

The White Ribbon

For God, and Home, and Humanity.

Thought for the Month.

As one of the people of New Zealand am I a clog on the wheel—an aimless atom—or a real impelling force? An asset—an adjunct—or a deficit?

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ALL NATION'S DAY

History repeats itself, so our wise-acres tell us. Recent events have caused our thoughts to hark back to the beginning of our era—our Anno Domini—which era was born amid the travail pangs caused by the break-up of the Roman Empire. Since the conclusion of the titanic struggle between Rome and Carthage, the former had remained mistress of the world—a proud title—but only a small world.

Paleolithic man was head of the family and owned its members and their belongings. But constant feuds between families had caused them to unite into tribes for protection against other tribes. Then tribes united into nations, and Rome had gathered many nations beneath her wing. Are we not now upon the verge, not of a world empire, but of a world federation of nations?

But in Rome "where wealth accumulated, then men decayed." Hosts of slaves worked and the Roman master spent his time in ease and luxury and national decay set in.

The virile tribes of Goths and, later, Huns ravaged the outskirts of the empire, until in A.D. 410 legions were recalled from Britain and outposts of empire to guard the heart of the empire. But in Bethlehem had been born Jesus, the greatest reformer of any age, the Son of God, Who came to inaugurate a new era. He taught the fatherhood of God; the brotherhood of man; the value of the individual, and that love is to be the force to bind the whole wide world into one universal Kingdom of God.

But the Jews were not ready for such teaching, and they accused Jesus before the Roman Governor and He "was crucified under Pontius Pilate." But death could not hold its prey and He rose from the dead, tarried 40 days among his disciples, then took His flight to His heavenly home. But He left behind a precious gift—His spirit. No longer confined in an earthly body, this Spirit fills all space and dwells in all nations and peoples and this Holy Spirit "whom the Father will send in My name shall teach you all things."

THE DANGER OF ALCOHOL IN EMERGENCIES.

Never give alcohol to a patient except under definite medical advice.
—Dr. Courtenay Weeks, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

There is no disease in the world for which alcohol is a cure.
—Prof. Howard A. Kelly, John Hopkins University.

Alcohol belongs to the same group of narcotics as ether, chloroform and chloral.
—Arthur D. Bevan, M.D.

In shock or collapse give plenty to drink, preferably warm drinks, best of all, warm very sweet tea.

—Issued by Dept. of Health, England, for Dept. of Health, Scotland, June, 1940.

The above advice was also given by Dr. Smith of N.Z. Health Dept. in a broadcast last week (June, 1942).

Dr. O'Brien, Christchurch, addressing Convention:—

"In accidents much harm is done by administering alcohol. When bleeding is present, to give alcohol quickens the heart beat and increases the loss of blood."

This Spirit descended upon Saul of Tarsus and transformed him into Paul the Apostle, who traversed the length and breadth of the Roman Empire preaching the Gospel and winning many converts until the Roman Empire owned the sway of the Nazarene and became "The Holy Roman Empire." In 410 Rome was sacked by the Goths under Alaric. But these Goths had come under Christian influence and Alaric exhorted his followers to spare the lives of the unresisting citizens, and to respect the Churches of the Apostles St. Peter and St. Paul, as holy and inviolable sanctuaries. And now we face another crisis; not a nation, not a continent, but a world in arms. But a gleam lights up the gloom.

As a parallel to last era closing with the break-up of the Roman Empire, we are told that this era will close with the break-up of the British Empire. But when Mr. Churchill, representing Britain, the mother of nations, and the greater Britain beyond the seas, met President Roosevelt of the U.S.A.—the

daughter who had left her mother and set up housekeeping on her own—when they joined together they gave to the world the Atlantic Charter, with its promise of freedom for all, justice for all, and access to raw products of the earth—God's gift to every man—then a new era began and Christ's teachings were brought into the region of practical politics. And this month All Nations Day was celebrated by 28 nations who will support the Atlantic Charter.

The essence of Christ's teaching was "God so loved that He GAVE." And before the principles of the Atlantic Charter can govern this world, not only men, but nations must substitute for the old slogan of GET the new one of GIVE.

Unaided we cannot learn this lesson but the spirit of Christ is still His gift to the world. We pray "Thy Kingdom Come," and come it will when men and women everywhere open their hearts and minds to the teaching of this spirit. Then will come the day when "each will love his brother as himself" and

when, like Paul, we all agree that "It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor anything whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak."

"To be alive in such an age,
With every year a lightning page
Turned in the world's great wonder
book,
When every breath of common air
Throbs a tremendous prophecy of
things that are to be.
When steel and stone and rail and rod
Become the avenues of God,
A trump to shout His wonders
through
And crown the work that man may
do.

"To be alive in such an age!
To live in it, to give to it!
Rise, soul, from thy despairing knees,
Give thanks with all thy flaming heart,
Crave but to have in it a part,
Give thanks and claim thy heritage,
To be alive in such an age."



PEACE DAY SPEECH.

Wanganui Central was fortunate in hearing from Mrs. Williams a vivid account of the dangers and difficulties of evacuation from Port Moresby in time to escape the Japanese raids. From 600 to 700 passengers were picked up from various places from Singapore, Hong Kong, Kenza, by little boats from various mission stations throughout Papua, the Solomons and adjacent islands. One woman came by plane with seven children, one two weeks old. Many had in their care several children, and some had invalids, all uprooted at short notice, perhaps two hours to gather treasures and necessities, all they had left of their homes, in many cases all their possessions, for provision for this hasty, dangerous journey to unknown destinations.

The ship's captain insisted on having a military doctor with them, with so many invalids, and it was a wise precaution for there were at least 40 pregnant women among the crowded passengers, and during the journey three babies were born in the ship's cabin.

To Mrs. Williams it was not a first experience in wartime evacuation, for many years ago she and her husband, then missionaries in China, had undergone a similar experience. Since then Dr. Williams has been in charge of the hospital at Port Moresby, and now, leaving later than his wife, he is retained on active service as doctors are so urgently needed. Mrs. Williams explained how she had returned to Port Moresby only lately, expecting to be useful as a trained nurse of so many years' experience in the tropics. But all women got Government notice to leave war areas as, eager though the missionaries were to stay at the posts built up by so many years' toil and sacrifice, everyone left behind added to the difficulties of the defence in such a widely scattered and unprepared area, and also to the danger of their native followers. This is a fact to be kept

in mind when considering the problems of mission work, both for the duration and in re-building.

To hearers accustomed only to conditions here where war has not yet reached our shores, it was a lesson in learning sympathy with our countless sisters who have had to flee before it, to listen to brief, vivid pictures of the uncertainties and difficulties of such a journey. Obviously, little luggage could be carried, at most two small suitcases in all, of which the handiest, perhaps the least wanted for the voyage, would be hurriedly passed over to the owner. Many had come away almost penniless to find themselves in places quite unknown to them, whatever their circumstances of health or experience or ability. War necessities made ordinary conditions of travel impossible, such details, for instance, as knowing when a boat or train would leave, or arrive, as during the voyage everything had to be determined, of course, entirely without knowledge of the crowded passengers, according to what was happening in the nearest war areas the boat was passing. Even when landed, despite the kindness of officials, difficulties were not nearly ended when it was impossible to be sure of what the next step would be, or of how long a wait there would be before any step could be taken.

As Mrs. Williams has two daughters at school in Wanganui, her husband's injunction had been: "Get to New Zealand," and this she managed to do, though at times on the journey it seemed the last place possible to reach. After hearing of the difficulties of flight into friendly countries, where one's own language was spoken, it was brought home something of what countless of our sisters are facing among countries overrun with enemies. May God grant us ability to help.



CONTINENTAL SUNDAY ON ITS WAY HERE, SAYS MR. S. J. BRYAN.

"Just what I said would happen if Sunday picture shows were allowed in Brisbane is going to come about—the Continental Sunday," said Mr. S. J. Bryan (secretary of the Electrical Trades Union).

"The proposal now to stage Sunday football matches and other sports is the sequel to the Lord Mayor's agitation for Sunday shows. The silence of the Churches on the matter is astonishing, to say the least of it," said Mr. Bryan, "because in the past they have always stood against any unnecessary desecration of the day of worship."—Exchange.



THANKS.

The Editor thanks sincerely all friends who have sent letters of sympathy. The house in which she lives has been sadly battered lately, but is fast recovering and the spirit is still undaunted, fighting for victory over all ills and expecting it.

In Memoriam

MRS. NUTTALL.

Linwood mourns the loss of Mrs. L. Nuttall, their Peace Supt. Her home call came at the age of 86. The branch attended the funeral and members each placed a white flower on the casket ere it was lowered into the grave.

MRS. CARTER.

Wanganui East pays tribute to its late treasurer, Mrs. Carter. She was a very faithful worker and will be much missed. Members attended the funeral and the Union's burial service was read.

MRS. HOPKIRK.

Another helper has gone from Wanganui East Union. She died away from home. Will be missed by fellow-workers.

MR. F. W. O. SMITH.

A very prominent worker in church and temperance and educational activities, he was a member of Nelson Education Board for 26 years, and for 13 years its chairman. He was a member of both Nelson College and Victoria University College Councils and for some time chairman of Nelson Hospital Board. To his widow, a member of our Nelson Union, we tender our sincerest sympathy.

The Master has sent; and garnered in,
Ripe and ready his cherished grain,
Golden indeed his life's setting sun,
Blessed art thou, thy work well done.

MRS. DONAGHUE.

There lately passed to rest a very old member of the Petone W.C.T.U. For many years Mrs. Donaghue was its treasurer and after her removal from that town, she used to carry on the work and was a constant attendant at their meetings until the failure of health.



WOMEN'S DAY OF PRAYER.

The Women's Day of Prayer, organised by members of the Women's Christian Temperance Union was held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Blenheim, on Friday, May 29th, 1942.

Hourly sessions throughout the day were conducted by the following ladies: Mrs. W. J. Girling, Mrs. L. Bayley, Mrs. A. M. Hale, Mrs. A. Fear and Mrs. L. Lindsay. Each session, which was a complete little service comprised of hymns, prayers, Scripture reading, and a short address. A solo, "Wonderful Love," was very feelingly rendered by Mrs. V. Underhill. Mrs. Leslie acted as organist throughout the day. At the close of the sessions the Dist. President, Mrs. W. B. Wilson, announced that it was decided to hold such days of prayer each month, and invited all women to set aside the day decided on for combined prayer and to make it as widely known as possible.

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WELLINGTON, JUNE 18, 1942.

Unions have been informed that Miss Elsie Andrews has been appointed Dominion organiser, but unfortunately the Convention at which she would have been introduced to the Union representatives, had to be postponed owing to war conditions. The following article from the Levin paper will introduce our valued organiser to our readers and members.

ASPECTS OF RECONSTRUCTION.

Address By Miss Elsie Andrews.

A meeting was held in the Century Hall on Friday afternoon under the auspices of the W.C.T.U. for the purpose of hearing an address by Miss Elsie Andrews, Dominion organiser of the movement, who was scheduled to speak on "Some Aspects of Reconstruction."

Mrs. A. C. Kennerley, president Levin branch W.C.T.U., presided and associated with her on the platform were his Worship the Mayor, Mr. H. A. Phillips, the acting Mayoress, Miss H. E. Bowen, Revs. N. H. Finch and G. R. Harris, and Adjutant L. H. Jones.

His Worship the Mayor, expressed pleasure at being afforded the opportunity of extending a public welcome to Miss Andrews. He said that he felt that everyone was seeking the fullest information in respect to reconstruction after the war and on that account her remarks would be awaited with interest.

Miss Andrews, who was received with applause, expressed appreciation of the welcome accorded her. In introduction to her observations on the problem of reconstruction she observed that Christianity brought a new concept of God and a new revelation of what life should be. It showed men where they had gone astray both in their concept of the divine attributes and in their interpretation of the true means of life. Men had endeavoured to find happiness through temporal possession, and had restricted their spiritual life through concentration in

the interests of self. Referring to the era prior to the industrial revolution the speaker said that religion emphasised resignation to the status quo. After that revolution men saw an opportunity of altering this attitude. They saw a chance of amassing great wealth in the transference of their interests from attention to agricultural pursuits, which had previously, entirely pre-occupied their attention, to the utilisation of their capital for industrial development. Temporal interests became paramount and there arose in the social order the being who has been called the "economic man" and whose language was that of shares, and the stock exchange. Up to a point the experiment worked and many experienced a new standard of living but it was open to very serious doubt as to whether, in the process, they had not lost the fullest conception of life. Life of an earlier age was harsh but it was simple and to adopt the word of the poet, men had time to "stand and stare" but the intensification of living consequent upon industrialisation led to deterioration in spiritual quality, men suffered also economically. Artificial scarcities were created to maintain prices and as a result the mass were impoverished. Price rings developed. Pursuance of this economic theory had led to the control of wealth falling into fewer hands while the majority grew poorer. The fundamental flaw in the industrial system arose from the false analysis that man derived his highest stature in service for self.

Continuing, the speaker said that today we had come to the end of an era—that of the economic man. Out of the chaos of the present war we had to produce a new man and a new way of living. That work had to be commenced right away, not with the enunciation of some finely worked out economic plan, but with the laying down of certain basic principles, one of which, she said, was the principle of co-operation instead of competition, in effect by learning to bear one another's burdens. A further principle to be enunciated to-day was that society must be communal, rather than individual.

Passing from the aspect of the world situation and universal obligation, Miss Andrews concluded by stating that New Zealand had to apply the general principles within the sphere of her own problems and proceeded to enumerate

several evils which, in her judgment, had to be eradicated, one of the foremost of which was the traffic in intoxicating liquor. Nature had bounteously endowed the Dominion and if we wanted the social, rural and spiritual life of the country to match our natural beauty everyone had to get to work on the task of reconstruction, which was virtually the task of changing things and to adopt a negative attitude spelt endorsement of the old order.

At the conclusion of her address, Miss Andrews was accorded a vote of thanks on the motion of Miss H. E. Bowen, seconded by Adjutant L. H. Jones.

WITH OUR ORGANISER.

Members will be interested to know of the work being done by our new Organiser. Miss Andrews has been working in the North Canterbury District mainly and in addition to addressing all the local Branches at their own or special meetings she has been the guest speaker at the following "Outside Organisations":—

Registered Nurses' Assn.
Women Teachers' Assn.
National Council of Women (Palmerston North and Christchurch).
Federation of University Women.
Business and Professional Women's Club.
Business Girls' Club.
Y.W.C.A. Girls' Clubs.
Public Health Committee.
Technical College (Christchurch and Papanui).
Bible Classes.
Plunket Society.
Houghton Valley Primary School (Wellington).
Karori West Primary School (Wellington).
P.W.M.U.'s.
Methodist Guilds.
Public Meeting on Reconstruction in Christchurch.
Girls' High School (Palmerston North).
Technical College (Palmerston North).

Miss Andrews is now working on the West Coast and will then go south to Otago, Southland and South Canterbury.

OUR WAR LEADERS INTERVIEWED. AN ADDRESS GIVEN AT PALMERSTON NORTH UNION BY ITS PRESIDENT.

She told of the interviews that Dr. Frank Norris, an eminent preacher from the United States, had with some of Britain's leading statesmen. He had told Mr. Churchill that his wife had his picture on the wall of her bedroom and every night prayed, "God bless Winston Churchill." Mr. Churchill bowed his head and closed his eyes, and then, with tears in them, had said, "Tell Mrs. Norris I thank her, and keep on praying. I have the same faith that I received from my devoted mother. The issue is faith or no faith, God or no God, soul or no soul." Dr. Norris said, "Do you believe that, Mr. Churchill?" He said, "I do." To Mr. A. V. Alexander, the First Lord of the Admiralty, Dr. Norris put the question, "Do you believe that out of this will come a great spiritual awakening?" He replied, "When we look that way, and feel that way, I believe it will." Then he quoted from memory verses 19 to 31 of the 107th Psalm, and Dr. Norris said he had never heard it in quite the same way; it had made a new song to him, and he told Mr. Alexander that it had been worth a trip over the Atlantic to hear the First Lord of the Admiralty quote that Psalm. To Lord Reith, the Minister of Reconstruction, who had the colossal task of planning not only the rebuilding of the ruins of London, but of all Britain, Dr. Norris said, "It is a very strange experience, Lord Reith." The latter replied, "I don't think so. I profoundly believe that for Britain and America this war is a judgment of Almighty God." From a leaflet, "Christocracy, and Not Democracy, the Hope of the World," the president read, "Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is a mighty man of God, and has been used to perform a great work in China. Another is General Sir William Dobbie, Governor and G.O.C. in Malta. Mussolini thought at the opening of the war that Malta was an easy prey. If the British Empire had been searched, a better appointment than that of General Dobbie could not have been made. He is an out-and-out Christian, and broadcast a request for the prayers of Christian men and women for the task."

May 8th, 1942.

The Editor,
"White Ribbon,"

Dear Madam,

Opinions are always open to argument but I feel that if one is expected to reply to criticism it should not be anonymous.

A writer who signs herself "British" will be the first to agree that it is against our national tradition of fair play to ask me to stand out in the light and be shot at from the dark.

I am, etc.,

ELSIE ANDREWS.

(Correspondence now closed.)

TREASURER'S REPORT.

May 1st-June 1st, 1942.

Franchise Day Fund:

Woolston, 10/-.

World's Missionary Fund:

Faw. ra, 10/-; Dargaville, 4/6; Woolston, 4/-; Wairoa, 6/-; Hastings, 5/-; Shirley-Richmond, 7/6.

New Zealand Fund:

Oxford, £2; Hastings, £1; Waiuku, 8/-; Balclutha, 9/-; Linwood, £1; Waihi, 10/-; Napier, £1; Invercargill Central, £2; Riccarton, £1/1/-; New Brighton, 5/-; Dargaville, 5/-; Wellington Central, £1; Green Island, 5/-; Springlands, 5/-; Nelson, £5; Owaka, 9/-; Dannevirke, 7/6; Wairoa, 10/-; Tua Marina, 5/-; Tauranga, £1; Edendale, 5/-; Levin, 10/-; Johnsonville, 10/-; Manawatu Dist., £1; Warkworth, 5/-; Blenheim, £1.

N.Z. Headquarters Fund:

Dargaville, 1/-; New Brighton, £1 10/-; Oxford, £1.

Organising Fund:

Dargaville, 16/6; Oxford, £2/2/-; Balclutha, £1/13/-; Northcote, 13/6; New Brighton, £4/10/- (Jan.).

Dear Mrs. Peryman,

I would like to add, if I may, my very hearty thanks to all those Unions who have responded so promptly to my appeal for donations to the New Zealand Fund.

Up to date (June 6th) 58 donations have come to hand, and many of these are from the smaller Unions whose funds do not stretch to extra donations so easily.

The good wishes which have come along with the cash are much appreciated, too.

Yours sincerely,

DOROTHY K. ROBINSON.

LITERATURE.

At the latest meeting of Wellington Union it was decided to make a special effort in the direction of educational work. Eight ladies each bought a dozen assorted leaflets for which they paid 4d. These they will distribute either personally or by post. If delivered by post the cost will be: Leaflets 4d., envelopes 5d., postage 1/-; total 1/9.

If one or two leaflets are sent each month quite a number of members may find the expenditure within their means.

PLEDGE SIGNING.

Wellington Union has decided to make a special subject of Pledge Signing. Each member will take a Pledge Book for one month, promising that during that time she will make every endeavour to gain not less than two signatures. The book will be returned at the meeting following that on which it was received.

NEW SUBSCRIBERS.

Christchurch, 2; Wellington Central, 3; Eltham, 2; Wanganui East, 1; North East Valley, 2; Otautau, 1; Owaka, 6; Raetihi, 3; Taumarunui, 2; Shirley-Richmond, 1; Nelson, 1; Grey Lynn, 6; Wanganui, 1; Opawa, 1; Spreydon, 2; Oamaru, 2; Warkworth, 1; Carterton, 1; Riccarton, 5; Point Chevalier, 1; Invercargill Central, 2; South Dunedin, 3; Wellington, 5; Whangarei, 1; Cambridge, 1; Frankton, 1; Tinwald, 1; Oxford, 1; Palmerston North, 1.

Total, from 1st March to 10th June, 1942 = 60.

WELL DONE, EVERYBODY!

Please keep up this splendid record for new subscribers. It shows we can if we will.

In this issue the advertisements have been shortened a little in order to save space, but no union has been given less space than is paid for. The rates are £1 for 10 lines; 10/- for 5 lines; and 5/- for a small insertion of the name of union, place of meeting and Secretary's name and address, per year. We are on our limit for paper and must again include the Y.P. Supplement as part of the White Ribbon. However, you will see this page has been ruled so that it can be detached for giving away. We still have separate copies of the Y.P. Supplement for Bands of Hope and L.T.L.'s, etc.

Our educational campaign can be helped by making our paper more widely read and studied.

Yours in White Ribbon Bonds,

A. D. GRIGG,

Business Manager.

MORAL AND SOCIAL HYGIENE DEPARTMENT.

The art and, even more, the duty of self-control, which is one great factor in helping folk to live decently and at the same time be of considerable use in the world, should be an early lesson in the life of any child. The Plunket nurses urge this from earliest infancy. The establishment of a good routine, sleep, feedings, etc. If the child cries for no reason except that he does not want to lie still, he learns self-control by finding that making a noise does not alter conditions. When he is old enough to want to grasp everything within his reach, teach him to fold down his little fingers, except the forefinger, and touch the desired article. This allows him to feel the thing he wants, making him feel that he is doing something very exciting; this removes the danger of breakages and also prevents the bitter weeping when the coveted article is removed from reach. When your child has learnt this lesson he has taken a big step, controlling both his wishes and his muscles.

PLAN OF WORK.**HOW TO ORGANISE A "SCHOOL OF METHODS."**

From the personnel of the District or State Executive set up a small committee; appoint a superintendent and secretary. If a superintendent is not available, the District or State President will preside. Then draw up a programme, get good speakers for the various subjects.

A Simple Suggestive Programme.

- (1) Devotional exercises; singing; repetition of favourite passages of Scripture; sentence prayers.
- (2) Ten two-minute speeches without notes.
- (3) A study on public speaking.
- (4) A talk on "How Can a White Ribboner be an Asset to the Country or State?"

How secure new members?

- (5) Music. Choir, Choruses or Solo.
- (6) (Five-minute talk and discussion).

Why is scientific temperance instruction in schools a necessity?

- (7) Questionnaire, written questions should be called for early in the session and given to the appointed leader.
- (8) Study of Parliamentary procedure, motions and amendments.
- (9) Our World's W.C.T.U. literature, other helpful leaflets and World Report Bulletin and Handy Booklet.

Exhibit and Questionnaire.

- (10) A general discussion on "Why Mothers should belong to the W.C.T.U."
- (11) (Departmental work.) One or two departments to be discussed and plan of work drawn up.

Closing:—

If the school opens in the morning, the members bring a box lunch, cold or hot drinks provided. Try to hold a School of Methods twice a year.

For copies of this Plan of Work and for further advice, write to Mrs. Hugh Kasper, J.P., 169 Tamaki Drive, Kohimarama, Auckland, New Zealand.

—World Supt. of Department.

TELEGRAM.**The Methodist Church of Australia, New South Wales Conference.**

Hon. John Curtin,
Prime Minister, Canberra.

Methodist Church stands uncompromisingly for dry canteens. Emphatically protests against wet canteens militia camps. Unwarranted concession to liquor interests. Must mobilise not only material but also moral resources. Liquor impairs efficiency, thus assists enemy. Liquor industry not essential. Employees should be transferred to spheres where render effective war service.

We are at war.

LOCK,

Pres. N.S.W. Conference.

Sydney, 29/12/41.

WITH OUR JUDGES AND MAGISTRATES.

1942.

Sir Michael Myers, Chief Justice, addressing a jury in Supreme Court: "How long do you think the nation will last if it allows its people to kill off their children before birth? I must mention the importance of this case before you because we hear so many people saying: 'Oh, well, you haven't brought everybody before the Court, so why convict this one?' If this is to be allowed by juries it is not going to be a good thing for the nation. I make these observations only for the purpose of asking the jury to be careful and not allow itself to be influenced by the kind of clap-trap one hears outside."

Do Not Sin Against The Child!

Mr. Justice Callan gave a warning to divorced parents not to allow their quarrels to injure the minds of their children.

The custody of a boy of eight years was given to the father, the mother to have reasonable access to him and to have him with her for half his school holidays.

His Honour impressed upon the parents that neither of them should ever allow a word detrimental to the other to pass in the hearing of the child. If it was shown in later proceedings before the Court that that was happening, then, in the interests of the child, which must always be paramount, the matter would be revised.

Hotels Near Military Camps.

At a Licensing Committee meeting the presiding magistrate said men in camp were getting liquor after hours. Leave was purposely restricted until after 6 o'clock closing of bars. He warned licensees that any infringement of the law that came before him would be severely dealt with. He said: "We have a dangerous enemy at our door, and it is essential that our soldiers be 100 per cent. fit."

THEY DON'T BELIEVE IN OLD AGE.

Commodore Vanderbilt added 100 millions to his fortune after he was 70.

At 83 Lord Alfred Tennyson wrote "Crossing the Bar."

"The Battle of Lepanto" was painted by Titan at 98.

Verdi wrote four great operas after he was 73.

Galileo was still making scientific discoveries after 70.

Benjamin Franklin helped frame American Constitution at 80.

Judge Gary, at 80, was head of U.S.A. Steel Corporation.

Gladstone was Prime Minister of England when past 80.

Mrs. Anna Van Skike swam 20 miles in the Pacific on her 70th birthday.

Dr. Nikola Tesla, at 80, is still creating electrical inventions.

GLEANING IN MANY FIELDS.**Why, O Why?**

Says a retailer: "Not one of the whisky advertisements gives a reason why anyone should drink whisky."

That complaint is easily answered: **there is no reason!**

Catholics Differ.

"Without wine man is an ox," says Mr. Hilaire eBlloc.

"And with wine," says the "Catholic Herald," "man is often an ass."

He who thinks he can cheat a moral God in a moral universe is a moral imbecile.—Stanley Jones.

The youth whose brain is fogged by cigarettes is hopelessly handicapped. His services are accepted only as a last resort.—Henry Ford.

Chiang Kai-shek.

Ten-point card distributed to all the soldiers of his armies.

1. Thou shalt not covet riches.
2. Thou shalt not fear to die.
3. Thou shalt not advertise thyself for vain glory.
4. Thou shalt not be proud.
5. Thou shalt not be lazy.
6. Thou shalt not gamble.
7. Thou shalt not smoke.
8. Thou shalt not drink wine.
9. Thou shalt not borrow money.
10. Thou shalt not lie.

During his visit to Darwin the Minister for Labour ordered that hotels should close at 7 p.m., three hours earlier than usual. He said his decision had been supported by Service chiefs in Darwin, Trades Union leaders and licensees of Darwin's three hotels. The licensees had written to him telling him that they believed it was in the national interests that the hours of trading be reduced. The Minister said he was convinced on his own observation that there was too much drinking in Darwin. It was affecting important defence work. — "Sydney Morning Herald," 24/12/41.

Information to House of Commons.

In first three months of war 2,100 officers and men of Navy, Army and Air Force lost their lives by accident, disease or enemy action.

In same three months deaths on British roads numbered 2,975, or 875 more than were killed in fighting services.

"Press," June 7th.

One hundred and fifty men at a recent 12-day camp spent 250 in drink.

The result of medical inspection in the schools of New York has revealed the fact that 53 per cent. of the children of alcoholic parents are "dullards," as compared with 10 per cent. of the children of abstainers.—Dr. Alexander Bryce, the "Laws of Life and Health."

President's Letter



My Dear Friends,

As we read Matthew 18-14, "It is not the will of your Father which is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish." We are thankful for the opportunity of working for the protection of the children whom God loves and desires that they be kept safe unto eternal life. May God help us to keep on steadily in L.T.L. and Band of Hope work and in Sunday School temperance work, that we may do the will of our Father in protecting the children from one of the greatest sources of danger to them as they take the highway of life.

When we remember how much depends upon the attitude of the parents towards the alcohol question we must hold fast to our principles and never grow weary of our task. The more we influence the parents the better are the prospects for the children. Each department of the W.C.T.U. is important and dovetails into the other. A minister was climbing a precipice. When at a dangerous point he heard a voice which almost paralysed him; it was the voice of his own boy, who had caught sight of him and was following not far behind. The voice said: "Father, take the safe path, for I am following you."

The children are following their parents, they are also following us. Our actions and words are closely observed. May we follow closely in the Master's steps so that those following after will find a safe path, until they finally enter into the Kingdom of God. As one writer says: "The alcohol, our union is pledged to fight, has been convicted by science as a debaser of character a breaker-up of home life, a destroyer of honest workmanship, a killer on the roads; that which lowers the standard of life and education of large numbers of people, and lessens the opportunity of the fuller life to be found in sport, in mental culture and in spiritual ideals."

The day is coming when alcohol will be revealed to the public in its true light, that of the agent of the devil in

destroying men and women, body and soul. I believe that day is nearer than we think. In the meantime:

"Hold high the torch, we did not light its glow.

'Twas given us by other hands we know,

'Tis only ours to keep it burning bright,

Ours to pass on when we no more need light."

Yours in glad hope,
JESSIE HIETT.



MEMBERSHIP REPORT.

	New Members.
Linwood	2
Riccarton	2
St. Albans	1
Bryndwr Y's	3
Kaikorai	1
South Invercargill	1
	Hon. Member.
New Brighton	1

L. M. MITCHELL.

June 10th, 1942.



DOMINION PRESIDENT VISITS TIMARU.

A combined meeting of all branch unions in South Canterbury was held in the Centennial Hall. Delegates and members were present from Ashburton, Tinwald, Temuka and Waimate.

A paper on the aims and objects of the W.C.T.U. was given by Mrs. Duckett (Waimate).

Mrs. Hiatt (Dominion President) gave an address dealing mainly with the preparation for a new order. Mrs. Hiatt said that before a new order could be accomplished, there must be preparation of the heart and repentance. Proof of repentance was action. The drink traffic had assumed gigantic proportions and it was incomprehensible that mothers of men were not up against the evil. Members must redouble their efforts and a change of public opinion was necessary. The public did not yet realise that drink was a narcotic poison.

The W.C.T.U. stood firm for the enforcement of the liquor laws. The active worker must have facts. Alcohol could produce mechanical energy—it was proved that it reduced muscular and brain power. A moderate drinker would never believe that his work was impaired by drink, but scientists proved that this was so.

A vote of thanks to Mrs. Hiatt was carried by acclamation.

A programme of music was contributed by Mrs. A. Wheeler, Messrs. D. McInnis and J. W. Wood. Floral sprays were presented to Mrs. Hiatt and all branch presidents.

DISTRICT EXECUTIVES.

MARLBOROUGH.

May 22. Dist. President, Mrs. W. B. Wilson in chair. Opening devotions by President. Decided to send letter of appreciation to Blenheim Borough Council on their decision not to permit the screening of films on Good Friday, also that a letter be sent to the Ministers' Association expressing appreciation of the sacred service held in the theatre on Good Friday night. This service was largely attended by members from all the Churches. Decided that protest should immediately be forwarded to Parliament if any night trading were granted to hotels.

Discussion on the irregularity of the licensing laws. Decided to attend a meeting to be called by the local branch of the Women's Division of the Farmers' Union to deal with this question. Noontide hymn and prayers by individual members.

Afternoon devotions, Mrs. Girling. Remit from Springlands Union to be forwarded to headquarters: "That we press for information regarding the result of petitions presented to Parliament last October."

NELSON.

May 22nd. Mrs. Walker presided and led devotions; good attendance. Sympathy with Miss Cresswell in the loss of her brother. Circular letters sent to all clergy in the district asking for observance of a Temperance Sunday and in response a Church Parade was held on May 10th in All Saints' Church, when Archdeacon Kimberley gave an interesting talk on self-control. More parades to follow. Nelson Union reported good meetings. In March, Mrs. Atmore gave a splendid address on our motto for God and Home and Humanity, and presented long-service badges to 12 members, for 20 years and three for 30 years' service; one new member initiated.

May meeting. Rev. Jas. Hay gave an inspiring devotional talk; two new members.

AUCKLAND.

June 1. Monthly meeting of District Executive. Mrs. H. Kasper presided. Devotions led by Sister Jessie. Mrs. Long appointed delegate to the N.C.W. Mrs. Kasper reported on the supper supplied by W.C.T.U. for the Welcome Club; on the All Day of Prayer; and on the meeting of Liquor Control Council.



Sir George White, Ladysmith's renowned defender, expressed his opinion that for the soldier "to act with courage, nerve and endurance," and "to use his weapons with that precision modern warfare necessitates, the first and greatest requisite is temperance." He and other great military commanders invariably found the abstainers in the battalions physically stronger than the non-abstainers.

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AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Birkenhead.—June 4th. Mrs. Luker presided. Devotions, Miss Karner. Temperance Fact, Mrs. Wilson. Mrs. Douglas, Notable Day Supt., gave a short talk on the life of Mrs. Don. Address by Miss McKenzie.

Henderson.—May 20. Mrs. Chadwick presided. Interesting address by Mrs. Kasper. Two new members enrolled.

Kohi-St. Heliers.—May 25th, 1942. At Mrs. L. Eady's home. Mrs. Kasper presided; Miss McLay gave an address on "How God Does His Work." Rev. Farr thanked the speaker. Report of the "Liquor Control Council" was given. Sympathy was expressed for Mrs. Eady in the loss of her dear sister. Thanks to hostess. Benediction.

Mt. Eden.—March 17. Social afternoon. Songs, recitations and temperance facts given. Mrs. Kasper spoke of women's effort to control Liquor Trade. Miss McLay's subject was Home Guard, Examples of women in Bible Story, and how necessary to plant God's word in a child's heart.

Mt. Eden.—June 2. Devotions. Sympathy with Mrs. Turvey in loss of her husband. Miss Pudney spoke of a visit to Wellington and of samples of literature from headquarters. Decided to get Purity literature for mothers and enclose with birthday cards. Mrs. Brocklehurst spoke of a visit to Wairoa Union, Miss McLay read item of interest from Union Signal.

Onehunga.—May 14th. Annual Cradle Roll Party, good attendance; thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

May 27th. Home meeting at Mrs. Pearce's, well-arranged programme, devotional period, choruses, temperance information and competition. Address about the Solomon Islands by Mrs. Anderson, a returned Missionary, who described the Islands and their inhabitants, climate and general conditions of living, the animals and plant life, diseases, marriage customs, etc. Satisfaction was expressed that many books of the Bible are now translated into the native language. Sincere thanks to hostess and speaker.

Otahuhu.—May 21. 17 present. Decided to send 10/- to Dominion Fund. Mr. Falkner gave a very interesting and profitable address.

Ponsonby.—May 21: Miss Read presided. C.R. Party with good gathering of mothers and children, afternoon tea, gifts of lollies and paper hat to each child. Rev. A. E. Waite spoke on "Women and the Christian Church." Solos by Mrs. J. Roberts.

Takapuna.—Small attendance at April and May meetings but the faithful few carried on, the usual hymns, devotions and readings. The temperance fact given by Miss Read was: "Killing a cold with whisky often means killing a patient with pneumonia." The prevalence of influenza has affected our meetings. We hope it will now be over.

Warkworth.—April. Patriotic afternoon. Home meeting. Address, by Rev. Reilly. Elocutionary Items. Bring and Buy Stall. £2/4/3 handed in to Patriotic.

May.—Papier Mache Splints commenced for Red Cross. Devotions. Scientific Fact. 5/- donated to N.Z. Fund. Wreath placed on Cenotaph on Anzac Day. Prayer for Peace, 3 o'clock. W.R. Day next meeting.

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Hamilton.—June 4. Mrs. Gatman presided, good attendance, though weather wintry. Special intercessory prayers. White Ribbon Day special in recognition of 47th anniversary of first issue. Report from delegate to N.C.W. Heavy stockings for seamen spun from natural wool and knitted by a member, Mrs. Burgess; exhibited and admired before being dispatched to Sailors' Rests.

Taurarunui.—May 21. Mrs. Duder presided and led devotions. A short reading, "Let the Glory Out." Letter from Miss Henderson in reply to Press reports of Maoris obtaining liquor from Breweries. A most inspiring paper, "A Life Lived Abundantly," was read.

Tauranga.—Good attendance. Mrs. Christian in chair. Meeting opened with prayer and responses. Apologies were sent by Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Bryan. It was arranged we take the patriotic shop on the 19th. Arrangements were made for Mrs. Kasper's proposed visit on 14th. A report was given on the Band of

Hope meeting. Afternoon tea was dispensed and a bring-and-buy held. Meeting closed with the Benediction.

TARANAKI DISTRICT.

Hawera.—April and May. Fair attendance. Talks by Mrs. Thayer on "Helen Keller and Maude Royden." Miss Hill gave experiences on temperance work and war work in Wanganui and Palmerston. Mrs. Hurrell led devotions. Bring-and-buy, 18/3. Letters re sugar rationing and proposed alterations to licensing laws read.

WANGANUI DISTRICT.

Wanganui.—May. Peace Day meeting. Devotions, Mrs. Grunstead. "David as a Man of War." Reports on Poppy Day collecting and Cradle Roll afternoon. Thanks received for subs. to War Victims Relief, and to Home Guard effort. Congratulations to Foundation member on her 80th birthday and to another on her 90th birthday. 1 new member. Peace Day address by Mrs. Williams, on Evacuation from Port Moresby, her late home.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

Brooklyn.—May 25th. Mrs. Brewer presided. Devotions, Mrs. Raine. Votes of sympathy to relatives of late Messrs Israel and Denton. Tribute paid to the life and work of these two stalwarts of temperance. Report of district executive meeting. Temperance fact by Mrs. Dudley. Study and discussion on Convention Number of W.R. Sigil prayer. Afternoon tea provided by Baptist ladies.

Lower Hutt.—May 27th. Mrs. Swift presided and led devotions; small attendance (bad weather and sickness). Sympathy to Mrs. Spencer in an accident, and to Mrs. Barber in the loss of her husband. Mrs. Heyes read two articles on "Peace." The monthly thought was:

"Peace I leave with you, My peace give I unto you, not as the world giveth; give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

Report of recent rally. Benediction.

NELSON DISTRICT.

Nelson.—May 12th. Mrs. Toomer presided, good attendance. Temperance Fact, Prayer Sigil repeated, White Ribbons sold. Very successful Jumble Sale held. Arrangements to hold Young People's Social. Bring and Buy and Copper Trail. A very helpful address was given by Rev. Hay. Birthday posies presented. 2 new members.

Richmond.—April 21. Miss Tarrant presided. Pledge, Temperance Fact. Roll call responded to with favourite quotations. More interest has been taken in our meetings of late by visitors. Sigil.

May 19. President welcomed visitors. Mrs. Cropp read an original paper, one written many years ago on "True Womanhood," the kernel of the matter being that God never meant woman to be a slave but a true helpmeet to her husband. Miss Dyson supplemented this paper by another entitled "Help Cometh." Sigil prayer.

MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT.

Blenheim.—June 2nd. Mrs. Girling presided, 16 members. Inspiring devotional talk by Mrs. L. Lindsay. Monthly women's day of prayer on June 30th; £3 extra to be sent to H.Q.'s fund. Interesting extracts read from W.R. journal. Decided that £2 be sent to the W.R. with a letter of congratulation to editors, business manager, on the excellent standard of the paper. Collection, 11/7. Afternoon tea and Benediction.

Springlands.—May 19. At home of President, Mrs. V. Underhill, who presided over good attendance. Mrs. E. Leslie led devotions. White Ribbon Day meeting arranged, members to read from the White Ribbon. President referred to the Women's Mass meeting in Auckland. Mrs. P. Stephens gave splendid readings from various journals. Thanks to Mrs. Stephens.

Tua Marina.—May 19. At the home of the President. Devotions led by Mrs. Robinson. Prayers by members. 5/- donated to N.Z. Fund. Apologies from 6 members (sickness). Sympathy to Mrs. Burroughs, who has lost another brother. Mrs. McRae read an interesting article on how Madame Chiang Kai Shek became a Christian. Hymn, Benediction.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Christchurch.—May 13th. Miss C. Henderson presided. Sympathy to relatives of Mrs. Cooper. Thanks for sympathy from Mrs. J.

Richards and relatives of Mrs. Landery. Big parcel of used clothing sent to Maori Mission, scarves and balaclavas sent to Patriotic Fund. Copies of "Vanguard" and "Death Rattle of Nations" taken by members to distribute. Reports given of Knox Church Band of Hope diamond jubilee celebrations. Extracts of progressive temperance work in other countries.

May 27th. Miss C. Henderson presided. Mrs. Neutze gave a report of 16th North Brighton birthday social. Report of visit to mental hospital and of public meeting convened by our mayoress re sending Xmas parcels to soldiers. Decided to make our own effort to raise necessary funds.

Linwood.—May 26. Mrs. Mackie presided. Long Service badge presented to Mrs. Anstice. Mrs. Turner appointed Peace Supt. Reports on Home Meeting at Mrs. Wealleans', on W.R. and Band of Hope, by Supts. Band of Hope children entertained at home of President. Donation forwarded to N.Z. Fund. Sympathy with Mrs. Wright in loss of her son on Active Service.

New Brighton.—May. Good attendance, Mrs. R. Flower presided. Devotions, Temperance Fact. Invitations received from North Beach and Woolston Unions to birthday socials. Sympathy to Miss B. Harband. Arrangements made for our birthday social. Peace Day. Mrs. L. M. Mitchell read an address delivered by Mr. F. N. Christian. Band of Hope work discussed, also reports on mental hospital visiting.

North Brighton.—May 19. 16th Birthday celebrated. Devotions led by Mrs. J. H. McIlraith. Large representation of sister branches present. Mrs. Grigg, Vice-President of District, gave an interesting and instructive address on the Maori race. A fine musical programme by the following artists:—Vocal Solos, Mesdames Weatherhead and Filer; Reading by Mrs. Davies; Vocal Duet, Mesdames Weatherhead and Filer; Violin Solos, Rev. Alan Carr; Organ Solos, Mr. Grigg; Sacred Solo, with violin obligato, Mrs. D. Goldman and Rev. Alan Carr; Accompanists, Mrs. D. Goldman and Mr. Grigg. Meeting presided over by the President, Mrs. D. Goldman. Afternoon tea.

Oxford.—May 20. President in the chair. Resolution expressing sympathy with Mrs. Squire in the loss of her mother. Helpful address, based on the 72nd Psalm, given by Rev. G. Hall. Members took part in intercessory prayer for World Peace. Sacred solo, Mrs. H. Dalley. The President, on behalf of the W.C.T.U., presented the Secretary, Mrs. Allen, with a small gift in token of their good wishes for her future happiness.

Reefton.—May 12th. Mrs. Thompson presided. Members each read interesting pieces out of "White Ribbon" paper. Re Miss Andrews' visit, decided to fall in with arrangements made by Greymouth Union. For N.Z. Fund, 10/- thanks offering for convention. Mrs. Norwell closed with prayer.

Sefton.—Resume March, April and May meetings. Papers on the Life and Work of Francis Willard. Visitors at April meeting. Social afternoon, with music and competitions. Joint meeting with the Plunket Sub Branch, at which Miss Elsie Andrews, Dominion Organiser spoke. Rose pips collected by members and made into syrup and given to local Plunket Nurse.

Spreydon.—May. Mrs. Gemmell, V.P., in the chair. Devotions, Mrs. Dennis; Temperance Fact, Mrs. Murray; district report, by Mrs. Walker. Mrs. Sim reported new "W.R." subscribers. Mesdames Bilcliff and MacKenzie, hostesses. Benediction.

Sydenham.—June 4. Mrs. Puddle presided. Duet by Mesdames Weatherhead and Filer. Talk by Miss Elsie Andrews on the evils of consumption of alcohol, the drug which numbs the brain cells, causing lower efficiency in the militia and the nation, unhappiness in the home, and a great drain on the Government revenue due to accidents, crimes and mental disease. Miss Andrews was heartily applauded for her forceful and educational talk.

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Rakaia.—April. Mrs. S. Wilson presided. Pledge, Temperance Fact. Readings by President and Mrs. Hopwood.

May 14.—President presided. Devotions, Mrs. Spillitt. Sympathy with sick members. Bring and Buy and Pay Up Social next month. Peace address by Mrs. Spillitt.

OTAGO DISTRICT.

Balclutha.—May 14th. Good attendance of members and visitors. Mrs. Garden was our special and certainly infused new life into the union. Her talk was forceful and inspiring, and four new members were gained that afternoon. On Sunday night Mrs. Garden held a special after-church rally and convinced her listeners that alcohol has a hold that will need strong co-operation to suppress. The result of Mrs. Garden's effort for the week-end was nine new members, also members to start a "Y" going. Balclutha Union certainly has found inspiration.

Kaikorai.—May 27. Praise and Prayer, led by President. A paper read by the President, based on Facts from the "Vanguard." Several points were fully discussed. Sympathy with sick members. One new member.

Lawrence.—May 7th. Attendance good. Mrs. McNeilly presided. Miss Allen, a new member, welcomed. Fitting reference made to the passing on of Mrs. Edie, first president of Union, and later treasurer. Protest against altered hours for hotel trading. Miss Allen elected vice-president. Letters of appreciation to Mrs. Winton and Mrs. Holland who have left the district.

N.E. Valley.—May. Mrs. A. Peart presided. Captain Thomas, S.A., addressed meeting and showed from personal experience appalling wastage through liquor traffic. With deep regret accepted resignation of our president, Miss A. Gray, who, owing to ill-health, has been compelled to retire meanwhile from active service. We record our appreciation of her services during ten years in this office.

Oamaru.—May. Visit from Mrs. Garden, District Organiser. Several women's meetings were addressed and Leaders and members of Bible Class and S.S. teachers were interviewed and interested in the formation of Band of Hope. Mrs. Garden was present at our meeting and gave an encouraging resume of her activities, and stressed the need of Temperance education amongst young people. She was presented with a shoulder spray and warmly thanked for her visit. A resolution of protest against wet canteens in a no-licence area was carried unanimously. The W.C.T.U. took the Log Cabin for Patriotic Appeal and obtained the sum of £26.

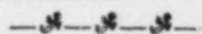
Owaka.—April 8. The President in the chair and took devotions. Discussion on the growing flood of guessing competitions and raffles conducted by the local Patriotic Society resulted in the Secretary being asked to present a letter deprecating these methods and suggesting others. Prayer and Benediction.

May 13.—Mrs. Wright presided. Devotional period, by President. Donated 9/- to New Zealand Fund. All took part in a season of prayer. Benediction.

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.

Invercargill Central.—June 3. Mrs. Ruthven presided, attendance fair; Mrs. Brown led devotions; Temperance Fact. Pledge repeated. Miss V. A. Jamieson gave a talk on "White Ribbon" paper and appealed for new subscribers. The speaker was accorded a vote of thanks on the motion of Mrs. Cameron.

South Invercargill.—May 12. Miss McCallum presided. Mrs. Richards led devotions, taking as study life of Daniel. "Maori Day," Rev. W. H. Howes, who had visited all the Maori Mission Stations in the North Island, gave a most interesting and informative address on the work of the missionaries, some having served for 25 years, as doctor, nurse, teacher, adviser, and spiritual leader. One new member. Collection of £1 taken for Maori work. Prayer and Benediction.



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Celery originated in Germany.
Peas from Egypt.

HASTEN HOME.

Hasten thee home, dear, when thy toil is ended,
Nor linger mid the city's busy hum;
Hither too slowly oft thy steps have wended,
When I have longed for thee, and bade thee come.
Oh! hasten home.

What, after sunset, can illumine our dwelling,
When thou art absent? Friends may bid thee stay;
But think of her whose faithful heart is swelling
With thoughts of thee; nor linger on thy way,
But hasten home.

Companion's blithe and joyful may be near thee,
The cup of gladness to thy lip be pressed;
But sure not mirth, nor smiles, nor wine can cheer thee
While beats in loneliness this anxious breast,
Then hasten home.

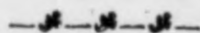
Shun thou the tempter's flagon; shun the chalice
Where foams the intoxicating draught.
Alas!
Its slaves are victims of infernal malice,
That robs them of their reason. Bid it pass,
And haste thee home.

Oh, I have dreamed of such a load of sorrow,
Bending my spirit, that my eyes were red
With weeping. Let me not awake to-morrow
To find that dream reality more dread;
But hasten home.

Doth music lure thee? Let thy children's voices
Be music in thine ears. Doth mirth enchain?
Then come to her whose happy heart rejoices
To see thee near, the cure of all its pain,
And hasten home.

Yes! you do love me! This fond heart were broken
To think it otherwise. Fond memory will
Cling with warm rapture to each tender token
Which you have given of love. Then prove it still
By hastening home.

By all the vows that in our youth we plighted,
By all the love in early life we bore,
Leave me not here to think that I am slighted,
But hasten homeward when thy toil is o'er!
Oh, hasten thee home!



Alcohol is not a stimulant, but a sedative, as was long ago pointed out by Sir Samuel Wilks.—Sir James Barr, M.D.

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BLUFF, 1st Thursday, in Willard Hall, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Nicol, 31 Foyle St.; Rec. Sec., Miss Mitchell, Ocean Beach; Cor. Sec., Mrs. N. Porter, Foyle St.; Treas., Mrs. Barber, 43 Foyle St.

NEW BRIGHTON, 1st Thursday, 2.15 p.m., in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. C. F. Scott; Sec., Mrs. F. M. Mitchell, 111 Lonsdale St.; Treas., Mrs. N. C. Fraser, 34 River Rd.; W.R., Mrs. Clarke, Nelson St.; C.R., Mrs. Lewis, Pine Ave.

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.

CHRISTCHURCH, W.C.T.U. Rooms, corner Chancery Lane and Cathedral Square, 2nd and 4th Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss C. Henderson, J.P., 15 Euston St., Sumner; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Adkins, 149 Salisbury St.; Rec. Sec., Miss M. M. Thomas, 25 Cambridge Tce.; Treas., Miss M. B. Lovell-Smith, 209 Papanui Rd.; Assist.-Treas., Miss E. Gordon, 888 Colombo St.; W.R., Mrs. Brown, Wychbury St., Spreydon.

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. Ryan; Rec. Sec. and W.R., Mrs. Melville, Victoria Rd.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. C. A. Kemsley, Bryce St.; Treas., Mrs. Wesley Hooker, 60 Queen St.

DARGAVILLE, 2nd Tuesday, Home Meetings. Pres., Mrs. Jolly; Sec., Mrs. Noble, Awakino Rd.; Treas., Miss Bramble, Victoria St.; W.R., Mrs. Noble; C.R., Mrs. Wordsworth.

DANNEVIRKE, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. E. Paviour Smith; Sec., Mrs. Harper, Main St.; Treas., Mrs. J. S. Holm, 27 Swinburne St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. McLean, Edinburgh St.

DEVONPORT, Congregational Church, 3rd Wednesday, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Williams, Queen St.; Sec., Mrs. Day, 27 Hinemoa Ave.; Treas., Mrs. Wanhill, 6 Hamana St.

DUNEDIN CENTRAL, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Baptist Sunday School, Hanover Street. Pres., Mrs. Hiett, 11 Duke St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Maxwell, 17 Ophelo 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.

DUNEDIN SOUTH, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m.; Wesley Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Williamson, Beach St., S.W.1; Sec., Mrs. Rippin, 47 Marion St., S.W.1; Treas., Miss Ford, 29 Burke St.; W.R., Mrs. Walker, Marion St.

ELTHAM, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. J. Williams; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Stanners; Sec., Mrs. T. Cox, Castle Street; Treas., Mrs. H. J. Libeau; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Streeter, London Street.

EDEN, meets 3rd Wednesday, Dominion Road Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. G. Clark, 129 Balmoral Road, Mt. Eden; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Fenton, Auld, and Higgott; Sec., Mrs. J. C. Chappell, 73 Grange Road, Mt. Eden; Treas., Mrs. Evans, 56 King Edward Street, Mt. Eden; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Higgott, Tramere Road, Sandringham.

FEILDING, 1st Wednesday, St. Paul's Hall, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Spence, Grey Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Pack, Stewart and Wright; Treas., Mrs. Kenovan, Grey Street; Sec., Mrs. Kendall, Rata Street; Devotional, Mrs. Wright; C.R. Mesdames Whisker and Hesketh; W.R. Agent, Miss Watt, 17 Grey Street; Temperance Fact, Mrs. Jones; Pianist, Mrs. Dewe.

GORE, 4th Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., St. Andrew's Hall. Pres., Mrs. N. D. Reid, Thomas Street; Sec., Mrs. S. Sim, Broughton Street; Treas., Mrs. D. Macaskill, Halton Street; C.R., Mesdames E. C. Smith and A. Brock; W. R. Agent, Mrs. T. Stevenson, Canning Street.

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.

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.

GONVILLE, meets 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. T. R. Clancy, 10 Koromiko Rd.; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Hussey, 5 Watkin St., Wanganui; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Parker, 35 Koromiko Rd.

HAMILTON, 1st Thursday, in St. Paul's Parlour, London Street. Pres., Mrs. Catman, Firth St.; Sec., Mrs. Stephenson, 12 Peachgrove Rd.; Treas., Mrs. E. J. Davey, 53 London St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Miller and Robertson; W.K., Mrs. Bradley, Bell St.; C.R., Mrs. Tucker, River Rd.; Literature, Miss Parry.

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

HAWERA, meets Tuesday, at 2.45 p.m., in Methodist B.C. Room. Pres. and Legal and Parliamentary Supt., Mrs. O. Hartmann; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. R. W. Barron, 96 Collins Street; C.R., Miss Hill; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Barker, Fantham Street; Notable Days, Mrs. G. Tozer; Afternoon Tea, Mrs. Collins.

HASTINGS, 4th Thursday, Methodist Y.W. Room, 2.30 p.m.; Pres., Mrs. Chapman Taylor; Vice-Pres., Mrs. T. J. Thompson; Sec., Mrs. Hickmott, 601 Princes Street; Treas., Mrs. Murtagh, 401 Fitzroy Ave.; W.R., Mrs. Pitt, 404 Albert St.; C.R., Miss Cook, Beech Rd.; L.T.L., Mrs. Buckingham, 508 St. Aubyn St. **HAVELOCK NORTH**, meets 4th Tuesday, Pres., Miss Elliott, St. George's Rd., Hastings; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Waugh, The Manse; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Webb, c/o P.O., Hastings; C.R. and W.R., Miss Hill, Rutherglen.

INVERCARGILL CENTRAL, meets 1st Wednesday in St. Paul's S.S. Hall at 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs. J. Ruthven, 79 Robertson St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Hopgood, 129 Don Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs. J. Watson, 14 Mitchell Street; Treas., Mrs. J. H. Boyd, 143 McMaster Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs. J. D. Cameron, 33 McMaster Street.

INVERCARGILL NORTH, 3rd Tuesday, Presbyterian B.C. Room. Pres., Miss V. A. Jamieson; Sec., Miss H. S. Jamieson, 57 Layard St.; Treas., Mrs. Henderson, 143 Lewis St.; W.R., Mrs. Jelcoate, 289 Elles Rd.; C.R., Mrs. R. H. Potts.

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, 181 Conon Street; W.R. Agent, Miss L. Aitkin; Evang., Mesdames Richards and Holmes; C.R., Mrs. Crozier; Notable Days, Miss J. McCallum; Musical, Mrs. Lea.

JOHNSONVILLE, 3rd Tuesday. Sec., Mrs. McBride, Main Road; Treas., Mrs. H. Johnson, Petherick Crescent; W.R. Agent, Mrs. McRae; C.R., Mrs. Markle.

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 Tues., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Johnson, 2 Shirley St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Wood; c., Mrs. R. Watchman, 78 Campbell St.; Treas., Mrs. Grigg; C.R., Mrs. Coombe; W.R., Mrs. Horne.

LEVIN, 2nd Friday, S.A. Hall. Pres., Mrs. Kennerley, Cambridge St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. C. Andricksen, Oxford St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Storey; Treas., Miss E. G. Kelly, "Craig-mohr"; W.R., Mrs. McKain; C.R., Mrs. Hudson.

LINWOOD, meets last Tuesday, in Baptist Hall. Pres., Mrs. C. R. N. Mackie, 194 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. Church of Christ. 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. Teasdill, Kauri Street.

MT. ALBERT, 2nd Tuesday, 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., Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Pres., Miss Pudney, 26 Wallace St., Herne Bay; Sec., Mrs. Keene, 37 Mt. Le Grande Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Turvey; W.R., Mrs. Carter; C.R., Miss Tattersall.

MASTERTON, 1st Thursday, Methodist Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres. and W.R., Miss Tankersley, Johnston St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. H. Speight, 7 Johnston St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. C. Sim, 8 Bruce St.; Treas., Mrs. Coddington, Chapel St.

MAYFIELD. Pres., Mrs. Edmond, Anana R.D.; Sec., Mrs. James Murdoch, Mayfield R.D.; Treas., Miss Alex Murdoch, Mayfield R.D.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. D. H. Elms, Mayfield; Cradle Roll, Misses Corbett and Frost.

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

MOSGIEL, meets 3rd Tuesday in every month, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Bedford, East Taieri; 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. P. Lewis, 5 Hooker Ave.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Donnelly, Manyard; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Atherfold, 10 Spencer Rd.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Ewen, 8A Paradise Rd.; Treas., Miss Ennor, 62 George's Drive; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Gwynne, 24 Juli St.; C.R., Mrs. Donnelly, Lawrence Rd.

NELSON, 2nd Tuesday, Burrough House, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Toomer, 173 Wainui St.; Sec., Mrs. Sixtus, Tasman St.; Treas., Mrs. W. Andrews, 100 Brook St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Lummis, 12A Scotland St.; W.R. Reporter, Miss Petherick, Tahuna; Librarian, Mrs. Snodgrass; C.R. Supt., Mrs. F. H. Cooke, Richmond Ave.; L.T.L. Supt., Mrs. Moyes, Grove St.

NEW PLYMOUTH, last Wednesday, 2.45 p.m. Pres. and W.R. Agent, Miss G. A. Drew, J.P., 29 Gilbert St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Wood, 2 Cuthfield 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. Deane, Hamlyn St.

NORTH-EAST VALLEY, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Young Men's Institute. Pres., Miss Gray, 16 Chambers Street, Dunedin, N.E.I.; 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, at 2.30 p.m., 2nd Monday. Pres., Miss Cowan; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Parker and Bridgman, Misses Smyth and Tosh; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Martyn, 228 Thames St.; Cor. Sec., Miss M. A. Scott, 7 Cross St.; Treas., Mrs. Snell, 14 Nen St.; W.R., Mrs. Clarke, 62 Tyne St.; C.R., Mrs. Poole, 14 Nen St.

ONEHUNGA, 2nd Thursday, 2 p.m., Methodist Hall, Grey St. Pres., Mrs. F. W. Mountjoy; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Perrett; Cor. Sec., Miss Hobden, 21 Caldwell St., S.E.5; Treas., Mrs. Fordyce; W.R. and Home Meetings, Mrs. Ashby; C.R., Miss Caughley; Philanthropic, Mesdames Pace and Moore; Birthday League, Mrs. Barnett; Tea Convener, Mrs. Breese; Evangelistic and Press, Mrs. Mushet; Maori "Y" Supt., Mrs. Mountjoy; Assistant, Mrs. Moore.

OTOROHANGA, last Friday, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. G. F. Webster, Otewa Rd.; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Hodson, Mrs. Higgins; Sec., Mrs. J. C. Clark, Te Kuiti Rd.; Treas., Mrs. W. J. Black, Te Kuiti Rd.; W.R., Mrs. C. Hood, Pirongia Rd.

OXFORD, 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Coronation Hall. Pres., Mrs. Comyns; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Hawke, Ryde, Tritt and Roi; Sec., Miss N. Waterman; Treas., Mrs. G. Jones; W.R., Mrs. D. Hawke; Evan. and C.R., Mrs. Squeer; B. of Hope, Miss W. Comyns; Notable Days, Mrs. L. Jones; Flower Mission, Mrs. E. Magrath; Back-blocks, Mrs. G. Ryde; Pianist, Mrs. Fenwick; Home Meetings, Mrs. Johnson; Press, Miss Caverhill.

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

OWAKA, meets 2nd Wednesday, in Presbyterian and Baptist Churches, alternately. Pres., Mrs. W. E. Wright; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Pritchard; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. D. McNutt.

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. Pringle, Princess Street.

PALMERSTON NORTH, 1st Tuesday, Baptist Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss C. Jamieson, 70 Albert Street; Cor. Sec., Miss Sutherland, 69 Marne Street; Rec. Sec., Miss L. C. Thompson; Treas., Mrs. Scott, 69 Marne Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Stuart; Hospital Visitors, Mrs. White, and Mrs. Purvis; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Carter.

PETONE, 1st Tuesday, 2 p.m., Church of Christ, Sydney Street. Pres., Mrs. J. Y. Davis, 42 Victoria Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Jensen; C.R., Mrs. Taylor; Social, Mrs. Woodbury.

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; 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, 3rd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., St. John's Methodist Church. Pres., Miss Read; Vice-Pres., Sister Jessie and Mrs. Oids; Life Vice-Pres., Mrs. Lee-Cowie, 1717 Kewato St., Honolulu; Sec. and Treas. and W.R., Mrs. J. Joiner, 92 Lincoln St.; L.W.F., Mrs. W. Miller; Evangelistic and Bible-in-Schools, Miss Read; Notable Days, Mrs. Christopher; Home Meetings, Mrs. Hogi; Flowers and Philanthropic, Mrs. Blogg.

REEFTON, 2nd Tuesday, 3 p.m., Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs. Thompson; Vice-Pres. and W.R., Mrs. Absalom; Sec., Mrs. Gilmour, Shiel St.; Treas., Mrs. Halloran, Buller Rd.; C.R., Mrs. Sara.

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. Goady; C.R., Mrs. McLean.

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 C. Griffiths.

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. Puddle; Sec., Mrs. W. E. Drewett, 63 Roker St., S.I.; Treas., Mrs. J. E. Brown, 54 Devon St.; 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, Edgcombe Road, W.R. Agent, Mrs. W. Foxcroft, Cameron Road.

TAKAPUNA, meets 2nd Thursday, in Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. Winstone; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Morgan Richards; Sec., Mrs. Mowday, Rangitoto Terrace; Treas., Mrs. Blake; W.R. Agent, 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. Grotcott; 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 Road; Sec., Miss M. Smith, Sperry Home; Treas., Mrs. W. Mitchell, Mackay Street; C.R., Mrs. Riley.

TIMARU, last Tuesday, 2.15 p.m., Sailors' Rest. Pres., Miss Fyfe; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Nelson, Harper Street; C.R., Mrs. Heywood; W.R., Mrs. Howe, Oupua 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. Hill-Taylor; W.R., Miss Taylor; L.W.R., Mrs. J. Widdup.

TINWALD, 4th Thursday, Methodist Church, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. L. McIlroy, 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.

WAIKAWA, 4th Wednesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Ford; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Carson, Victoria Street; Notable Days, Miss Bibby; 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., Miss P. Tooley, 9 Grace St.; Treas., Mrs. Simpson, "Rylands," Waimate; W.R., Mrs. Tooley, 9 Grace St.; C.R., Mesdames Dow and Allrey.

WAIKAWA, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. R. Young; Vice-Pres., Mrs. J. Wilson; Treas., Miss McNaughton; Sec., Mrs. Parr, Gladfield Wright's Bush Rd.; C.R., Mrs. J. Carter; W.R., Mrs. J. McNaughton.

WAIKURAU, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. G. Smales; Vice-Pres., Miss Burdett; Sec. and C.R. Supt., Mrs. M. Fraser, 24 Gaisford Terrace; Treas. and W.R. Agent, Mrs. Dixon.

WAIROA, H.B., St. Andrew's Hall, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Alexander; Vice-Pres., Mrs. McDonald; W.R., Mrs. Edlington; C.R., Mrs. McDonald.

WANGANUI CENTRAL, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Trinity Church Parlour. Pres., Mrs. Duxfield, Okoia; Vice-Pres., Mesdames R. Wilson and Goodey; Treas., Mrs. Shelley, 18 Glasgow St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Ogg; W.R., Miss Wadsworth, 51 Keith St.

WANGANUI EAST, 2nd Thursday, St. Albans Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Day; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Bloor, Mahoney St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Jones; Treas., Mrs. Shute; W.R., Mrs. Corrybeer, 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., Kaipara Flats; Treas., Miss J. Martin, W.R., Mrs. Rowe.

WELLINGTON, meets 1st Thursday, in Constable Street Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Bade, 44 Farnham St., S.W.I.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Bishop, 54 Ross Street, Kilbirnie; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Keeper, 508 Adelaide Road; Treas., Mrs. Gardiner, 20 Fernhill Terrace, Wadestown.

WELLINGTON CENTRAL, 3rd Wednesday, 2 p.m., "Evening Post" Bldg. Pres., Mrs. Israel; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Hayman; Rec. Sec., Miss Thompson; Treas., Mrs. Helyer, 338a Oriental Bay, E.I.; C.R., Mrs. Weldon, Totara Rd., Miramar.

WHANGAREI, 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. Lane; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. W. N. Hills, 12 Norfolk Street; 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. J. D. Campbell; Sec., Mrs. T. A. Thompson, No. 2 Section, Otahuti R.D., Invercargill; Treas., Mrs. H. McIntosh, Clyde St.; W.R., Mrs. R. Young, Holme St.