

RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT CONVENTION MARCH 1959

1. That this Convention asks for legislation to ensure that minors should not be supplied with liquor, even when booked in at hotels, unless under the supervision of parents.

2. That this Convention urges the Health Department to issue a regulation requiring all sellers of alcoholic liquors to label such liquors accordingly, stating the percentage of alcohol which they contain.

3. That this Convention asks for stricter enforcement of the licensing laws.

4. That members be urged to have no dealings in other commodities with firms which sell liquor as well. **Note:** This applies particularly to grocery stores that have obtained liquor licences.

5. That in place of the three-issue ballot paper, the Government be asked to provide a two-issue ballot paper, this being Continuance and Prohibition.

6. That the Government be asked to reinstate the "anti-shouting" legislation which was repealed after the First World War.

7. That the M.P.'s of New Zealand be asked by Unions to state their stand on the liquor question. A list of suitable questions to be compiled by Dominion Officers.

8. That we assist desocialising liquor drinking by persuading people to substitute fruit juices for alcoholic beverages at social functions. Suggested methods being:

- (a) By distributing as many leaflets as possible to Women's Groups and other people.
- (b) By giving demonstrations of fruit juices at various meetings.

9. That this Convention protests to the Government against any proposals to grant liquor licences to Airports.

10. That, while expressing appreciation of the discouragement of commercial advertising of liquor, this Convention urges that liquor advertising should be banned from television programmes.

11. Re-affirmations (see handbook 1958):

- (a) Non-employment of barmaids.
- (b) No sale of liquor in restaurants.
- (c) No sale of liquor in grocery stores.
- (d) No alteration in trading hours without a referendum.
- (e) The institution of local option polls.

12. That this Convention urges the Government to make illegal the sale of raffle tickets under any circumstances, by children under 16 years of age.

13. That this Convention urges members to help on school and other committees, thus using their influence to prevent gambling practices.

14. That this Convention deplores the introduction of night trotting meetings and asks that such meetings be strictly restricted.

15. That this Convention requests the Government to make a careful investigation of the operation of the T.A.B. system and of its general moral and economic affects on the life of the community.

16. That it be made compulsory for Art Union tickets to have the nature of the prize printed thereon and that in the case of a prize being a hamper, the contents of the hamper be clearly stated.

17. That this Convention records its strong opposition to any proposal to introduce football pools into New Zealand.

18. That the Government be requested to pass legislation making it an offence for any person who has been adjudged a bankrupt to visit any T.A.B. agency for the purpose of placing bets.

19. That, while appreciating the Film Censor's efforts to improve films for exhibition, this Convention considers that some of the films already censored have had deleterious affects on some young people.

20. That this Convention asks the Minister of Internal Affairs to investigate the high costs of funeral expenses.

21. That this Convention urges women to offer for Jury service.

22. That this Convention asks, that when a woman or girl comes before the Magistrate's Court or the Supreme Court, a woman J.P. or another responsible woman be present with her, to support her during the hearing of the case.

23. That the Health Department be asked to ensure that labour rooms be single and sound proof and that multiple labour rooms be eliminated as being inconsistent with the N.Z. mother's right to dignity, privacy and serenity in the functions of motherhood.

24. That the Health Department ensure that the Advisory Council of the Obstetrical and Gynaecological Unit should have at least two women members and at least 50 per cent of its total members should be drawn from the newly constituted Branch in N.Z. of the Royal O & G Society.

25. That in view of the fact that sales tax on goods imposed as a war measure and which has been lifted from many articles, we ask the Government that it should be reduced or removed from all printing and stationery purchases.

26. That, because of the incidence of lung cancer, boys and girls in Intermediate and Secondary Schools be educated concerning the harmful effects of smoking.

27. That the history of our movement be brought up to date for the 75th Anniversary of the N.Z. Union in 1960. Material from Fifty Golden Years to be embodied in the publication, which should be in the hands of the printer by August 1959.

28. Concerning the Temperance Quiz:

- (a) That Districts be given the right to select their own prizes, a cost rate to be worked out by a committee consisting of the Quiz Superintendent, Dominion Treasurer and the Editor of the W.R.
- (b) That name slips be printed and forwarded to the Quiz Superintendent who would send them to the District requiring same.
- (c) That the Quiz Superintendent be empowered to choose the prizes for Unions which request her to do so.

29. That the superintendent for medical and Scientific Temperance and Bible Class Temperance be empowered to arrange, if possible, a Temperance Essay competition with prizes for young people.

30. That the Title of the World Department of Peace and International Arbitration be suggested as "Peace and World Co-operation".

31. That Unions compile junior White Ribbon Roll for children following on from the L.W.R. Roll.