the fine could have been! Then we hear something of the way in which two firms have purchased huge quantities of spirits of wine, commercial alcohol, and used it for the manufacture of synthetic gin! One wonders what was the reason given for the issue of an import licence! Perhaps essential use—and then used for this poisonous drink. We hear of recommendations about the wastage to be allowed and how one brewery is allowed 10 per cent. and yet their wastage on a production in excess of four million gallons is only 2½ per cent. One calculates somewhere about three hundred thousand gallons a year extra. A useful profit when the sale price must be about 10/- per gallon. And so the evidence goes on, each one adding some piece to the rapidly expanding piece of mosaic against the traffic. No wonder is it that Mr. O'Leary, the leading counsel for the Trade says that they are in the position of defendants. We know they have enough to defend! One hears another witness suggest that the King Country Pact is non-existent, that it is the result of Alliance propaganda, and then the quiet questioning of Mr. Spratt, and the definite statement that there is evidence in plenty for the Pact.

Behind it all is the question addressed by the Chairman to the Commis-

So hence shall flow fresh strength
and grace,

As from a full-fed spring;
To make this world a better place,
And life a worthier thing."

Yours for God, Home and Humanity,
JESSIE HIETT.

sioner of Police, when he asked if he could give some indication of the general uneasiness in the minds of the people; an uneasiness that was the cause of the setting up of the Commission. And the Commissioner's reply about the unreasonableness of so many people who will do anything to break the law and consider that it is smart to do so. And so the days go, the Counsel for the Alliance proving, for instance, through their questions, the bad state of the New Zealand wine trade, and having the admission of the wine expert that much of the wine sold in New Zealand would be considered in other countries as unfit for drinking! These and many other facts make us believe that were they known generally, there would be a different story to tell at the elections. But they have been so carefully hidden and only now are being dragged out into the light.

What a sorry spectacle they present! One wonders how any man can possibly lend his aid to the continuing of such a business, and for many days yet must the enquiry proceed until all the facts are laid bare. And yet behind that enquiry is the will of the people—and to keep it going, as far as Temperance forces are concerned must be our aim. I believe that every thinking person will want to be in on this fight and we can be, through our prayers, our financial assistance.

This little account is written by request and in the hope that this movement will get in behind the Temperance Forces in a more definite way and loyally do their part in discovering the facts, so long and so deliberately hidden. For what you can do, please apply to your local secretary. I am sure she will be able to tell you! God is with us in this matter—why, therefore, are we so hesitant and so afraid!

FROM "THE BULLETIN"

The 76th Annual Convention of National W.C.T.U. met on September 15-19, 1944, in Columbus, Ohio. Mrs. Colvin, president of N.Y. W.C.T.U., and National vice-president-at-large, was elected National President, after Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, who held that high office for the past eleven years, announced her retirement. Mrs. Smith's retirement came as a complete surprise, and moved almost everyone to tears in the large audience of over 1,000 persons. She gave as her reason for retirement that "eleven years is long enough for anyone to hold office." For twenty years Mrs. Smith was State President for Iowa W.C.T.U., becoming president in 1933. . . . Mrs. Colvin will bring to her new office vast knowledge and experience in W.C.T.U. administration. . . . We look for a great future for the W.C.T.U. under Mrs. Colvin's leadership. Her husband, president of the National Reform League, with her, starts for the recovery of National Prohibition. The movement for the adoption of the 18th Amendment was launched at a Convention in Columbus 30 years ago. It won then—it will again.

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"WHITE RIBBON" GOLDEN JUBILEE

As most of the monthly meetings will be over before this is received, probably, a reminder for June meetings will be effective if given now.

It will be fifty years in June since the first number of the "White Ribbon" was published. This is probably a record for New Zealand women's papers. Other organisations formed recently have had some difficulties to encounter in publishing an "official organ." Some of these have had to be dropped after some short period and others have considerable trouble involved in the financial and business sides. We are more than fortunate in having a practically unbroken history of regular monthly issues of our paper. It is interesting to note that Mrs. Peryman held the position of editor for nearly three-quarters of these 50 years and her name will long be associated with the publication. She was the fourth editor of the paper and as we were reminded in our President's letter last month, many of us have not known any other.

It is quite an interesting thing for a meeting to ask various members to prepare a short talk on what they think the "W.R." should do for the organisation as a whole. As a medium for learning what other local unions are doing and what is going on in other parts of the world, it has a definite function. For keeping Unions in touch to some extent with the Dominion President it has great value. In a land of such long distances and somewhat slow means of transport we seldom have the pleasure of seeing our officers except at Convention time, or if, perhaps, we are fortunate enough to live in their neighbourhood, and it would be very difficult indeed for the

personal touch to be felt without this bond of friendliness.

Many other points will occur to those who care to think it over, and a very good afternoon's programme can be compiled on these lines.

But the matter of greatest importance is to be sure that the paper is read. One has evidence continually of careless perusal. If the "W.R." is worth the trouble of preparing, printing and sending out to its readers for the sum of 3/- annually, it is surely little to ask that it should be read with some appreciation of its value. This side should be really emphasised in any "W.R." afternoon it is proposed to hold.

One more point is that we do not have any revenue from advertisements, other than our own Unions require for their publicity. Not many magazines could run on those lines. It is generally assumed that much of the expense of printing is met by the advertising payments. We are unique in this. Isn't it really rather a pleasure to read through without constant requests to turn to another page because of intrusive advertising material? Of course, this also means that we have to be helped by the Unions for which we produce the paper, and by their generous support we are able to supply the official organ. We are hoping earnestly that all readers will be helped by the "W.R." But it is of no use to provide food for those who are not hungry. So please will all members seek to whet their own appetite for this monthly meal?

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AUCKLAND DISTRICT SCHOOL OF METHODS

A two-session School of Methods was held in the Temperance Room on April 16th, the president, Mrs. Kasper, presiding over a good attendance from the various Unions. At the morning session, a devotional period, a Public meeting study and a talk on the International work of the W.C.T.U. were given by Mrs. Kasper. Correspondence from some of the World's Officers was read.

The work of the departments of Health and Nutrition, Loyal Temperance Legion, Notable Days and Educational Bureau were studied.

At the afternoon session Mesdames E. Prussing, Mowday and Tennant

were present, and spoke of their departments. Plans of work were drawn up. The L.T.L. Notable Days were explained, and an Agenda for Mothers' Day was written up on the blackboard. Up-to-date papers are to be written for the Educational Bureau. Each Notable Day was discussed and suggestions made as to how they might be observed.

A discussion on "Health and Nutrition" resulted in the following suggestions: 1. A brief article with suitable cookery recipes to be printed in the "White Ribbon." 2. The subject to be studied at the local Unions on the following basis—The use of fresh, luscious fruits, grains and nuts, healthful products of nature, will furnish to the body all the elements needed to build good nerve, bone and muscle; will keep the blood pure and will do away with the unnatural craving for stimulants. These facts should be made known. The Bible has long ago recognised what scientists are only now waking up to, that some foods produce strength, and other drunkenness (Eccles. 10:17). There is no need to take alcoholic drinks for any kind of sickness. Two dozen lemons, if taken within forty-eight hours, will cure influenza, even when pneumonia is imminent. Take half a glass of pure lemon juice at, say, 5 p.m., then half a glass before bed-time, half a glass first thing in the morning, and the rest of the fruit every few hours until the whole of the two dozen are consumed within the forty-eight hours. Eat only thin bread and butter during this period, but take plenty of hot drinks between the lemon juice drinks. The juice should not be diluted with water, or have any sugar added. When the above course has been followed there are no ensuing ill-effects from the attack. In fact, one feels splendid after it.

Gargling and throat-spraying should be introduced into all schools and homes, especially during an epidemic. A simple remedy for sore throats is a third of a teaspoonful of powdered alum dissolved in a tumbler of boiling water. When cold, use as a gargle three or four times daily. A healthy throat is a necessity if we are to be strong and well. This will cure tonsil trouble, but you must persist and really try it out.

This, and much more information was given at the School. The Unions were urged to work this department.

DOMINION VICE-PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear White Ribboners and Friends,
 Dominion Convention is over and delegates have returned to their Unions. The activities for 1945 have been well launched. Just now, we wonder what this year will bring forth. We have had over five weary years of war, which, has made the work of the Unions very difficult, but, thank God, victory is in sight. We rejoice that we can now look forward to the cessation of hostilities with more confidence; but when the war ends we must not think that our work will be any less difficult. War found us struggling with many grave problems, and War increased those problems. Many of our young people have learned to drink. Our young men have had strong drink thrust upon them in the camps. Many hosts and hostesses serve it socially and we know that at times it becomes hard for our young people to resist. The pity of it is that too many parents are taking an indifferent attitude towards the whole matter. Yes, strong drink is making heavy demands on young New Zealanders.

We know, sisters, that the liquor interests have fastened themselves even more securely upon our nation than ever before. We have a Royal Commission sitting in New Zealand on Licensing Laws and although the evidence given by the temperance forces is strong against the traffic it appears that extended hours, licences in the King Country, and many other changes which must have a most adverse effect on the work of the temperance party are recommended.

I believe, more than ever, that Prohibition is the only solution of this evil in our land, with the help and grace of our Lord.

I read that a statement has been signed by Commanders-in-Chief of the British Navy, Army and Air Force, and it is this: "We commend the Gospel of Christ, our Saviour, for it alone can effectively mould character, control conduct, and solve the problems of men and nations. Faith in Christ the Lord, and obedience to His will as revealed in the Bible, ensures Peace of Mind and brings satisfaction in service to God and man.—(Signed) Andrew Cunningham, Admiral of the Fleet and First Sea Lord; Jack C. Tovey, Admiral; H. R. Alexander, General; B. Paget, General; E. L. George, Air Marshall."

Yes, it is the only way.

I feel honoured to have been elected your Dominion Vice-President, and extend to all White Ribboners my warm greetings.

Yours in service,
 AMY KASPER.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

TAUMARUNUI—1 transfer.

TAURANGA—4 new members, 1 transfer.

L. M. MITCHELL.

May 3rd, 1945.

CRADLE ROLL REPORTS

PARTY AT NAPIER

Our C.R. party was a great success. Happy mothers and bonny children filled the Hall. Proceedings opened with the singing of the Doxology and the C.R. superintendent, Mrs. Donnelly, took the Devotions. A short, but very enjoyable musical programme followed, those taking part being Beth Atherfold, pianoforte solo; Ruth Prebensen, elocutionary items, and Beverley Prebensen, songs. Mrs. Pointer acted as accompanist. Mrs. Ryan spoke earnestly to the young mothers present, re guiding the young feet in the way they should go. All present expressed regret at the absence of the president, Mrs. Lewis, on account of ill-health. Afternoon tea was much enjoyed, particularly two large decorated ice-cream cakes that took the hearts of the children by storm. Sweets were dispensed later and a very happy afternoon was brought to a close with the singing of the National Anthem.

PARTY AT WAIHI.

On April 19th, a very pleasant afternoon was given by the Waihi Union for the Cradle Roll members. Several mothers with their little people were present. The chair was taken by Mrs. Stewart, Vice-President, leaving the President, Mrs. Brown, free to play accompaniments. Devotions were taken by Mrs. Stewart, and some delightful musical items were given. The district president, Mrs. Christian, then gave a talk on the function of the mother in leading and training the child in the direction of the highest and best things, emphasising that no parent could live the child's life for him, nor could the parent compel or force the child to live his adult life according to his or her ideas. What could be done was terribly important, all the same, and no influence would ever be strong enough to erase that of the mother who by example and training started the little feet in the right way. The W.C.T.U. wished to help mothers in this by giving them the opportunity of promising to teach their children that total abstinence was the best start they could make towards living a good and useful life. The future lay in the hands of the children and our responsibility is to fit them for all that is involved in building well. Thanks were expressed by Mrs. Stewart. A wonderful tea was dispensed to the mothers and children.

DARGAVILLE PARTY.

The Annual Cradle Roll party was a very gratifying function with 21 adults and 36 children present. At the opening meeting Mrs. Roberts, district president, gave a very interesting and thought-evoking address. The president, Mrs. Jolly, read a sweet consecrative service for the seven new members who were added to the Cradle Roll during the year. The real party spirit was evidenced as the children, each wearing paper hats, were seated

at the attractively arranged and well-laden tea table, a large birthday cake occupying the centre. The "Bring and Buy" stall to help inaugurate the organising fund was well patronised. The afternoon tea was in the capable hands of Mesdames Dubery, Dreadon and Roxburgh. Capt. Smith, of the Salvation Army, has been appointed superintendent of the Band of Hope.

PARTY AT WINTON.

This was held in the Sunday School Hall on Saturday, April 10th, Mrs. Dixon, the superintendent, being in charge. The party was opened by an impromptu item, a song by Lois Campbell and a recitation by her brother, Ian. All the children joined in tiny tot games and songs. Ice-creams, soft drinks and biscuits were in ample supply and were served freely among the children. All present were treated to afternoon tea and ice-cream. In conclusion, the president thanked all helpers, also the mothers for coming along with their children. She also asked for their continued support by enrolling their children on the Cradle Roll, from this to the Band of Hope, thence to the "Y's" and on to the W.C.T.U. itself. Mrs. Fraser rose in appreciation and assured Mrs. Thompson that the cause was a very good one and she felt that the mothers would do their share by encouraging their children in the W.C.T.U.



BLENHHEIM WORLD-DAY OF PRAYER

Good attendance in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. The world programme with its theme "The Church Universal" was used. Mrs. A. Fear acted as leader for all sessions. Mrs. V. Powell, spoke on the various missionaries who had laboured in the Pacific Islands. Special prayers were offered for this work.

Mrs. P. Stephens gave a vivid and interesting account of the work of missionaries in Africa and told of the wonderful response of the people in parts of the African Continent. Prayers followed for various Church Missionary Societies.

In the afternoon, Mrs. H. Robinson, a returned missionary from China, spoke of her own personal experiences while living in that country, and of post-war construction regarding China's future among the nations. Intercession and silent prayers followed. Solo, "Bearing His Cross," by Mrs. Underhill.

Mrs. J. Bailey, also a returned missionary, this time from India, dressed in the traditional costume, told of work of the missionary in that land.

Church decorated with white gladioli, which, after the services, were sent to sick friends in hospital. Organist, Mrs. W. D. Pike.

In Memoriam

MRS. ROKE, WARKWORTH UNION

It is our painful duty to have to record the death of Mrs. A. Roke, one of our pioneer members, whose end came on April 16th at the age of 68. The late Mrs. Roke had been a member for more than thirty years, her earliest membership being in the Matakana Union, although for about 10 years she had been in our Warkworth Union. For three years she was president and often held meetings in her home on account of not being able to go out much. At the time of her death she was our representative on the Patriotic Committee and did good work in that capacity. She also was the owner of a 30-year service badge.

We shall indeed miss our loyal friend. Her presence was always felt in the meetings on account of her friendliness to everyone, especially with visitors. Her hands were always busy making things for some good cause. We can indeed say: "She hath done what she could," and we leave her in the tender care of Him Whom she loved and served.

MRS. DOVELL, THAMES UNION.

Mrs. Whiteside writes: "We have lost a member and subscriber to the 'White Ribbon,' in Mrs. Dovell, who passed away suddenly in February last. She had not long been a member of our Union, but for forty years had been a very active member of the Salvation Army at Thames. As she took a very active part in everything connected with the Army, as well as all other religious and social affairs in Thames, she was much loved by all and is very greatly missed. She leaves a husband and grown-up family, of which Mrs. Gooder is a member.

MRS. PAYNE, THAMES UNION.

We also lost another member about the same time, Mrs. Payne, who had been a member for very many years. For a long time she was in ill-health and unable to attend the meetings, but we kept in touch with her. She was at one time president of the local Union. She was aged 86, a twin, and her twin sister is still living, although an invalid.

These two ladies led very active lives, engaged in much social work, and were much loved for the kindness of their actions to all around them. Mrs. Payne left a grown family, one of whom, Mr. Sidney Ensor, has been our Mayor for several years past.

MRS. MACKINDER, INGLEWOOD UNION.

We regret having to report the passing away of our worthy president, Mrs. Lilian Mackinder, after a short, trying illness, which she endured with all patience. On March 24th she

answered the great roll call of Heaven, ready and willing to go to Him she loved so well.

Brought up in a Christian home, she early found the Saviour and went on from one field of labour to another, giving so willingly of her talents and strength. She did not confine herself to the church but was interested in any movement that had for its object the helping of others. She became a member of the W.C.T.U. 22 years ago, serving as secretary for three years and as president for fourteen years, holding also at times district office. She also served as a local preacher for the Methodist Church. The "Y's" also had her interest. She was greatly and richly blessed with an unselfish spirit and warm hospitality. Her home was ever open and no one left empty-handed. Those are all sweet qualities and leave behind a lovely memory.

A good and faithful wife and mother she was and a constant and unflinching friend. To those who remain we extend our loving sympathy and prayers. The writer stood by her bed and in a moment of consciousness holding her hand, Mrs. Mackinder said these words:

"I'm satisfied with Jesus here,
He's everything to me;
His dying love has won my heart
And now He sets me free."
"And give my love to district officers."

And so we left her in a sure hope of meeting in the morning.

Our sympathy goes out to these Unions which have suffered bereavement, and to the friends and relatives of those who have passed on "in the Faith."

SOME TEMPERANCE FACTS

Ashburton.—Given by Mrs. W. H. Robinson at the April meeting: "No other poison causes so many deaths, leads to, or intensifies so many diseases both physical and mental, as does Alcohol, in the various forms in which it is taken" (Emil Boyes, Ph.D., Pathologist, California).

Cambridge.—Given April meeting: "At long last the Government has announced the appointment of the promised Royal Commission to enquire into the liquor laws in New Zealand. There is one point that should be clearly represented to the Commission, viz., that no licensed house should be established in any area without the consent of the people who live in that area. The position in Invercargill, where the wishes of the people were over-ruled, is a warning that must be heeded" (from the "Outlook," 14/2/45).

Monthly thought given at **Lower Hutt April meeting:** "If you fall while treading the straight and narrow way, rub the bruise, and keep right on."

FOR THE PEACE CONFERENCE

The letter below has been received by the Dominion Officers. They have all registered their vote and these have been returned to Chicago. In such ways as this, we are reminded of our importance as a link in the mighty chain which spans the globe, the forging of which has been a major work of the past century, the chain of temperance endeavour in the cause of God, Home and Every Land. The letter reads thus:—

From Mrs. Ella Boole,
377 Parkside Avenue,
Brooklyn, New York.
January 26th, 1945.

To the Officers of the Women's Christian Temperance Union; and to the Presidents of the National W.C.T.U. in the United Nations.

Dear Friends,

At a meeting of the three World's Officers living in the U.S. this resolution was approved and recommended for consideration at the Peace Conference. We suggest that it be adopted by every one of the countries of the United Nations and be presented to the State Department of your own country or whoever may officially represent you at the Peace Conference.

The original idea for the presentation of this resolution came from the fact that when we had Prohibition in the U.S.A. other countries kept shipping in all kinds of alcoholic liquors. The same difficulty is encountered in the enforcement of narcotic laws. We are all concerned over the traffic in women and children, so that there are really three requests in this resolution, and there is the chance that we may be able to secure its insertion. It is only a chance but we believe it is worth taking.

Will you bring the matter before your National Committee and if they approve, secure the adoption of this resolution at the earliest possible moment? Invite other women's organisation to join in promoting its adoption. We are placing this resolution at the bottom of the page and hope you will approve.

Faithfully yours,
ELLA BOOLE,
President World's W.C.T.U.

To the State Department of

The Peace Treaty shall contain a provision for all nations to adhere to conventions controlling the traffic in opium and other dangerous drugs; a provision to respect all laws enacted by nations for the suppression of the traffic in women and children; a provision to respect all laws enacted by nations to control the traffic in beverage alcohol; and a provision requiring the co-operation of all signatories with nations which adhere to treaties and who make laws governing these problems.

Bulletin of Union News

DISTRICT EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

AUCKLAND.

April 9th: Meeting held in the Temperance Room at 1.30 p.m. Mrs. Long, president, in the chair. Twenty-two members present. Devotions led by Mrs. Bragg, and a solo given by Mrs. Castleton.

Members were welcomed and specially Sister Jessie. Letter of thanks to be sent to Mrs. Williams who had suffered bereavement. Apologies from absent members sustained. Temperance fact given. Minutes read and confirmed. President wrote to Minister of Railways re drinking on trains.

Financial statement given by Mrs. Wanhill. Arrangements made for Mothers' Day gathering on May 13th.

More representation on National Council of Women. Five members now on Council. Correspondence was read and discussed. Members asked to help on Poppy Day and also at the Patriotic Shop.

Arrangements made for welcome to Miss Andrews. Report on Maori Hostel work given by Mrs. Long who also intimated that Judge Shepherd would be visiting the Hostel in April. Annual Report had been sent to the Hon. Mr. Mason and to Mr. Allum, the Mayor. Letters were received from these gentlemen congratulating members on their work and appreciating the same.

Mrs. Lee Cowie sent a love message to all members.

Members were asked to notify their Unions re money for work in connection with the Royal Commission. Benediction.

SOUTH AUCKLAND.

April 27th: Held in the parlour of St. Paul's Methodist Church, Hamilton; president, Mrs. Christian, in the chair. Five Unions were represented. Devotions taken by the president. Following on routine business correspondence was read re visit of Miss Andrews to the District and concerning the Wallis House Findings. Tentative suggestions as to the best use to make of Miss Andrews' time were made; final arrangements being left till Unions had discussed this among their own members.

Plans for District Convention were made; this to be held at Hamilton on September 22nd and 23rd. Programme mapped out. Petty cash voted for secretary. President congratulated on becoming editor of "W.R." Mrs. Christian intimated that she would not stand for nomination as District President for next year. Various other matters talked over and meeting closed with Benediction.

TARANAKI.

Meeting held at New Plymouth. A tribute was paid to the life of one of our sisters who has passed away, Mrs. MacKinder, by Mrs. Arthur, who counted it a privilege to reside in the same district and to witness her Christian spirit and devotion to the temperance cause. The district president was unable to be present owing to illness, and a letter of sympathy was sent; also to Mrs. Barron in her long illness away from home.

UNION REPORTS

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Titirangi, March 20th: First meeting of the year, 14 present, Miss C. McLay, president, in the chair. Pledge recited by members. Devotions conducted by Mrs. Clark. Temperance fact given by Mrs. Shand. Decided to make more Seamen's Comfort Bags. Mrs. Hiatt reported 80 names on the Cradle Roll. Solo sung by Mrs. Campbell. Address by the Auckland District President, Mrs. Long, who spoke on the Dominion Convention at Dunedin. Warmly thanked, and presented with bouquet. Meeting closed with prayer.

Auckland, April 10th: In the absence of Mrs. Long, our vice-president, Mrs. Holmes, took the chair. Thanks received from the Henderson Union for the offer of extra prizes for the Temperance Essays by school children. A very inspiring talk was given by Miss McKay on "Women whom Jesus called to His Service." She urged the members to try to bring young women into the Union.

Kohi-St. Heliers, March 15th: First meeting of the year was held at Mrs. Kasper's house and took the form of a social afternoon, 12

members attending. Mrs. Kasper welcomed the members and gave the Temperance fact. Devotions were taken by Mrs. Machin. Pledge re-affirmed. Musical and other items were contributed. Mrs. Kasper reported on Dominion Convention and told of Mrs. Hiatt's impressions on the Invercargill working of Trust Control.

St. Heliers, April 19th: Second meeting for the year was held at Mrs. Lewis Eady's house. Mrs. Farr, the evangelist, made a plea that all members should be builders of the Kingdom of God this year. The president welcomed the members. The Temperance fact was that alcohol is a similar drug to cocaine. Resolutions passed at Convention were read and discussed.

Otahuhu, April 19th: Mrs. Taylor, president, in the chair. Mr. Carlisle, of the Baptist Church, addressed the gathering and gave a most interesting talk on the failure of Prohibition and how he admired the few faithful ones. He spoke words of encouragement to all to keep steadfast in the cause.

Ponsonby, April 19th: Mrs. Joiner presided, being welcomed back to the Union by Mrs. Long, district president, and suitably responding. Devotions were taken by Mrs. I. Osborn in the absence of Mrs. Read. Seventeen members and two visitors present. Members asked to attend Mothers' Day service on May 13th, and also to help in the selling of poppies. Temperance fact given by Miss Runciman. Mrs. Long urged members to trust in God for the reconstruction of the world and also gave a report of Dominion Convention, dealing especially with the remits which came up. Report on Maori Hostel also given by Mrs. Long. President thanked Mrs. Long. Afternoon tea was served, pledge repeated and Benediction pronounced.

Henderson, April 18th: Home meeting at Mrs. Chadwick's residence. Good attendance. Devotions. The speaker, Mrs. Kasper, gave a very interesting account of Convention. Successful "Bring and Buy" table to help the funds. Thanks extended to speaker and hostess.

Mount Eden, April 3rd: Attendance fair. Miss A. McLay presiding. Devotions conducted by chairman and the study of "Wine and the Bible" continued. An inspiring report of the Dominion Convention was given by Mrs. Long, District President.

Onehunga, April 12th: Busy, interesting meeting consisting of reports from different departments, arrangements for assisting in patriotic and many other organisations; also Cradle Roll party next month, and general business. Mesdames Fordyce and Chappell, recently returned from a holiday in the South Island, told of a few interesting incidents of their travels, the former also giving a report on the Invercargill Trust and telling of their visit to the "Brown Owl," while Mrs. Chappell told of the persevering and successful efforts of the Invercargill W.C.T.U. in getting a Rest Room for women, an exceedingly good building, and opening it free of debt.

March 22nd: Usual monthly and home meetings combined, and held in Methodist Hall, presided over by Mrs. Hatton, home meetings superintendent. Scripture reading and an Easter talk followed the routine business, and a solo was sung by Miss Smith. Mrs. Mountjoy, the delegate to Convention, gave a comprehensive, interesting and concise report of Dominion Convention, touching on all important features, for which she was heartily thanked.

Takapuna, May 2nd: Meeting held in Methodist Church, the president, Mrs. Mowday, in the chair. Good attendance of members and friends. Devotions were taken by Mrs. Read. Mrs. Blackburn's resignation as Press reporter accepted with regret, her faithfulness over a long period being greatly appreciated. Sister Jessie, of the United Mission, gave a talk on the Maori Hostels which are doing a great service in our city, by providing home life with a religious background. The Pledge, tea, and the Benediction closed a happy afternoon.

Grey Lynn: March meeting held in S.A. Hall led by vice-president, Mrs. Holroyd, in the absence of the president. Letter received from the latter wishing the members a successful meeting, this being the first for the year. Devotions and temperance fact. Paper from Mrs. Wright read, telling about drinking in Invercargill. Benediction.

April 11th: President leading. Devotions, temperance fact and Pledge taken. President read a poem, which was much enjoyed, about Abraham. Then she gave her experiences during her journey to Convention at Dunedin and reported on the Convention, which had been greatly enjoyed. Benediction.

SOUTH AUCKLAND.

Taumarunui, April 19th: A small meeting of friends, including one Maori. Devotions. Temperance Fact. Pledge repeated. Paper sent by Mrs. Hiatt read. Mrs. McDonald gave a talk on "Alcohol as a Friend and an Enemy." Literature was distributed.

Tauranga, May 1st: Good attendance. Devotions conducted by Mrs. Bensley who spoke on the value of all work in the great whole and urged the importance of each one's carrying out her part in the whole. Afternoon given to the discussion of plans of work and familiarising the members with the "Wallis House Findings." Miss Andrews' visit in August discussed. Arrangements made for circularising women's organisations reminding them of the monthly United Intercessory Service. Social evening planned for children, asking the co-operation of Sunday Schools, and including a temperance address, games and supper. Letter read from Police Headquarters expressing gratitude for appreciation sent regarding action taken concerning professional gambling in the town. Convention "W.R.'s" distributed. Sales table for Maori Fund. Busy afternoon closed with the Benediction.

Waihi, April 20th: Special Cradle Roll afternoon, reported in C.R. Column.

TARANAKI DISTRICT.

New Plymouth: Monthly meeting. Good attendance. Devotions and Temperance Fact, Minutes, and report of Dominion Convention. President read the leading article in the "White Ribbon." National Council of Women represented (three members). Interesting studies to be taken up. Two members transferred from another Union. Benediction.

(Dates omitted.) Mrs. Brown presided at the monthly meeting. Well attended. Devotions, Temperance Fact, report on Seamen's Rest Social, items, and a talk by Archdeacon Evans on the motive prompting the work of the W.C.T.U. Afternoon tea, collection and donations, £1.

WANGANUI DISTRICT.

Wanganui Central, April 5th: Mrs. Darfield presided and Mrs. Mercer led devotions, exhorting those present to endeavour to gain the interest of young people in our cause. A message of sympathy was sent to the relatives of Miss Hamilton whose death occurred in March. It was suggested by Mrs. Heatley that when a member is absent from two consecutive meetings she should be visited. Mrs. Grinstead, our delegates to Convention, reported on what transpired at Dunedin, which was enthusiastically received. A "Bring and Buy" stall was operated by Mrs. Mercer. Benediction.

HAWKE'S BAY DISTRICT.

Hastings, Easter Meeting: Held in the Methodist Hall, Mrs. A. Hopper in the chair in the absence of Mrs. Hickmott. Attendance good. Devotions were conducted by Mrs. T. Thorpe and the Scientific Fact given by Mrs. H. Buckingham. Members all re-affirmed their pledge. Mrs. Hopper gave a short reading on a Hebrew legend, "The Vine of Noah." Interesting letter read from the Rev. D. Gardner Miller and copies distributed to members. Mrs. T. Thorpe gave an inspiring Easter message on thoughts of women gathered round Christ at the Cross. Votes of thanks passed to tea hostess, Mrs. Warren, and Mrs. Turner for her floral decorations. Prayer closed a fine gathering.

MANAWATU DISTRICT.

Feilding, April 4th: Mrs. Spence in the chair, devotions being led by Mrs. Tremaine. Miss Jamieson led in prayer. Members gave items of helpful thoughts and verses. Miss Jamieson of Palmerston North gave a good report of the Convention, a vote of thanks being accorded her. Eleven members present and apologies from two. Meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. Cummin.

Levin, April 13th: Mrs. Kennerley presided and Mrs. Foston led in prayer. Mrs. Burnham, Convention delegate, reported in detail, thanks being accorded her. Miss V. Hudson read a paper from the Dunedin Alliance. Mrs. Cuttall was appointed as reader of the Scientific Fact, and Mrs. Moxham as press reporter. On behalf of the members Mrs. Rose, Senr., presented the president, Mrs. Kennerley, with a beautiful posy and expressed the good wishes of all the members to her on the occasion of her silver wedding. Mrs. Kennerley thanked the members. A box of flowers was also sent to Miss Merle Kennerley, with their love and good wishes for a speedy recovery from her illness. Mrs. Moxham brought greetings from the New Plymouth W.C.T.U. Benediction.

Palmerston North, April 3rd: Devotions conducted by Mrs. Wilson. Correspondence read

by Mrs. Sexton. Superintendents appointed: Mrs. Hodder, Legal and Parliamentary; Mrs. Claridge, Maori; Miss Edwards, Seamen's Rest; Mrs. Claridge reported on Dominion Convention, thanks being expressed by Mrs. Holland. Meeting closed with prayer.

May 1st: Devotional exercises consisted of "Texts that have helped me" given by members, concluding with prayer by Mrs. Shearman. Speaker, Mrs. A. H. McLean, who spoke on "Thy will be done," stressing the importance of obedience, and mentioning intercession as being a form of service that all could render, even the weakest and oldest. Decided to raise funds to help Europe's starving peoples through the Red Cross.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

Brooklyn: Mrs. Brewer presided and welcomed Mrs. Burn and all present. Devotions led by Mrs. Greenwood. Pledge repeated. Good attendance. Sympathy was expressed with, and a letter to be sent to the relatives of the late Mrs. Mowlem; also letter of sympathy with flowers to Mrs. Jamieson, a much loved member whose eldest son, Flight-Sgt. Laurence S. Jamieson, R.N.Z.A.F., was killed in action overseas; and to Mrs. Peryman in appreciation of her work. Correspondence received from Mrs. Christian re special announcements in "W.R.," from Wellington Union, inviting members to a special meeting in May; from the League of Mothers, Brooklyn Branch, extending an invitation to attend their Church Parade at the Baptist Church on Mothers' Day; also their meeting in May, when Mothers' Day will be observed; also from the President and Committee of Dr. Barnardo's Homes to the annual tea and concert. Letter of friendship to be sent to Dalefield Union. Two weeks' hospital visiting had been carried out by Mesdames Brewer, Buck, Pickering, Pearce, Dudley and Gillings. Various wards in the public hospital, also Ewart and Central Park were visited. Flowers, magazines, "White Ribbons," "Vanguards," fruit, cakes, sweets and other dainties were distributed, and lonely patients cheered. Mrs. Brewer gave a talk on the Royal Commission on Licensing, and Mrs. Pearce gave her impressions on the discussions that took place. Benediction. Baptist ladies were hostesses.

NELSON DISTRICT.

Nelson, April 16th: Mrs. Toomer presided. Good attendance. Devotions, Mrs. Goring. Mrs. Doel elected and welcomed as new secretary. Mrs. Toomer read pamphlet by Dunedin Branch of Alliance re findings of Wallis House commission. Decided to write to Mrs. Hiatt for further information. Grant made to L.T.L. Thanks to Mrs. Keeble and Miss Lammas for meeting seasonal workers. Over seventy people accommodated during season. Mrs. Toomer reported visiting Richmond and Motueka Unions. Members invited to next Richmond meeting. Meeting closed with hymn and Sigil.

MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT.

Blenheim, April 3rd: Mrs. Forbes presided. Fair attendance. Devotions led by Mrs. A. T. Milgrew. Letters of cheer sent to sick and absent members. £2 for Cradle Roll Superintendent, £5 for Headquarters Fund, and £1 for N.Z. Fund were voted. Members and friends are to be asked to give cash donations for our work instead of having a Street Stall. The President gave an interesting report of the Dominion Convention and was accorded a hearty vote of thanks. Benediction.

May 1st: Meeting held in Wesley Hall, presided over by Mrs. N. Forbes. A good attendance of members and friends. Devotions led by Mrs. Girling. A minute's silence was observed in memory of Mrs. C. E. Thompson, a faithful member just passed away. Most interesting talk given by Mrs. Bailey, representing Poona and the Indian Village Mission, on the life of native women and children in India. Sympathy extended to Mrs. Tom Pike and Mrs. L. Rodgeron in their illness. Benediction. Prior to the meeting, members took part in fifteen minutes of intercession for the World War and San Francisco Conference.

Springlands, 17th April: Mrs. V. Underhill presided over small meeting. Devotions taken by Mrs. F. Leslie, the theme of which was "The Resurrection." A message of love sent to Mrs. J. Stewart in the illness of her daughter. Sympathetic reference made to the sudden passing of Mrs. W. Lamb, of Spring Creek, who had been present at the combined meeting last month at Tua Marina. Decided that May meeting be observed as Mothers' Day. Afternoon subject, "Easter Thoughts," and all present contributed appropriate readings or poems. Helpful meeting closed with Benediction.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Reefton, March 13th: Mrs. Thompson presided. Miss Florence Smith, retired missionary from India, gave a most interesting talk on her work among the people of India, showing also some interesting curios. Thanks were expressed by Mrs. Thompson on behalf of the members. Meeting closed with prayer.

April 24th: Mrs. Thompson presiding. It was decided to join the N.C.W. Mrs. Absalom read the last chapter of the Life of Frances Willard. A letter of thanks was received from Mrs. Watson. Meeting closed with prayer.

Riccarton, April 12th: A large attendance in response to invitations sent out to sister organisations. Meeting opened with devotions conducted by the President, Mrs. Griffiths. Invitations were received from the National Council of Women, and the Home Service Association; also the Woolston W.C.T.U. Letters of sympathy were sent, and one of farewell to a member leaving the district. The Mental Hospital Report was given. Agreed that the May meeting begin with half an hour's prayer for Peace. Literature again given out for distribution in letter boxes. A most interesting and instructive address given by Miss Hunt, of Auckland, entitled "New Zealand: Home of a Nation." Mrs. Barrell moved a vote of thanks to the speaker, and the President closed with prayer. Tea hostesses were Mesdames Cuniham and Anderson.

Christchurch, March 14th: Miss Henderson presided. Our Union holds the banner this year for the greatest number of new "W.R." subscribers. Reports given by Mrs. Hawke on her visit to the Mental Hospital; by Miss Gordon on Sydenham Union Birthday Social. Mrs. Hawke, Convention delegate, reported on the proceedings. Miss M. B. Lovell-Smith also present and endorsed all her remarks.

March 25th: Miss C. Henderson presided. Sympathy letters sent to Mrs. Frank Thompson in the loss of her sister and to Mrs. Adkins in her illness. Elected Mrs. Neutz as delegate to the N.C.W. Letter sent to Mrs. Peryman on her retirement, and appreciating her work. Two dozen Convention numbers "W.R." distributed to members. Royal Commission proceedings discussed. Letter from Mrs. Hiatt read from "W.R." re Church's support of State Control Poll issue.

New Brighton, April 5th: Mrs. Flower presided at monthly meeting. Two visitors welcomed. Devotions led by Mrs. Flower. Treasurer's report received and certified correct by the auditor, Mr. Cooper. A letter of thanks to be sent to him for his services. Invitation to Woolston Birthday Party received. It was decided that a presentation be made to Mrs. H. Hale for her many years of loyal service as Secretary of the Band of Hope, and also that a letter of thanks be sent to the Rev. and Mrs. Allon Carr for their work in the W.C.T.U. and Band of Hope.

At the annual garden party held in the grounds of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Hall's home a very successful "Bring and Buy" was held, the proceeds to help various funds.

Oxford, February 10th: Meeting held in the Coronation Hall. A resolution was passed regretting the passing of the late Mr. E. Wells, a staunch friend of temperance. Temperance Fact given. Satisfaction expressed at the financial result of catering at the A. and P. Show. Decided to hold a Cradle Roll Rally and Band of Hope party in the May holidays. Major Fletcher (S.A.), gave a most interesting talk on her work as Matron of a Maternity and Rescue Home. Meeting closed with the Benediction.

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Ashburton, April 3rd: Mrs. Robinson presided and took devotions. Mrs. Rooke gave the temperance fact. A pamphlet sent by Mrs. Hiatt was read by the president and a letter of thanks was directed to be sent to her. The speaker was the Rev. D. M. Steedman who advocated more temperance teaching in schools. Education along these lines would show the youth of the Dominion that drink was their greatest enemy. Mrs. Steedman was thanked by Sister Mildred and Mrs. S. J. Buckles. An invitation was received from the Tinwald Union to conduct the meeting on April 26th, also an invitation from Mrs. Adjutant Smith for April 11th. Thanks were expressed to Mrs. Lion for a successful Cradle Roll picnic and to the speaker of the afternoon. Arrangements were made for the carrying on of the Band of Hope during the illness of Miss M. Jackson, superintendent. A very satisfactory financial statement was presented by the treasurer, Mrs. Tulloch, showing a substantial credit balance. Mrs. Browning closed the meeting with prayer.

Temuka, March 28: Meeting well attended and presided over by Mrs. Grocott in the absence of Mrs. W. Hewson. Mrs. Grocott led devotions which included the singing of two verses of several popular hymns. Roll call was responded to with a verse containing the word "Power." Next month's meeting to be Tuesday, April 24th, Anzac Day falling on the usual day. Part of Convention Report given by Mrs. Grocott who had attended for the first time, this to be continued at the next meeting. Vote of thanks to Mrs. Grocott, and closing prayer by Mrs. Butler.

OTAGO.

Lawrence, March 15th: Attendance fair. President in the chair, who also took devotions. It was decided to increase the number of Y.P. Supplements taken by the Union. The Secretary gave a comprehensive report of Convention which was followed by discussion. Pledge repeated and Benediction pronounced.

Oamaru: Mrs. Winn, president in the chair. Devotions led by Mrs. Elder. Mrs. Winn reported on her visit to the Waimate Union. Next meeting to be in the evening, and Mothers' Day observed. Appreciative reference was made to the work of Miss Tosh who had left the district. Mrs. Winn spoke on the power of Christ to do what the law cannot do, and as He works through human channels, everyone has a part to play in bringing about His will in regard to the drink evil. Vote of thanks to the speaker. Afternoon tea and benediction.

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.

Winton, March 20th: The first meeting of the year held in Salvation Army Hall, the president, Mrs. Thompson in the chair. Devotions taken by Mrs. Wilson, reading from Corinthians, and speaking on "Courage." Thanks given for a very successful Cradle Roll Party, Mrs. Dixon, superintendent, having been in charge. Agreed that a special party be held in April to celebrate the twelve "long service" records and to present appropriate badges. Solo by Mrs. Edgerton. Reports on Convention were given by the President and Miss Lindsay who had attended as Winton's delegate. Benediction.

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THAMES, 1st Wednesday, Mackay Street Schoolroom, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Paul; Sec., Mrs. E. Scown, 185 Richmond St.; Treas., Mrs. Gooder, Pollen St.; W.R., Mrs. Whiteside, Karaka Rd.; C.R., Mrs. Riley.

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WELLINGTON CENTRAL, 1st Thursday, 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 Hayman and Weldon; Treas., Mrs. Helyer, 388A Oriental Bay.

WHANGAREI, 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Hall, Pres., Mrs. Cheesman, 167 Kamo Rd.; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. W. N. Hills, 12 Norfolk St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Goodall, 8 Dinniss 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, South Hillend R.D.; Treas., Mrs. J. Bromley, Essex St.; W.R., Mrs. McKenzie, Park St.; C.R., Mrs. Dixon, Queen St.