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THE RISING TIDE
against
ALCOHOL

W. A. SCHARFFENBERG
("Alert")

There is a RISING TIDE of public sentiment against everything connected with the Liquor Traffic. One indication of this can be seen in the number of Bills being introduced in the Legislative Assemblies of the United States. Between 1954-55, approximately 1,654 Bills were introduced, calling for restrictions, controls, and bans on the sale, serving, and consumption of alcoholic beverages. The DRY forces of the country are taking the initiative and putting the liquor interests on the defensive.

From *Tulsa, Oklahoma*, comes word that radio station KOME has left the Mutual Broadcasting System, rather than advertise BEER. The network insisted on the station carrying beer advertising.

There is also a steady increase in the number of newspapers and magazines that refuse to accept liquor advertising. The liquor interests are keenly aware of this fact.

The *Kefauver Crime Commission* in its nation-wide investigation put a stigma on almost everything that was connected with the manufacture, distribution, sale, and consumption of alcoholic beverages. The Commission made it evident that the CRIMINAL ELEMENTS were tied in with the LIQUOR INTERESTS.

All through the MIDDLE EAST and SOUTHERN ASIAN countries, alcoholic beverages are looked upon as a curse and a necessary evil, when dealing with Westerners. No good Hindu, no outstanding Moslem, will drink.

Iran has declared nation-wide prohibition.

The King of Saudi Arabia has banned alcoholic beverages from his land.

In India, no man may run for public office, if it is known that he is a drinker. The constitution of India calls for a gradual introduction of prohibition. India, with its deep religious convictions, its cultural and philosophical backgrounds, its idealistic outlook, may yet set the pace, and lead the world in so far as the banning of alcoholic liquors is concerned.

This year, *New Zealand* will be having a Dominion-wide referendum on the Liquor Question. All who have a vital interest in the welfare of this country, will have the opportunity of declaring themselves with this RISING TIDE against beverage alcohol, by registering their vote to outlaw an evil that continues more and more to increase accidents, suffering, death, and crime.

THE YOUNG ABSTAINERS' LEAGUE ITS COMMENCEMENT AND HOW YOU CAN HELP

To all who desire to see progress within the Temperance Cause, particularly among the young folk of our country, the formation of Young Abstainers' League in New Zealand should present an immediate challenge. How can W.C.T.U. members assist? By understanding how the League works, and in order to do this, a letter from one of the organisers in Palmerston North is here quoted, together with the leaflet setting forth further details of the organisation. **Mr. A. MacClure**, of the Post Office Staff of Nelson, but until recently living in Palmerston North, writes:

"The Young Abstainers' League was originally introduced in an effort to replace the work previously undertaken by Bands of Hope. It has advantage over Band of Hope work, in that it can be incorporated into existing organisations in a Church or Sunday School, without affecting them, for it means no extra meetings, etc. It is 'an organisation within an organisation' and so can reach a greater number of young people. The Temperance education and teaching are achieved through the quarterly leaflet, 'The Young Abstainer', and through films and the distribution of other temperance literature at the half-yearly rallies.

"The first League was formed in Palmerston North in July of last year, and so far 13 Leagues are now in operation and more than 400 pledges distributed. Any interested person or organisation can undertake the responsibility of organising Leagues in their town or district. Supplies of pledge cards and badges are obtainable from **Mr. W. Lyon, 490 Church Street, Palmerston North**. Several W.C.T.U. branches have already written for information, and the Palmerston North members have been a great help at our first Rally last February."

What Is The Y.A.L.?

It is a League of young people, who have signed the Total Abstinence Pledge for the sake of their own spiritual and physical well-being—and for the sake of helping others, who may not be as strong as they are.

Its Aim

To promote Total Abstinence from alcoholic liquor as a way of life.

The Pledge

"In order that I may attain to the highest good in life, and that I may be at my best for the service of God and my fellow men, I promise, by God's Grace, to abstain from all alcoholic drinks. I further promise that I will do all that within me lies to advance the cause of Total Abstinence."

Who May Join?

Anyone over the age of eight years, who, understanding the implications and responsibility of such an undertaking, is prepared to sign this pledge.

The parents' consent is required for those signing who are aged 12 or under.

The membership fee is 1/- per year.

Distinctive badges are available at a cost of 6d.

The Quarterly Leaflet is free to all members of the Y.A. League.

How To Form A League

1. Write to the Secretary, **Mr. W. Lyon, 490 Church Street, Palmerston North**, for supply of Pledge Cards, Badges, and Leaflets.

2. Appoint a Leader or Secretary to be responsible for the League's successful operation.

3. Make the organisation of the League as widely known as possible.

MISS C. E. KIRK, J.P. A Temperance Stalwart Passes



Miss C. E. Kirk of Wadestown, Wellington, passed from this life to the Glory Land on Sunday, 19th May. We thank God for her life of valiant service, for she was truly a woman of God, and we rejoice that suffering is over, and that she has entered into the joy of the Lord, whom she loved.

She followed her Master, in devoting her long life to the service of God, and of her fellow beings. How keen she was to save men and women, boys and girls from the ravages of beverage alcohol! She believed in the fence at the top of the precipice instead of waiting until the victims were battered and torn at the foot, whence they had fallen, although she spent years in patching up broken bodies, caused by strong drink. Where there was need, Miss Kirk was ready to extend a helping hand. For youth she was greatly concerned that their feet should be placed on the upward path, and by her kindness and interest, she helped many back to a virtuous life.

Miss Kirk had a keen intellect, a quiet humour, and a strong personality, which made her a born leader. For many years, she was President of the Wellington W.C.T.U., Dominion President for two years, President of the National Council of Women for a season, Secretary of the Society for the Protection of Women and Children for some years, and a keen supporter of the New Zealand Alliance, being a member of the Dominion Executive at the time of her death. During my term of office in the Dominion W.C.T.U. work, Miss Kirk was my faithful counsellor and never did she fail me. For eleven years, we worked together harmoniously.

New Zealand, and the Temperance Cause in particular, are the poorer for her passing. We thank God at every remembrance of her, and deeply sympathise with her devoted nieces, Miss J. Atkinson and Mrs. Hall of Eastbourne.

JESSIE HIETT (Dunedin).

Could it not be possible to form a League, wherever a W.C.T.U. exists? This is the challenge that faces us, as we realise the grave temptations of the liquor traffic to the youth of our land.

The Devotional Period

THE POWER OF INFLUENCE

(Devotions by **Mrs. E. A. Linyard (Hastings)**, taken at Dominion Convention, Nelson.)

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 6:10-18. **W.R. Hymnal No. 25.**

The power of influence is a responsibility no one can escape. Always, whether we realise it or not, our lives are affecting others. The frowns, the sneers, the harsh or careless words, and passionate outbursts continue winging their way through time, long after we have forgotten them. Likewise too, the little acts of kindness and courtesy, the love we show, the sympathy we express, the stand we take on moral issues, all send their ripples of influence on and on, ever wider and wider as the days go by.

So it is that whether we will it or not, we are always leading others in some direction, and through them, still others. Once the influence has started, we cannot control its spread. Hence, then, if our lives are true and good, this influence is a blessing to others and will continue on through them. One of the traits that makes for a lasting outflow from our lives, is faithfulness in all duties, and above all in the service of our beloved Master. In no other way can we meet the real responsibility of living. Every action or word of ours affects someone else to strengthen them or to be a stumbling block. Our words, our actions, our lives are the Bible the non-Christian world around us reads. Non-Christian though it be, there is a standard of living expected of us.

Once a very dear friend wrote in my autograph album these significant words:

"She never found fault with you,
Never implied your wrong by her right,
Yet boys at her side grew nobler, girls fairer,
None knelt at her feet, confessed lovers in thrall,
They knelt more to God, than they used,
That was all."

How lovely are those last two lines!

A person with such an influence must indeed have been filled with the spirit of the Master, who was never hustled or irritated by the stress of life, and whose every act was prompted by love towards His fellows.

We all need to meditate and pray the words of the hymn we have just sung:

"Drop Thy still dews of quietness,
Till all our strivings cease,
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our **ordered** lives confess
The **beauty** of Thy peace."

Then, as it was with the disciples of our Lord, so it may be with us. "People took knowledge of them that they had been with Jesus." When what we say is supported by the evidence of what we are, our influence for good becomes limitless, as is expressed in the writer's words:

"Not merely in the words you say,
Not only in your deeds confessed,
But in the most unconscious way
Is Christ expressed.

For me 'twas not the truth you taught,
To you so clear, to me so dim,
But when you came to me, you brought
A sense of Him.

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DOMINION PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Members,

How much one can learn by just listening! Some speakers are diffident, some belligerent, others quietly effective. How quickly detected is the espousal of a wrong course of action: the motive behind the "wrongness" is often pure unadulterated selfishness. Lately, my advice has been sought in connection with "unguarded" tongues. St. James says "the tongue no man can tame", but isn't it glorious to know that Christ CAN? In both cases, the offenders were non-Christians; not that Christians are always exemplary, but there is to them an awareness of the pure character of the Master they profess to serve, bringing to an offender a sense of SIN. It is good to be a "sensitive" Christian.

These are such momentous days and because this is so there is a heavier responsibility resting upon us. When you read this we shall be preparing for Dominion Officers' Meetings: a District Presidents' meeting, which will be held in Wellington and is quite a new venture; also, we shall attend, many of us, the N.Z. Alliance two-day Conference. The days will be busy ones and wisdom and direction will be needed, especially with regard to the coming Poll. Please pray for your Dominion Officers, District Presidents and Alliance members.

White Ribbon Campaign: I have wondered much about this Campaign Fund. You will remember the scheme for 1,000 members to subscribe £1 each, launched at Dominion Convention. Have you sent your donation yet to help in this very worthy effort to put, once and for all, our Ribbon onto a safer financial footing? There is no need for me to tell you how important our temperance magazine is, its entrance into hearts, homes, institutions, has brought light and comfort to many. It is indeed one of God's messengers and we must ever be mindful of that. If you haven't already sent your contribution, please do so: send to our Business Manager whose address is in this issue. May God bless you, dear Giver.

World Conditions: Are you anxious over world affairs? There are many who are. This is a time when we can remind ourselves that God never allows man to defeat HIS purposes and in Him we can safely rest. A woman who is quite a stranger to me, sought to know if our W.C.T.U. could do anything about the nuclear tests, telling me that both she and her husband were afraid of what might happen. In the course of this conversation, she remarked that her husband, who was a soldier in the last war, was so tense that he was "taking it out" on her and the children. I was happy to say that we, as a World Organisation, had made representation through the United Nations, for a cessation of such tests by ALL nations. Therein lies the crux of the matter. There is a desperate need today for man to get back to the correct attitude of mind towards his brother man...and that is God's commandment to "love thy neighbour". In the meantime we must, by prayer and supplication, and work, seek to bring Christ's gift of peace into anxious and distressed minds. Indeed, it is that for which we stand. We seek ever to destroy the Liquor Trade, the harmful Gambling craze, exploitation in any way of men, women, and little children. The exploitation of the human family, be it by nations,

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Please read this at Union Meetings

Cabinet Ministers have replied to resolutions as follows:

1. **Re Postage Rates.** The Hon. Mr. Shand, **Postmaster General**, writes that the Government would like to give preferential treatment to some organisations, but is unable to do so. Postage rates on second class matter were increased to 2d., as the 1d. increase was no more than sufficient to cover additional transport and delivery expenses over recent years.

2. **Re cartons and beer containers.** The Hon. Mr. Halstead, **Minister of Industries and Commerce**, replied that, as beer is bottled under pressure, it requires special containers, such as glass bottles. No legislation compels manufacturers to pack food and drink in any special container. Local body by-laws forbid depositing of broken bottles and litter in public places. He suggests that publicity given to this offence, and to any prosecution, should be effective in providing a strong deterrent.

(Note: The Minister is not clear as to what steps should be taken to give such publicity. Consequently his answer is not what we would regard as satisfactory.)

3. **Re Liquor on Aircraft.** The Hon. Mr. Shand, **Minister in Charge of Civil Aviation**, writes that he has asked the Air Secretary to request N.Z. Airways Corporation and TEAL to comment on this remit. Meantime, he points out that Regulation 49 of the Civil Aviation regulations gives pilots power to disembark passengers who misconduct themselves. Regulation 56 provides that, neither crew, members, or passengers should enter aircraft in a state of intoxication.

(Note: These two regulations answer the second half of our remit, but we await the Minister's further comment on the first half of this remit, which asks that the sale or supply of liquor be discontinued on aircraft.)

4. (a) **Re Sale of liquor to Minors.** The Hon. Mr. Marshall, **Minister of Justice**, considers that the present penalties are in proportion to those provided for similar breaches of the Licensing Laws. He thinks it undesirable to increase the

penalties, except as part of a general review of the Licensing Act. This will be undertaken at an opportune time.

(Note: We hope that the opportune time will be soon, as it is well overdue. The mischief arising from the sale of liquor to minors is very great, and many hotel-keepers appear to have little conscience on this matter.)

(b) **Re use of bars for drinking after hours.** The Minister states that the Government is giving this matter careful consideration and will take any appropriate and practicable steps to assist the Police in their task of reducing the incidence of this offence.

(Note: Responsible Police officers have stated that the present uncertainty of interpretation of the law makes it very difficult to arrest people who are wrongfully on licensed premises after hours. We hope that the Government will clarify the law on this matter.)

5. **Re Gambling.** The Hon. S. W. Smith, **Minister of Internal Affairs**, has replied that the Government will give earnest attention to our remits. As he is to make a more detailed reply, this will appear later in the "White Ribbon".

We were disturbed by reported statements by the **Rt. Hon. W. Nash, Leader of the Opposition**, on the matter of policy of his party concerning gambling, should his party become the Government after next election. As I felt he had possibly been incorrectly reported, I wrote to him, and an interview was kindly granted. He assured me that his party would not extend the hours of sale of liquor in hotel bars without a referendum. He said that he, personally, would do all he could to see that there was no increase in drinking and gambling, but would not commit himself over sales of liquor in restaurants and in grocery stores.

From the **Hon. Mr. Eyre, Minister of Police**: "The laws about the sale of liquor in N.Z. are complex, and not so easily enforced as at first sight may be supposed. I think it true to say that there is no single law in this country, which is so costly in time and man-power to enforce, as the liquor laws, nor is there any Police Force in any English-speaking country, which has to devote so much

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Candid Comments

By Citizen

Last year, the work of Mr. P. J. Campbell (Pita Karima), who was appointed the first warden in Wellington for the Maori people under the Maori Social, Economic, and Advancement Act, was reported upon in this Column. A total abstainer, and the Wellington leader of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Society of the Roman Catholic Church. We regret to say that he was killed recently in an accident, but we hope that other Maoris will take up his work for Temperance for both Maori and Pakeha.

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The administrator of Natal, Mr. Shepstone, has stated recently, that 90,000 alcoholics are costing South Africa between £30 million and £50 million a year. Speaking at the recent conference of the N.Z. Hospital Board's Association, a doctor estimated the number of alcoholics in N.Z. as between 10,000 and 15,000, and that 10 other people, family, employer, friends, were affected by each alcoholic. The Association called on the Health Department to form and implement a long term policy for the treatment of alcoholics. He suggested that a medical man be sent overseas to study treatment methods.

The N.Z. Associated Chambers of Commerce are pressing hard for restaurant drinking. Of course, extra facilities for sale will create more alcoholics. Consumption in N.Z. is steadily rising for beer and stout and is now at 22 gallons per head, compared with 24½ gallons in Australia and 18 gallons in Britain.

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Speaking to the 38th Annual meeting of the American College of Physicians, Dr. Robert Rark said recently that a cheap and ready supply of liquor was a **major** factor influencing the extent of alcoholism and ailments associated with it. The N.Z. Hospital Board's Association would do better to work for **prevention** rather than for cure. It should ask the Health Department to advertise the benefits of total abstinence and ask for the prohibition of the large liquor advertisements sponsored by the Brewers' Association, inviting people to drink beer on ALL occasions.

It is good to report that the N.Z. Associated Churches of Christ at their conference, made a strong plea against liquor in restaurants and evening hours of sale. NOW is the time for prayer and work against this agent of the Evil one. May all our Churches be right on the job.

ABSTINENCE LITERARY CAMPAIGN

To All Unions

The W.C.T.U. Dominion Literature Committee recommend a set of ten leaflets, which have been issued by the **Abstinence Literary Campaign Committee**. They are very suitable for supplying to young people. They may be obtained from **Mr. H. Grocott, Hon. Secretary, A.L.C., 31 Athens Street, Wellington, E.A., at a cost of £1.5.0 for each fifty sets of ten leaflets**. The aim is to place one of them each month, for ten months consecutively, **with the same individual**, and for this purpose, they have been numbered 1 to 10.

Purchase a trial set, and we feel sure you will be anxious to secure further sets.—Ed.

"Within the Veil"

Miss O. Cresswell—Motueka Union

Motueka Union has suffered the loss of one of its oldest members in the Home Call of Miss O. Cresswell, who entered into her rest on 26th April.

Miss Cresswell was a foundation member, and was the president from 1924 to 1948, representing our Union at several Conventions. All her life, she was a keen worker for the Temperance Cause, as well as an ardent worker in the Methodist Church for the God she served so faithfully. Although we mourn the loss of an enthusiastic member and a dear friend, we rejoice that she has entered her Heavenly Home, where she will hear her Saviour's "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Mrs. Ducan—Waimate Union

For the second time this year, Waimate Union has been called upon to part with yet another faithful and valued member. Mrs. Ducan always showed a great interest in our work, and was ever willing to undertake any task to help the Temperance Cause. Little did we think at our March meeting, that she was meeting us for the last time.

As Christ spoke words of commendation to another "Mary" for her kindly deed, so we feel that they will be spoken to Mary Ducan for her fortitude and sweet influence during the illness of her husband and her daughter.

Our loss is her gain. To her husband and family, we extend our sincere sympathy and prayers.

DONATIONS TO "WHITE RIBBON" FUNDS

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The following donations to "The White Ribbon" Funds are gratefully acknowledged:

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A. D. GRIGG, Business Manager.

30/4/57.

"Medically speaking, there is nothing good about beverage alcohol—in other words, from a scientific, medical point of view, there is no medical authority at the present time, who will maintain that there is any possible benefit to be derived from the use of beverage alcohol taken internally."

—Dr. Leonard C. Williams, Oklahoma City, a member of the American Society of Surgeons.

Alcohol's Effect

"There is no part of the human body that alcohol touches that is not harmed by it."

—J. D. G. Medley, Chancellor of Melbourne University.

“THE WHITE RIBBON” Editor's Annual Report Year Ending 31st December 1956

It gives me pleasure to present a brief report upon the 7th year of my work as Editor of our Official Organ, “The White Ribbon”.

From the Editorial viewpoint, the year has been uneventful, and as each year closes, there seems little that is new to be reported. The subject matter of the paper has followed the general pattern of endeavouring to provide useful material for our Unions, and convincing reading for all whom “The White Ribbon” reaches.

It had long been my desire to feature one or more regular columns, such as the one, “Candid Comments” by Citizen. We appreciate the work of “Citizen” for interesting and useful comments and information supplied. A “Question and Answer” column will appear when a writer can be found. I would like to hear of someone interested in undertaking this.

In August the Dominion Officers deemed it advisable to combine the October-November issues to ease the difficult financial situation, thus relieving the “W.R.” Funds to the extent of £75-£80.

We are again indebted to those who have contributed articles for publication each month and on your behalf I would express thanks and appreciation to our Dominion President, Mrs. Toomer, for her Monthly Message of encouragement and to Mrs. R. C. Green of Dargaville (now the Mayoress), for inspiring Devotions, and to Mrs. F. I. T. Grigg, Vice-President, for her regular “Legal and Parliamentary” reports for Union meetings.

We are also appreciative of contributions from others during the year particularly mentioning Herbert Hoare of Queensland and for helpful information and articles from Overseas “Exchanges”. I am pleased to know that many of these “Exchange” magazines make use of our “White Ribbon”, and we hope that they will continue to do so.

To our Union News reporters, and Convention reporters, I express my thanks for their regular and concise reports. May I again sincerely thank all those who have sent greetings and letters during the year. Your messages have been appreciated.

The Beacon: I have again enjoyed the preparation of our teenage paper, and have been very pleased to receive many encouraging letters from young readers. It is gratifying to find that so many of the B.C. age group find an interest in the “Beacon”. Writers particularly like the stories and the news of athletes and others who figure in World News, and Miss J. Campbell's Devotional Corner. We would thank Miss Campbell for this valuable spiritual column, so willingly contributed.

“W.R.” Supplement for Boys and Girls: This children's little paper is prepared for children ranging in age from those first able to read, to the end of primary school life. With so small a space available, it is most difficult to cater for this age range. The pictures for colouring are provided for use by any age, but naturally the colouring work should be in keeping with the child's class at school. Some very fine work was sent in from Northland District for their Annual Competition, and their prizes numbered 27 books and many cards. The Colouring Competition is designed to create interest, so that the whole Supplement will find an entrance into many homes.

Business Manager's Annual Report

In presenting a report of the year's working to 31st December 1956, I am pleased to state that there have been increases in the number of “White Ribbons” posted out, as well as in the number of Beacons and Boys and Girls' Supplements. The following is the distribution of the 115 new subscribers:

North Island:

Northland 20, Auckland 12, South Auckland 8, Wanganui 2, Manawatu 5, Hawke's Bay 1, Wellington 8, a total of 56.

South Island:

Marlborough 2, Nelson 9, North Canterbury 9, South Canterbury 7, Otago 29, Southland 3, a total of 59.

The Union with the largest number of subscribers is **Dunedin Central with 81, Riccarton comes next with 57, and Wellington Union 55. Dunedin Central** gained the most new subscribers, 19, while Whangarei followed with 12.

On a per centage basis with a Union membership of under 20, **Balclutha** gained the highest, 7 new subscribers, or 40 per cent.

The Beacon: Average monthly number sent out is 1,075, and Boys' and Girls' Supplements, approximately 7,150.

Thanks. Our thanks are due to Mr. M. H. Kelly who did the auditing and accounting, and to the staff of Messrs. Wright & Carman for their co-operation during the year. Also a very big thank you to all those **White Ribbon Agents**, for their faithful and excellent service, thus lightening the work of the Business Manager.

T. P. LANE.

THE “WHITE RIBBON” JUNE-JULY

As the addressograph for the wrappers required an overhaul, it was deemed advisable to combine the present issue with July, instead of July and August, so that this work could be undertaken without causing delay in sending out the paper. The next issue will be published at the beginning of August.—Ed.

Note: The cost of the Supplement is 3/- per 100, whereas the Beacon, a larger paper, costs 6/- per 100 copies.

Thanks and Appreciation: We extend our warm thanks to all who have shared in the “White Ribbon” work; to our Agents who attend to the distribution of the Youth papers.

To Mr. Carman and the staff of Messrs. Wright & Carman Ltd., Wellington, our publishers, I would again extend my sincere appreciation of their help and co-operation, and thank them for their work and their willingness to assist in every way necessary.

In conclusion, may I urge that we make “The White Ribbon” our personal responsibility. We need a greatly increased circulation; let us endeavour to increase it. Each part of it should contain a message for others as well as ourselves; let us pray urgently and regularly that its spiritual or temperance messages may be a blessing to all who read them. If we seek to do our part in this work for Him, then God will surely bless our labours.

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time to its liquor laws as does the N.Z. Police Force. Year by year, as the statistics show, more publicans and their employees are brought before the Courts, but yet more valid defences than ever are being raised. Your Union should understand that it is not because of lack of interest on the part of the Police Force that there are so many breaches of the law....

"The Police Force, within the limits of its personnel and demands upon it, to prevent crime in its manifold aspects, is doing all that can be reasonably expected of the Force to control the illegal sale of liquor."

(Note: Unions should note especially the words I have emphasised which show the waste of time and energy caused by the consumption of liquor.)

From the Hon. J. A. Hanan, Minister of Health, who states that his Department sees some merit in our remit asking for labelling wines with their alcoholic content, but also sees great difficulty in bringing it about. Trade practice tends to refer to the proportion of alcohol in terms of proof spirit, but a lot of wine is imported from countries where a variety of labelling requirements apply. It would be difficult to make these overseas' bottlers comply with N.Z. requirements as often the N.Z. market is small. Although there are no general requirements for the maximum and minimum content of alcohol in wines, the most common varieties are required to conform to generally accepted standards. Some particular requirements as to composition are set out in the Food and Drug Regulations of 1946.

From Assistant-Secretary, N.Z. Road Safety Council. "The name of the N.Z. Road Safety Council appears on the latest Brewers' Association advertisement owing to a misunderstanding, as it was understood that they would not use the name of the Road Safety Council after the slogan on their advertisement. Although there does not seem any likelihood, that, in its present form, the reference to the N.Z. Road Safety Council, would give rise to any impression that the Council sponsored the Brewers' Association advertisement, the Association will be discontinuing this reference.

"However, the Brewers' Association will continue to support the Road Safety Council's Campaign by quoting appropriate slogans from the Road Code. The new series of advertisements, in which the Road Code will be quoted will commence about the end of the month."

The Licensing Control Commission's report shows concern over the number of hotels which are interested only in sales of liquor and not in providing accommodation. Its levy-rebate suggestion deserves careful consideration by the Government. We certainly do not favour the alternative to the levy-rebate, namely, the removal of the limitation of publican's licenses and the suggestion of allowing dancing and entertainment on licensed premises. Unions should oppose these ideas with all their might. Chartered Clubs should not be exempt from taxation on their sales of liquor.

L. K. V. GRIGG,
Director, Legal and Parliamentary Dept.

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And from your eyes He beckons me,
And from your heart His love is shed,
Till I lose sight of you, and see
The Christ instead."

UNION NEWS

Whangarei. April meeting held at 11 a.m. to enable some Maungakarema members to attend, as their Union is in recess. Such occasional morning meetings to continue. Convention report was given by Mrs. Lane. Two new Maori members enrolled—Mesdames E. R. Pitman, Tamaterau, and A. Marsh, Kamo. Noonday devotions taken, then lunch and a further short meeting till 2 p.m. Sacred solo by Mrs. W. Robertson enjoyed, and inspiring duet by two Maori members.

Northland District Executive met at Dargaville on 3rd April. President, Mrs. S. S. Green reported Convention business, resolutions, and also gave reports of Dominion Superintendents as presented at Nelson. Sympathy expressed with Mrs. Lawrence, in her accident and subsequent period in hospital.

Wellsford, April. Mrs. Singleton in the chair, and Mrs. D. Browne led devotions. Mrs. D. G. Stubbs of the Parsonage elected Secretary with Mrs. C. W. Phillips to assist. Resolved not to hold Cradle Roll Party this year. Public Film evening to be organised. Special speakers to be arranged for meetings. Bring and Buy for funds as usual each month.

Auckland District Executive, March. Mrs. Richards presided and devotions taken by Mrs. Anstice. Invitation from League of Mothers inviting the President to attend their Annual Church Service at St. Mary's Cathedral. Mrs. Mountjoy reported on the work of the Maori Girls' Hostel. May Mothers' Day gathering discussed. 23 remits for Dominion Convention considered and approved. Miss H. Grigg nominated for position of Supt. Dominion Quiz Dept.

May 6th. Mrs. A. T. Richards presided and led the devotions. Reports of the N.C.W. and of the Maori Girls' Hostel reported on by Mrs. Mountjoy. The report of the N.Z. Alliance meeting given by Mrs. Kelsey. During the month two visiting members of the Brisbane W.C.T.U. were entertained by some of the District Officers. Period of prayer for the Hostel and for sick members closed the meeting.

Auckland Dist. Mothers' Day Gathering was held on 12th May in the Pitt Street Methodist Church Parlour. Mrs. Richards presided over a very representative gathering. The following artists presented the programme: Mesdames M. Sawden, G. Lloyd, E. Moore, D. Whyte, and two little girls, Sylvia and Glenniss Wood. Mrs. A. Turton and Mrs. A. A. Hambly, M.B.E., acted as accompanists. The guest speaker was Mrs. A. J. Hulme, who gave a very fine Mothers' Day address.

Remuera, March. Mrs. Robinson presided in absence of Mrs. Kelsey, who was attending Nelson Convention. The Temperance Fact was taken from the White Ribbon. Mr. West and family of Helensville returned thanks for letter of sympathy at the death of Mrs. West, a former member. Mrs. Yates of the Dist. Executive gave an interesting and helpful talk, and in thanking her, Mrs. Mackay presented flowers.

Otahuhu. April meeting was attended by Papatoetoe members at 11.30 a.m. Lunch followed a friendly chat, and then the meeting, when Mrs. Hughes presided in absence of Mrs. Jamieson through sickness. Mrs. Sherman and Miss Appleby welcomed and given sprays. On behalf of the members, Mrs. Mears presented Mrs. Hughes with a spray and small gift, as she and her husband were leaving to visit their married daughter in Kentucky, U.S.A. Mrs. Sherman and Miss Appleby both spoke on the World W.C.T.U. Convention they had attended, and were warmly thanked for most interesting talks.

Kohi - St. Heliers, 28th March, at the home of Mrs. Kasper, M.B.E. Mrs. Pearson led devotions. Temperance Fact was read. C.R. report given by Mrs. Chermiside, who is taking over Mrs. Phillips' duties till her health improves. Mrs. Kasper reported on the Dominion Convention in a most interesting address.

Takapuna, April. Mrs. Petchell presided in Mrs. Prussing's absence through illness. Devotions taken by Miss Cullen. Mrs. Petchell gave an interesting and comprehensive account of the Dominion Convention at Nelson. District President, Mrs. Richards was present and gave her impressions of the spiritual side of Convention. She counted it a privilege to be associated with such a band of Christian women. Mrs. Richards thanked and presented with a shoulder spray. Mrs. Petchell presented with 30 years' service badge by Mrs. Richards.

May meeting held at the home of the President, Mrs. E. Prussing. Devotions taken by Miss Cullen and Mrs. Parsons. As this is Polling year, special effort was being arranged for June, for forwarding to the Alliance.

Tauranga, February. Opening meeting for year was addressed by Miss Daphne Brown of the United Maori Mission, Auckland. An astonishing picture of Maori life in the city presented. Devotions led by Mrs. Christian.

March meeting with a very good attendance. Convention Report given by Miss Beswick, delegate to Nelson. Various plans for poll and youth work. Devotions taken by Mrs. Foxcroft, W.R. Agent. A special effort planned for W.R. Funds. Mrs. Williamson, Acting President, in the chair at both meetings.

Wanganui Central. The February meeting took the form of a social afternoon, in which Wanganui East joined. The President of Central Union had the pleasure of initiating two new members, Mr. and Mrs. Russ. In addition eight new names were added to the Cradle Roll, this again being the

work of Mrs. Motu of Ratana. The social hour passed most enjoyably, with items, competitions, and a trading table. The items were presented by Mesdames Crawford, Strachan, and R. Wilson.

Feilding, February. Devotions were taken by President, Mrs. I. Taylor. A reading from Rita Snowden's writings was enjoyed. Report of Executive meeting given, and remits for Convention discussed.

March meeting, the President led devotions with some thoughts from the Methodist Times. Discussion on tickets in small raffles held for worthy causes. A duet sung by Mrs. Gill and Major Arinell, and Mrs. Guy recited "The path the Calf made".

April meeting opened with the Noontide Hymn, "Beautiful Hour of Noontide". President took the devotions. Thoughts given from the White Ribbon. Most interesting Convention report by Mrs. Hart. A prayer period closed the meeting.

Napier, March. Mrs. Ryan presided as our president attending Convention. Mrs. Ford was welcomed on transfer from Feilding. Mrs. Virtue gave a most inspiring account of her visit to Oberammagau, where she witnessed the Passion Plays. A brief season of prayer. Next Prayer Meeting at Mrs. Martin's home.

April, Mrs. Bartle presided. All present were intensely interested and challenged by the splendid report presented to us by Mrs. Bartle, who had attended the Dominion Convention in Nelson. Five new members added to our Roll. Literature to be purchased for the Election Campaign. Band of Hope is being sustained. Temperance film strip shown by Mrs. Bartle. Prayer meeting at Mrs. Maynard's home.

Wellington District Executive, 28th February, at Headquarters. Masterton was the hostess Union. Miss V. Jackson presided and led devotions. Mrs. Melvin especially welcomed, as she had returned from a trip overseas, having attended the World Convention in Germany. A request from the Paraparaumu Methodist Ladies' Guild to speakers resulted in the following members being available. Mesdames J. H. Grigg, F. J. T. Grigg, Miss Jackson, Brigadier Marshall, and Major Fletcher. Miss Jackson was appointed delegate to Nelson. Remits were fully discussed. In the afternoon, Mrs. Melvin gave a very interesting talk on the World Convention.

North Canterbury District Executive, March. Mrs. M. Griffiths presided and devotions taken by Miss Gainsford. N.Z. Alliance report received. Remits for Dominion Convention discussed. Remits of the N.C.W. also discussed. A Garden Party for the W.C.T.U. being arranged in Christchurch.

Riccarton, March. Mrs. A. T. Newth presided and Miss L. Hughes took devotions. Band of Hope Competition papers taken. Dist. Executive and Mental Hospital visiting reports given. A most interesting talk was given by Mrs. Searle of Bolivian Mission Field, in which was stressed the evil power of alcohol drinking there. Those who brought gifts for Mental Hospital patients thanked.

May meeting with Mrs. Newth in the chair and Miss L. Hughes led devotions, the theme being, "Peace". £22 raised at a Garden Party. Invitations to attend Christchurch Union's Birthday Party and to hear Sister Rita Snowden accepted. £2,10.0 donations handed in for W.R. Funds. A roll of adhesive stickers ordered from N.Z. Alliance for use on envelopes. Mrs. Clarke of Bryndwr Union gave an inspiring spiritual talk on "Peace". Special prayer offered for the speedy restoration to health of our President, Mrs. Griffiths.

Spreydon, February. Mrs. H. L. Hecc presided in the absence on holiday of the president, and led the devotions on the theme "Thou remainest". Mrs. Ancel placed the Dominion Convention remits before members, and also reported on the Temperance Quiz held at Addington School. Enjoyable time spent at Christmas time at Mental Hospital with patients.

New Brighton, March. Mrs. Wrighton presided and the subject of Mrs. Edmond's devotions was, "Jesus, our Helper". Twelve patients had been visited at the Mental Hospital by Mrs. Edmonds and Mrs. Wrighton. Mrs. Teague, President of Linwood was welcomed, and we were pleased to have Mrs. Mitchell with us again. Readings entitled "Lent" and "Harvest Festival" were read by the President.

April meeting. Collection for District Funds. Mrs. Baker welcomed as new member on transfer from Nelson. A 20 year service badge presented to Mrs. Gamble. Splendid report of Nelson Convention given by Mrs. Hunt of Christchurch Union.

Christchurch Central, March. Several members absent, as they were attending the Methodist Guild at Leeston. Mrs. C. H. Lennon gave the Convention report from Nelson. Mesdames J. Gray, J. McGregor, and H. A. Hunt went to Convention representing Spreydon, Rangiora, and New Brighton respectively. As these delegates paid their own expenses, and Mrs. Ford and Miss M. M. Thomas went as observers, financing themselves, it speaks highly for the enthusiasm of the Christchurch Central members.

Linwood, February. Mrs. Teague presided over good attendance. Mrs. Thomas spoke of her early day experiences in Band of Hope and other Temperance work in England. Remits for Convention discussed.

March meeting with Mrs. Teague presiding and Mrs. McMillan taking devotions. Mrs. Lewis gave a splendid report of Convention. A very interesting talk of their duties was given by a police woman, particularly in relation to work among women and children.

Dunedin Central meeting conducted by Mrs. J. Hiett, President. The guest speaker was Mrs. Wilson, missionary from Japan, who found these people happy, light-hearted, and interesting, but their worst enemy was strong drink. The recent Children's party was voted a great success, with many thanks due to those who arranged programme and games.

March meeting with Mrs. Hiett in the chair. Delegates from Nelson Convention, Mesdames Todd and Clarke, spoke in glowing terms of the hospitality and Christian fellowship and enthusiasm shown throughout all proceedings. The Convention had been an inspiration to all and they were grateful to the Nelson Press for the large amount of space allotted to W.C.T.U. reports.

Balclutha, March. Mrs. Gill presided. Two papers on the liquor question given and discussed. Example was given of someone beginning to drink with small quantities, but eventually he became a confirmed drunkard. It was shown how only the power of Christ was able to convert the drinker back to the right ways again.

April meeting. Following devotions and business. Mrs. Flett, Otago District President, gave an excellent report of the Nelson Convention, and members were most interested.

May meeting, Mrs. Gill in the chair. Captain Brindson of the Salvation Army gave a stirring address on the social work of the Salvation Army, with special reference to their methods of fighting the liquor traffic. He spoke of the evils of 10 o'clock closing.

Christchurch Central, 70th Birthday Party was presided over by Mrs. I. Wilson. Visitors came from the North Canterbury District Executive and from many of the Unions and brought good wishes and congratulations. Mrs. H. A. Hunt presented floral sprays to Mesdames Wrighton, Stokes, Pashby, Reeves, McGregor, and Misses Elton, Love-Smith, and Kathleen Margels. We were entertained to a feast of music from the North Brighton Women's Own, comprising Mesdames Voller, Wrighton, and Windsor, and to an item of music by their pianist. There were sketches and also songs by Miss K. Margels, and recitations by Mrs. Pashby. A letter of thanks received from Miss G. Musgrove and we are also glad to hear that Mrs. Ford is home from hospital.

"ARE YOU READY?" 1957 Is Election Year

Have you polished up your armour for the coming battle-field?

For the foe is very busy with intrigue!

Are your pians compact and stable, and your swords all sharp to wield?

Are the Unions and the Churches all in league?

Are you looking to your Captain for His orders in the fight?

Are you strong for Him, and all that you should be?

Are you lined up to go forward in the Power of His might?

And the swift and subtle enemy pursue?

The breastplates must be shining lights of righteousness as well,

For with God, and Truth and Right, we'll win the final day;

But there's nought to be accomplished, and we cannot cast a spell

If we do not work and watch and always pray.

But when all is fit and ready, we must take the shield of Faith.

We will hoist it when the foe begins to fight,
And our hearts and souls must rally in the Cause until the death

Of the Liquor Trade, and put our foes to flight.

—Ethel L. Piper (Seaview Rd., Milford).

Press on! Surmount the rocky steeps,

Climb boldly o'er the torrent's arch;

He fails alone, who feebly creeps;

He wins who dares the hero's march.

Be thou a hero! Let thy might

Tramp on eternal snows its way,

And through the ebon walls of night

Hew down a passage unto day.

—Park Benjamin.

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or even Big Business, is a SIN against Almighty God, for whose glory MAN was made. Woe to that nation or man who so exploits. Let us rejoice in our threefold motto:

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wald; Cor. Sec., Mrs. L. Lion, 38 Cameron St., Ashburton; Treas., Mrs. T. Pethick, Wakanui Rd., Ashburton; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Pierce, 190 East St., Ashburton.
AUCKLAND, 2.15 p.m., 2nd Tuesday, Y.W.C.A., Upper Queen St. Pres., Mrs. J. Long, 9 Matai Rd., Cheltenham; Rec. Sec., Mrs. W. Doull; Treas., Mrs. F. E. Swan.
BALCLUTHA, 3rd Tuesday, 2.15 p.m., Presbyterian Church Choir Room, Pres., Mrs. V. Gill, Main North Road; Sec., Miss A. Thomson, P.O. Box 78; Treas., Mrs. G. D. Walker, Cossens St.; W.R., Mrs. E. Williamson, Cossens St.
BIRKENHEAD, 3rd Tuesday, Methodist S.S. Hall, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. A. T. Richards, 18 Marama Terrace; Sec., Mrs. Utting, 28 Wairoa Ave.; Treas., Mrs. N. Wilson.
BLenheim, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Wesley Hall, Pres., Mrs. Steel, 4 Lee St., Blenheim; Sec. Mrs. R. Waive; Treas., Mrs. F. W. Harris.
BROOKLYN, Methodist Hall, last Tuesday, 2.15 p.m. Pres., Mrs. T. H. Reed, 6 Bruce Ave.; Sec., Mrs. Jordan, 235 Happy Valley Rd.; Cor. Sec.-Treas., Miss O'Connor, 37 Washington Ave., Brooklyn.
CAMBRIDGE, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom, Pres. Mrs. F. A. Parry, Wordsworth St., Leamington; Sec., Mrs. A. Burt, 29 Queen St.; Treas Mrs. H. Larsen, Robinson St.; C.R., Mrs. H. Larsen; W.R., Mrs. P. R. Hunt.
CHRISTCHURCH CENTRAL, Cambridge Tce. Methodist S.S. Hall, 4th Wednesday, 2.15 p.m. Pres., Mrs I. Wilson, 258 Lyttelton St., S.W.1; Sec., Mrs H. A. Hunt, 89 St. Andrews Hill Rd.; Treas and W.R., Mrs. Angus, 287 Worcester St.; C.R., Mrs Harding, 359 Worcester St.
DARGAVILLE, 2nd Thursday, Presbyterian Hall, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Green, Gordon St.; Sec., Mrs. F. G. Smith, Awakino Rd.; Treas., Mrs. E. T. Heathcote; W.R. Agent, Mrs. W. Cuthbert.
DANNEVIRKE, 2nd Tuesday, Methodist Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss Mildon; Secretary Treas., Mrs. H. P. Turner; Cor. Sec., Miss Thompson.
DUNEDIN CENTRAL, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Hanover St. Baptist S.S. Pres., Mrs J. Hiatt, 11 Duke St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Lithgoe and Todd; Sec., Mrs Jackson, 34 Connington Rd., Maori Hill; Treas., Miss Farquhar; W.R., Mrs Graham, 11 Northfield Avenue, Opoho, Dunedin.
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GORE, 4th Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., St. Andrew's Hall, Pres., Mrs. Alex. Johnston, Maitland, via Gore; Treas., Mrs. D. McAskill; Sec., Mrs. C. S. Rose.
GONVILLE, 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Knox Presbyterian Hall, Pres., Mrs. T. R. Clancey; Sec., Miss Roots, 27 May St.; Treas., Mrs. Spurdle.
HAMILTON, 1st Thursday, St. Paul's Parlour, London St. Pres., Mrs. M. E. Moore, 4 Piako Rd.; Sec., Mrs. L. Eastwood, 2 Wellington St.; Treas., Mrs. N. Hood.
HASTINGS, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., St. Andrew's Hall, Pres. Mrs. E. Linyard, S. Hastings St.; Sec., Mrs. M. Pitt, 1015 Waipuna St.; Treas., Mrs L. Doig, 502 Frederick St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Herbison, 301 S. Willowpark Rd.
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HENDERSON, 3rd Wednesday, 2.15 p.m., Methodist Church, Pres., Mrs D. MacLeod, MacLeod Rd., R.D. Henderson; Sec., Mrs J. E. Thompson, "Casa-loma", R.D. Henderson; Treas., Mrs Tunks, Gt. North Rd., Henderson; W.R. Agent Mrs J. E. Thompson.
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INVERCARGILL, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Salvation Army Social Hall, Pres., Mrs H. Tinker, 43 High St., Rosedale; Sec., Mrs J. M. Watson, 14 Mitchell St.; Treas., Miss H. S. Jamieson.
JOHNSONVILLE, 2nd Tuesday, 2 p.m., Presbyterian Sunday School, Pres., Mrs. McBride, Main Rd.; Sec., Miss I. Mitchell; Treas., Mrs. H. Johnson.
KAIAPOI, last Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., W.C.T.U. Hall, Pres., Mrs. A. Stocking; Cam Rd.; Sec., Miss Hamel; Treas., Miss S. E. Evans.
KARORI, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. in members' homes. Pres., Mrs. F. J. T. Grigg, 61 Friend St.; Sec., Mrs. S. G. Phillips,

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- NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT EXECUTIVE**, 1st Wednesday at 10 a.m. in Cambridge Terrace Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. M. Griffiths, 87 Riccarton Rd., Chch.; Sec., Mrs. J. E. Stokes, 24 McLean St., Chch., E.1.; Treas., Mrs. L. R. Pugh, 65 Hartley Ave., Papanui, Chch.
- NORTHCOTE**, 2nd Tuesday, 2 p.m., Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. Turner, 16 Seaview Ave., Northcote; Sec., Mrs. L. J. Hockenhuill, 32 Richmond Ave., Northcote; Treas., Mrs. Wyatt, 20 Vincent Rd., Northcote.
- NORTH EAST VALLEY**, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Church of Christ Hall. Pres., Mrs L. Jamieson, James St.; Sec., Miss G. Gibbs, 118 North Rd.
- NORTHLAND DISTRICT EXECUTIVE**, 1st Wednesday, February, April, June, Sept. Pres., Mrs S. S. Green, Gordon St. Dargaville; Vice-Pres., Mrs Singleton; Rec. Sec., Mrs Keyte; Corr. Sec., Mrs Lane, 15 Lovatts Cres., Whangarei; Treas., Mrs Hill Taylor.
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- ONEHUNGA**, 2nd Thursday, 2 p.m., Methodist Hall, Grey St. Pres., Mrs F. W. Mountjoy, 78 Quadrant Rd.; Sec. and Press Reporter, Mrs H. Grigg, 2 Malvern Rd., Te Papapa; Treas., Mrs E. Mead, 3 Alcorn St., Royal Oak.
- OPAWA**, 3rd Tuesday, Baptist Church. Pres., Mrs. Ewart-Smith, 75 St. Martin's Rd., St. Martin's; Sec., Mrs. Campbell, 31 Alen St., Christchurch; Treas., Mrs. Height, 66 Opawa Rd.
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- OXFORD**, 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Coronation Hall. Pres., Mrs. N. G. Dalley, Powell's Rd.; Sec., Mrs. H. Cederman, R.M.D., Oxford; Treas., Mrs. V. Saunders, Cooper's Creek, R.D., Oxford.
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- PONSONBY**, 3rd Thursday, St. John's Ladies' Guild Room, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. W. Clarke, 85 Norfolk St.; Sec. & Treas., Mrs. B. Christopher; Maori, Sister Jessie.
- REMUERA**, 3rd Monday, Methodist Hall, St. Vincent Ave., Remuera, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. A. L. Kelsey, 32 St. Vincent Ave.; Rec. Sec., Miss Tozer, 25 Princes St., Northcote; V.-Pres and Corr. Sec., Mrs. G. Robinson; Treas., Mrs. Arnold, 107 McCullough Ave., Mt. Roskill; W.R., Miss Harlow.
- RICCARTON**, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in Clarence St. Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. H. S. Griffiths, 87 Riccarton Rd.; Sec., Mrs. J. Buggy, 20 Sylvan St., Hillmorton; Treas., Mrs. Thomas, 15 Division St.
- RICHMOND** (Nelson) 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Baptist Church. Pres., Mrs. Hunter, Hill St., Richmond; Sec., and W.R. Agent, Miss Dyson, 30 Waverley St.; Treas., Mrs. Houston, Hill St.
- ST. ALBANS**, 1st Thursday, 2.15 p.m., in Salvation Army Hall, Cranford St. Pres., Mrs. E. Walton, 17 McMillan Ave.; Sec., Mrs. E. M. Osborn, 70 Purchas St.; Treas., Miss M. Dudney, 11 Oxley Avenue.
- SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT EXECUTIVE**, Pres., Mrs Dewe, c/o 95 Studholme St., Morrinsville; Vice Pres., Mrs Moore, Mrs Christian, Miss A. M. McLay. Sec., Mrs Ogg, 334 River Road, Hamilton; Treas., Mrs Eastwood, 2 Wellington St., Hamilton East. Meetings as arranged.
- SPREYDON**, Salvation Army Hall, 2nd Tuesday. Pres., Mrs. L. H. Woodcock, 258 Lyttelton St.; Sec., Mrs. Bowden, 74 Selwyn St.; Treas., Miss L. Brown, 138 Lincoln Rd., Spreydon.
- STOKE**, 4th Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs N. Polglase, 6 Taupata St., Stoke; Sec., Mrs J. H. Cowan, Polstead Rd.; Treas., Mrs. L. B. Walker, Willow Ave.
- TAURANGA**, 1st Tuesday, 2 p.m., Salvation Army Hall. (Acting) Pres., Mrs Williamson, Pitt St.; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames Christian, Bulmer, Woolford, and Starke; Corr. Sec., Mrs Christian, Fairlight, Sixth Avenue; Rec. Sec., Mrs Marsh, King John St.; Treas., Miss Beswick, First Avenue.
- TAKAPUNA**, 1st Wednesday, Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs Prussing, 1 Campbell Rd.; Sec., Mrs Galbraith, 1 Lomond St.; Treas., Miss P. Prussing; W.R., Miss Gordon.
- TE AWAMUTU**, 3rd Thursday, Presbyterian Hall; Acting Pres., Mrs Ogg, 334 River Road, Hamilton; Sec., Mrs S. Bryant, 31 College St., Treas., Mrs E. L. Purdie, Wynyard St., W.R., Mrs W. Thompson, Ohaupo Rd.
- TE KOPURU**, 3rd Thursday, Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. H. Bickers; Sec., Mrs. A. J. Wordsworth; Treas., Mrs. Soole.
- TE KUITI**, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Church Vestry. Vice-Presidents, Mesdames Bruce, Jackson and Christensen; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. G. Elliott; Hospital Visitor, Mrs. Smith; C. P., Mrs. Christensen; W.R. Mrs. Coyle; Seamen's Rest, Mrs. E. Smith.
- TE KUITI (Maori)**, 1st Friday, 11 a.m., "Te Huinga" Maori Centre. Pres., Mrs. Baker, No. 1 R.D., Te Kuiti; Sec., Sister G. Clement, Box 102; Treas., Mrs. M. Joseph, 54 Awakino Rd., Te Kuiti.
- TIMARU**, last Tuesday, 2.15 p.m., Sailor's Rest. Pres. Mrs H. A. F. Wood, 37 Victoria St.; Sec., Mrs S. Dellow, 22 Guinness St.; Treas., Mrs A. Heron, 57 Orbell St.; Sec.-Treas., Sailor's Rest, Mrs N. Dickenson, 80 Evans St.
- WAIMATE**, 2nd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Knox Hall. Pres., Mrs. W. Duckett, Mary St.; Treas., Miss S. Hayman; Sec., Mrs. C. Mills; W.R., Miss I. Kennard.
- WAIPIKURAU AND WAIPAWA**, 4th Wednesday, 2.30 p.m. alternate months respectively. Pres., Miss Bibby, Rose St. Waipawa.
- WAIROA**, H.B., 2nd Tuesday. Pres., Mrs E. Houghton, Queen St.; Sec., Mrs B. G. Wirtter, P.O. Box 140; Treas., Mrs H. T. Brocklehurst, 108 Lahore St.
- WANGANUI CENTRAL**, 1st Wednesday, 2.15 p.m., Salvation Army Hall, Wickstead St. Pres., Miss V. Kendall, 133 Harrison St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. R. Wilson, 3 Marshall Ave., Wanganui East; Treas., Mrs. Crawford, 23 Alexander St.
- WANGANUI EAST**, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., St. Albar's Hall. Pres., Mrs. Kobb; Sec., Mrs. A. Jarvis; Treas., Miss V. Jarvis, 33 Salisbury Ave.
- WARKWORTH**, 3rd Wednesday, 2 p.m., Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs R. V. Moore; Sec., Mrs A. W. Gittos, Neville St.; Treas., Miss J. Davie-Martin; W.R., Mrs. Rowe.
- WELLINGTON**, 2nd Wednesday, 2.15 p.m., at Cambridge Terrace Congregational Schoolroom, pro tem. Pres., Mrs. Mitchell, 13 Stafford St., C.4., Wellington; Sec., Mrs. Hall, 402 Muritai Rd., Eastbourne; Treas., Miss Kirk, J.P., 57 Pitt St., Wadestown.
- WELLINGTON CENTRAL**, 3rd Wednesday, W.C.T.U. Headquarters, 134 Ghuznee St., Wellington, at 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. J. H. Barbour, Poplar Ave., Raumati Sth.; Sec. Major A. Fletcher, 134 Ghuznee St.; Treas., Mrs. Parrant, 40 Nottingham St., Karori; W.R., Mrs. Barbour.
- WELLINGTON DISTRICT EXECUTIVE**, at Headquarters, bi-monthly. Pres., Miss V. G. Jackson, 63 Cole St., Masterton; Acting Sec., Mrs. J. H. Grigg, 1 Mallam St., Wellington, W.3.
- WELLSFORD**, 4th Tuesday, 1.45 p.m., alternate Churches. Pres., Mrs. C. H. Singleton; Sec., Mrs. D. G. Stubbs, No. 3 R.D.; Treas. Mrs Singleton; W.R., Mrs. A. Powell; C.R., Mrs. A. Powell and Mrs. W. Cullen.
- WHANGAREI**, 2nd Thursday, 2 p.m., Methodist Hall. Pres. (Acting), Mrs W. J. Roberts; Sec. and W.R. Agent, Mrs T. P. Lane, 15 Lovatt's Cres.; Treas., Mrs E. J. Hills; C.R., Mrs Rarity.