

Dominion Officers' Reports—continued.

Organising and Educational

Brooklyn, £1/7/-; Te Awamutu, £2/6/6; Auckland, £4/11/6; Springlands, 10/-; Woolston, £2/1/8; Spreydon, £3/1/6; Otahuhu, £2/9/6; Blenheim, £2/2/-; Winton, £2/12/6; Onehunga, £2; Papanui, £1/11/6; Matakura, 6/-; Karori, £1; Oxford, £2; Hastings, £5/5/-; Picton, £1/17/-; Invercargill, £7/10/-; Nelson, £2/2/-; Timaru, £8/9/6; Wellsford, £2/6/6; Riccarton, £4/18/6; Northcote, 18/-; Opotiki, £1/10/6; Aramoho, £1/7/-; Mornington, £1/8/6; Gonville, 18/-; Feilding, £3/3/-; St. Heliers, £1/2/6; Maungakarama, £1; Mosgiel, £1/8/6; Carterton, £2/15/6; Ponsonby, £1/7/-; Dunedin Central, £11/14/-; Hamilton, £3; Henderson, 18/-; Grey Lynn, 18/-; Pukekohe, 12/6; Lower Hutt, £1/19/-; Stratford, £1/5/6; Roskill, 10/6; New Brighton, £2/15/6; North Brighton, £1/17/6; Kaikorai, £2/8/-; Bryndwr, £1/2/6; Christchurch, £2/8/-; Napier, £7/4/-; Palmerston North, £6/7/6; Waipukurau, 12/-; Epsom, £2/3/6; Kaiapoi, 18/-; Lyttelton, £1/2/6; Styx, £1/1/-; Wanganui Central, £2/5/-; Sydenham, £2/3/6; Cambridge, £1/10/-; Otorohanga, 15/6; Dannevirke, £1/16/-; Richmond, £1/2/6; North Invercargill, £3/9/-; New Plymouth, £2/10/-; Edendale, 13/6; Dargaville, £2; Titirangi, 18/-; Remuera, £1/2/6; South Dunedin, £1/7/-; Gore, £4/19/-; Devonport, 5/-; Temuka, £2/5/-; Wairoa, £1/1/-; Tauranga, £2/15/6; Takapuna, £1/8/6.

Maori Fund

Levin, Tinwald, Dannevirke, Hawera, Spreydon, Palmerston North, Riccarton, Mornington, St. Albans, Wanganui Central, each 10/-; Gore, £1; Mount Eden, 6/-; Ashburton, £1/12/-; Masterton, £1/4/3; Springlands, 5/-; Feilding, £1/2/6; Woolston, 5/-; Te Kuiti Maori, £1; Blenheim, 12/6; Tauranga, 13/6; Christchurch, £2; New Plymouth, 13/-; Hastings, 16/3; Papanui, 2/6; Nelson, £1/1/-; Wellsford, £1/3/-; Napier, 5/-; Oxford, 14/6; Mosgiel, 7/6; Waipukurau, 10/6; Gonville, 5/-; Richmond, 7/-; Maungakarama, 9/6; Dunedin Central, £1; Whangarei, 12/-; Pukekohe, 5/-; N.E. Valley, £1; Lower Hutt, 7/6; Stratford, New Brighton, Kaikorai, North Brighton, Epsom, Wairoa, Otorohanga, each 5/-; Kaiapoi, £1; Lyttelton, £1/10/-; Remuera, 2/6; South Dunedin, 5/-; Temuka, £1; Rangiora, 6/-.

Caravan

Matakura, 5/-; Riccarton, £2; Bryndwr, £2; Dargaville, £1.

Sailors' Rest

(Timaru): Te Awamutu, £1; N.E. Valley, £1.
(New Plymouth): Epsom, £1; Te Awamutu, £1; Masterton, 10/-.

Maori Hostel

Port Chalmers, £1; N.E. Valley, £1.

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NORTHLAND DISTRICT

Dargaville, November 9th: Annual Meeting. President, Mrs. Jolly, in the chair. Devotions, Mrs. Hill-Taylor. Miss Edmed reported the sending of a parcel of clothing for overseas. Mrs. Jolly reported on a Social evening held during the month for Headquarters Fund, from which £4 had been forwarded. Officers elected as follows: President, Mrs. Jolly; Secretary, Mrs. F. T. Moorhead; Treasurer, Mrs. S. Phillips; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Hill-Taylor and Miss Edmed. Superintendents also appointed.

Te Kopuru, November. This month the meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Wm. Godfrey, when Mrs. Bickers presided. Two new members were initiated and welcomed. Long Service badges were presented to Mrs. Godfrey in recognition of her years of service in office; and also to the Secretary, Mrs. A. J. Wordsworth. The President presented a report of the District Convention recently held at Maungakarama.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT

District Executive, November 29th. Mrs. F. W. Mountjoy, President, in the chair, over 100 members and visitors attending. Mrs. Long led in prayer after the singing of the National Anthem and Doxology. Excellent musical programme presented and thoroughly enjoyed. The guest-speaker was Dr. Mavis Mortimer; who gave a most interesting address on her work in Northern Rhodesia as a medical missionary.

A reply was received from the Acting Prime Minister, the Hon. Walter Nash, in answer to the letter sent to him by the District Executive on the Licensing Bill. Afternoon tea was served under the convener-ship of Miss J. Campbell; which brought a very happy afternoon to a close.

Ponsonby, November 18th. Annual meeting, Mrs. R. A. Joiner presiding; and welcoming all present. Devotions led by Mrs. Christopher, were appropriate to the closing of the year. The usual official reports and those of Superintendents were read. Officers elected were: President, Mrs. R. A. Joiner; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. B. Christopher; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames B. Woods, E. I. Olds, and Sister Jessie. Departmental Superintendents were also appointed. President wished all present the compliments of the season. Pledge and Benediction closed the last meeting of the year.

Kohi-St. Heliers, November 12th. Well-attended meeting at the home of Mrs. Lewis Eady; Mrs. H. Kasper presiding; and welcoming members and visitors. Beautiful bouquets were presented to the officers. Mrs. Pearson led Devotions, in which bright singing had a prominent place; a solo also being rendered. Annual reports showed progress. Donations were voted to the Maori Girls' Hostel; and Dominion Funds. Mrs. Kasper gave an address on the Licensing Bill then before the House; a telegram of protest being sent to the Acting Prime Minister. Officers elected were: President, Mrs. H. Kasper; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Ernest Eady and Pearson; Secretary, Mrs. Biddle; Treasurer, Mrs. Chas. Phillips; Superintendents also being appointed. Recess till March.

Henderson, December 2nd. Annual prize-giving for the Temperance Essays written by pupils of the local school; held at the school. The officers were welcomed by the Headmaster and introduced to the pupils, over 60 of these being assembled. Mrs. Dickinson gave them a most helpful address on "The dangers of forming bad habits"; which was listened to with keen interest. Five prizes were then presented for the best essays; Mrs. Dickinson thanking them for their splendid effort. The Headmaster expressed his appreciation to the Union for presenting such lovely books. Each child received a temperance blotter.

Remuera, Annual meeting, November 22nd; Mrs. H. Kasper presiding. Good attendance. Temperance Fact, Miss Gane. Pledge recited. A new member initiated. Officers elected were: President, Mrs. Clifford; Vice-President, Mrs. Robinson; Recording Secretary, Miss Tozer; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Robinson; Treasurer, Mrs. Laird; Superintendents also being appointed. Miss Tozer presented the annual report. Mrs. Kasper was presented with a bouquet in appreciation of her work with the Union during the year.

Onehunga, November 11th. Annual meeting. Official reports showed satisfactory progress and were well received. New Secretary, Mrs. Cullen; all other officers being re-elected. Special collection for Cancer Control Fund.

November 25th. Sale of Work successfully organised by Mrs. Breese, a devoted worker.

Warkworth, December 9th. Good attendance of members and visitors. Thought for the month given by Mrs. Bartle; Devotions led by Mrs. Thompson. Roll Call, answered by "Good tidings." Discussion on the Licensing Bill. Miss S. Taylor, guest-speaker, told from her own experience of the joys and sorrows, inspirations and disappointments of Christian work in an Indian village. She hopes to return to her work in 1949; and was presented with a sheaf of gladioli; and a gift of lingerie. Trading table and tea concluded the meeting.

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Te Kuiti, November 12th. Annual meeting, Mrs. A. Joseph, President, in the chair; and welcoming Miss C. M. McLay, who led Devotions. Pledge and Temperance Fact. Reports by Departmental Superintendents. C.R. now numbers 122. Eighteen ditty bags sent for seamen; and other good work reported. Officers elected: President, Mrs. A. Joseph; Secretary, Mrs. Ewan; Treasurer, Mrs. M. Joseph; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames Kukutai and McNaught. Mrs. Joseph appointed Convention Delegate. Miss McLay congratulated Superintendents and officers on their good work; explained the "Y" department, Sabbath Observance, and Good Citizenship; and gave information about Convention matters. Licensing Bill discussed. Closing prayer.

Otorohanga. Last meeting for the year, November 26th. Members from Te Kuiti and Te Awamutu Unions attended. Morning tea was served; and a very interesting talk on temperance matters was given. Luncheon was served, after which the afternoon session was opened with Devotions led by the Rev. Mr. Brown. Financial report given. Convention report given by Mrs. Joseph, President of Te Kuiti Union; and short talks given by Mrs. Alexander, President Te Awamutu; and Mrs. Coyle, for Te Kuiti Pakeha Union. A "Mystery" parcel table caused some amusement. Flowers were presented to several visitors, these being made by Mrs. Kenny. Mr. Brown gave a splendid address. Tea brought a very enjoyable meeting to a close.

Hamilton, December 2nd. Mrs. Clark presided over a good attendance of members and visitors. A vote of sympathy was carried, standing, with the relatives of the late Mrs. Stephenson Craig, President for many years. Officers elected as follows: President (acting), Mrs. Clark; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames Davey, Bradley, Moore and Trebilco; Secretary, Mrs. Buick; Treasurer, Mrs. Hood.

Tauranga, December 7th. Large attendance, Mrs. Christian presiding. Mrs. Williamson led Devotions. Miss Every, of Nelson Union, welcomed. Telegram of protest to local M.P. re Licensing Bill approved. Mrs. Hunt appointed Convention delegate. Delightful address given by Miss M. Harries of the Syrian Mission, on life and work in that field; a beautiful set of models of houses, utensils, etc. adding great interest. Special prayer asked on behalf of a girl recently converted from the religion of the Druses; who will have to face danger and hardship in upholding her faith. Bring and Buy.

Te Awamutu, November 18th. Closing meeting, in form of a Flower Show and Bring and Buy. Mrs. Kasper was the speaker; and gave an interesting account of her 1947 tour and attendance at the World Convention; holding the attention of her hearers for over an hour. Mrs. Wade sang a bracket of delightful solos. Visitors from Te Kuiti, Cambridge, and Otorohanga were present. Good financial result. Mrs. Kasper initiated a new member; and an enjoyable meeting closed with the Benediction.

TARANAKI DISTRICT

Hawera, November. Mrs. Hayward, Acting President, in the chair; also leading Devotions. Treasurer reported £5 15s. raised for Starving Children appeal. All very pleased to have present the Dominion President, Miss C. E. Kirk, who was on holiday at Hawera. Miss Kirk spoke on "Ways of Service"; and it was a very enlightening talk. Two solos sung by Mrs. Tozer were much enjoyed. Miss Kirk closed the meeting with prayer. Tea hostesses, Mrs. Burton and helpers.

Annual meeting, December. Mrs. Hayward presided. Good work for the year shown in Secretary's and Treasurer's reports. Bring and Buy stall conducted successfully. Mrs.