

The White Ribbon

For God, and home, and humanity.

Thought for the Month.

"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is Power; thinking together is Unity; working together with God is Success." —Selected.

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Presidential Address

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The year just ended marks a very eventful period in the history of our Union work and of our Dominion. As a Union we have made history.

VISIT OF THE WORLD PRESIDENT

Mrs. Forrester-Paton

From our viewpoint the outstanding event was the visit of the World President, the first occasion on which the Dominion Union had been so honoured. It was a great delight and inspiration to welcome Mrs. Forrester-Paton and, although the visit was all too short, it was a memorable experience for all those who were fortunate enough to meet and to hear the World President. In her talks Mrs. Paton crystallised for us the White Ribbon Bond which unites us with the women of every country, race and language and helped us to realise, in some measure, that unity in Jesus Christ which binds us together in a great Cause. The various meetings have already been reported through the White Ribbon.

Mrs. Paton has written very kindly in appreciation of the delightful time she spent with the W.C.T.U. in New Zealand. Her meeting with our Maori members at Waitomo Caves was an unforgettable experience. I take this opportunity to pass on to you all her Greetings and warm thanks and her prayer "May God richly bless all the W.C.T.U. work in New Zealand."

LICENSING POLLS

It has most certainly been a "Polling Year!"

Two Polls on the Licensing question



were held during the year, namely, the Referendum on 6 o'clock closing of licensed hotel bars, held in March, and the tri-ennial Licensing Poll held in November.

The former aroused a great deal of attention among all sections of the community, and the widespread publicity from the Press and from the public platform and church pulpit was valuable propaganda for our Cause. A Call to Prayer had been made to our

members throughout the Dominion and on that day earnest prayer ascended from the hearts and homes of many loyal New Zealand women. The people of this country voted for the continuance of 6 o'clock closing by a majority vote of 75.5 per cent. We thank our God for the abundant answer.

The retention of No-License in the King Country also gives us cause for thanksgiving. The deputation of Maori people, led by their King, which waited upon the Prime Minister in this matter, is historic. Many of our Maori members took part in the deputation.

The result of the Tri-ennial Poll in November was not altogether a surprise. The lowering of spiritual values and the break-down of moral standards, consequent, largely, on two World Wars, when normal life was greatly in abeyance, is clearly revealed in the attitude of the people towards the Curse of the Nation—the legalised Liquor Traffic. We must face the fact that there is much greater drinking in the homes, in hidden places and elsewhere. Children and minors are reported to be drinking more generally and the cruel, deeply laid and well organised "Blood Money" Campaign of the World Brewers' Conference of 1933 "to teach the rising generation to drink" has been largely and woefully successful.

I give here, for comparison, the results of the 1946 and 1949 Polls.

European Vote.	Continuance.	Per cent.	State Purchase.	Per cent.	Prohibition.	Per cent.
1946	542,681	54.02	202,664	20.18	259,162	25.8
1949	636,731	61.92	130,403	12.68	261,065	25.4
Maori (First time)						
1949	23,842	64.57	5,579	15.11	7,503	20.32
Total 1949	660,573	62	135,982	12.8	268,568	25.2
		Total Valid European Votes		1,028,199		
		Total Valid Votes		1,065,123		

Do you recall an occasion in the last World War? Mr. Churchill was in France during a crisis. He returned to London, called his Cabinet together and told them, "France has fallen. We are standing alone—AND I FIND IT INSPIRING!!" THAT IS VICTORY!

GAMBLING

The Referendum on "Off-Course Betting" held also in March, created much publicity and awakened the intelligent section of the community to the enormity of this character-destroying habit and addiction. The ever mounting figures of money passed through the totalisator shows how deeply entrenched is the **Twin Evil**. Yea, verily, the World is sick of a Fever!

COMPULSORY MILITARY TRAINING

Before the Referendum in August the Union petitioned the Government for an assurance that, in the event of this becoming Law, Wet Canteens would not be allowed in Camps for young men called up under this Scheme, and also that the Law prohibiting the sale of liquor to youths under 21 years of age would be strictly enforced. The assurance asked for was given by the Prime Minister.

THE FORWARD MOVE—OUR FIVE YEAR PLAN

This plan was inaugurated at last Convention to intensify our work in all its departments. The Keynote is PRAYER. Considering the extra work and the difficulties consequent on a Poll year, the reports have been encouraging but we would like to see more done **and all such work reported**. As we begin our second year of the Plan let us remember that "PRAYER is the Pathway to POWER" and that "God worketh for them that wait for Him."

MAORI WORK ORGANISER APPOINTED

Early in September, through the good offices of Rev. A. J. Seamer, we had the pleasure of welcoming into our work as an Organiser, Mrs. Eunice Bell, a Maori member of the Union and an ex-Turakina College student. Mrs. Bell has done a considerable amount of visiting and speaking and has endeavoured to open up the way for the organisation of some Maori Unions. New members have been gained and interest created in the Temperance Cause in places hitherto untouched by the Union. We commend our Organiser to you all and ask that you will uphold her in Prayer as she seeks to help her own people in their stern fight against the common Enemy.

YOUTH WORK

The need for intensive Temperance work among the youth of our land is very great and calls for a full time "Y" Organiser. I would commend to Unions the work being done in Belmont "Y" Branch. There is no more fruitful work for the future of the

W.C.T.U., and for National Temperance than the "Y" work.

The Bands of Hope and L.T.L. groups speak of sacrifice and loving service by busy women who seek to save the Nation through the child life. "Save the child and you will save the Nation."

We are frequently told by church leaders when we plead with them to co-operate with us in the forming of a Band of Hope, "Oh, the Band of Hope is old-fashioned. Can't you think up something new?" They apparently can't for they haven't done it. The opinion is commonly held by men and women who have had their early training and experience in the Band of Hope that nothing has ever taken its place as an organism for the building up of Christian, sober, clean good citizens and church workers. In the cycle of the years we see how good are the old-fashioned things. For a time "Jazz" that noisy, raucous mass of heathen jangle and body twitching held sway in the fevered minds and emotions of masses of people. But it is passing, as all that is counterfeit must pass. How refreshing and gladdening to return to the dear old-fashioned music and songs, great Oratorios, which speak of kindness and love, and beauty and peace; yes, and sorrow and chivalry, and Home and God's Love. The hearts of men and women are hungering for these things. After all, it is only heart and goodness that lives. Evil and superficial things must die. The great and good and beautiful in music, song and story and in memories of Band of Hope days, live in our hearts for ever, because they are good.

So friends, keep the good old-fashioned Band of Hope in its rightful place, in the heart of Christian work, sowing the seeds of Temperance and purity and goodness in the hearts of little children.

GLIMPSSES OF WORK IN OTHER LANDS

U.S.A. Celebrated the Diamond Jubilee of the Union at the Convention held in August last. Attended by eleven hundred-delegates and visitors. It was the first time that a large women's organisation has reached the three-quarters of a century mark. Has local organisations in 10,000 communities of the United States alone. Almost fifty thousand new members, including young people and honorary members, have been secured during the past year. An outstanding tribute was paid to the Union by Mr. Howard N. Clinton, Editor of "Progress" and Superintendent of the International Reform Federation who has been for fifty years a guest speaker of local, State, National and World W.C.T.U. Mr. Howard writes in the October issue of "Progress," "I have declined to speak under the auspices of other Dry organisations because they are unstable and operate along the line of least resistance. Not so the W.C.T.U. It has not changed its name or front since the fire from heaven fell upon the Crusade women."

INDIA. We rejoice to know that India has already, in a measure, accomplished **Prohibition** and that the aim is to make the whole, vast country DRY. Madras became Dry and Bombay is aiming to follow on April 1st, 1950. All provinces have launched the Prohibition Campaign. Official parties and banquets are "Dry." More than 12,000 toddy and liquor shops have been closed down. It is believed that Prohibition will be enforced throughout the country in the next five years at the latest. The Governor-General of India is a Prohibitionist. We congratulate our sisters of the India W.C.T.U. on this great victory for our Cause.

GERMANY. The W.C.T.U. is reported to be making remarkable progress. Frau Fischer, National President, writes, "Our W.C.T.U. work was nearly destroyed but the Lord has blessed our rebuilding. We had much good success this year, and we always felt stronger when feeling the true sisterhood of White Ribbon throughout the world."

SWITZERLAND. Is remarkable for work done by women in promoting alcohol-free canteens, restaurants and hotels. The Woman's Company in Zurich for Temperance Hotels, which celebrated fifty years of service in 1944, maintains a huge business, with three residential hotels, fifteen restaurants and four canteens.

DENMARK. The Government subsidises the Temperance work by over £4,000 per annum.

SLOVAKIA. A town in Slovakia has decided that people who have been intoxicated during the week must sweep the streets and weed the parks the following Saturday.

ITALY. It is reported that during her recent visit to Italy, Princess Margaret declined a new type of cocktail concocted by an "expert" and named after the Princess. Fruit juice was substituted.

While in these and other countries we note intelligent progress towards Temperance and Prohibition we turn with real concern to the reports of the trend in Great Britain and New Zealand. The Licensing (New Towns) Bill introduced by the British Labour Government, and which is likely soon to become Law, has met with much opposition by the Temperance forces there. It has called forth from the National British Women's Total Abstinence Union a declaration of its Policy which it will be well for us to remember as it is also the stand which our Union takes in this matter of the regulation of the Alcohol Liquor Traffic.

Its Policy is as follows:—

What the "British Women" stand for.
We stand for the extinction of the Liquor Traffic, not for its regulation; we cannot consent to become parties to any schemes for carrying it on.

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SERVICE OF MEMORIES

1950

The Service of Remembrance, conducted by Miss C. M. McLay was a solemn and impressive one, wherein those members of our Unions who had passed on to Higher Service during the year, were lovingly remembered. Mrs. Underhill rendered the solo, "O Rest in the Lord."

Northland District: District Secretary, Miss M. E. Edmed, Dargaville; Mrs. Dreadon, Whangarei.

Auckland District: Mrs. Dykes, Mrs. Wilson, Auckland Union; Miss Hobden, Onehunga.

South Auckland District: Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Burt, Hamilton.

Wanganui District: Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Jarvis Sen., Mrs. Conybear, Mrs. Wiferton, Miss Sutherland and Miss Jordan, Wanganui East; Mrs. Taylor, Aramoho; Mrs. Duffield, Hon. member, Wanganui.

Taranaki District: Mrs. Trotter, Mrs. Bates, Foundation member, Mrs. Barker, W.R. Agent, Hawera.

Wellington District: Mrs. Baudinet, Life Vice-President, Brooklyn; Mrs. Buck, Brooklyn; Mrs. Howe, Wellington Central.

Nelson District: Mrs. Moyes, Dom. Supt., Backblocks; Mrs. Kirby, Mrs. Holdaway, Mrs. A. T. Jones, Mrs. Walter, Mrs. Woodward, Mrs. Ridland and Miss Underwood, Nelson.

North Canterbury: Mrs. J. Black, Mrs. Hunter, Linwood; Mrs. Cookson, Mrs. Wells, Sydenham.

South Canterbury: Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Mather, Miss Patterson, Oamaru.

Otago District: Miss A. Finlayson, Mrs. Halton, Miss Fraser, Mrs. D. K. McDonald, Mrs. Anderson (aged 95 years), Dunedin Central; Miss E. McCarthy, Dunedin South; Mrs. Christie, Mrs. Botting, North East Valley.

Southland District: Mrs. Booth, Mrs. Lillicray, Mrs. D. Strang, Mrs. T. Bath, Invercargill Central; Mrs. Agnes Bell, Invercargill South.

EASTER-TIDE

HE IS RISEN

"The first Easter morn was breaking;
Out of the Eastern sky;
When through the twilight shadows
Hearts to the tomb drew nigh.
Hope had not led them thither,
But with a love that's true,
There at the grave they sought Him
Bringing their last gift, too.

"There in the early dawning,
Rolled was the stone away;
Guarded by angel beings,
Empty the tomb! they say.
He, as He said, is risen,
Quickly the message bear.
He goeth on before you,
Go! Ye shall see Him there!

"O Easter morn, when light anew is
born,
Thy Glory shows amid earth's dark-
some way;
The shadows flee, and men rejoice to
see,
The blessing of thy radiant beams
today."

—C. LAWRENCE HILL.

"Within the Veil"

MRS. LAURA LOUISA SMITH

Mrs. Smith passed away recently at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sewell of Aramoho at the age of 88, after a long life of service in the W.C.T.U., which she joined in Christchurch in 1900. Her work lay mostly among the young people—a life work from which she never retired.

In various country districts, and in the Islands of Niue and Raratonga, she founded Leagues of boys and girls pledged to purity of life.

In 1920, Mrs. Smith was instrumental in establishing the Union in Tauranga and became its first president. After her removal to Napier in 1930, her husband's illness prevented further active service, though she never relaxed her efforts for the children of the schools, with which all her life she was closely connected. Through the "White Ribbon," she followed the news of the work she loved. She did what she could. May she now find greater light and understanding and the joy of extended service.

—I. M. SEWELL.

CONVENTION COMMUNION SERVICE

As delegates gathered reverently at the Ingestre Street Baptist Church on the Friday morning, to share in the Communion Service, and women of many denominations met around the Lord's Table of Remembrance, one realised afresh the value of that word "Christian" in our title of Women's Christian Temperance Union. There is a bond in the service of Jesus Christ and having met thus around His Table, in that simple and impressive service, hearts were touched and lives re-dedicated.

Rev. G. T. Beilby who conducted the service, brought to us an encouraging message from Mark 14:15. When Christ calls us to work for Him, He always prepares a place in which we can serve. Philip, at Gaza, found a heart prepared, and so we can go forward confidently knowing that He has gone ahead and prepared a way for us.

CHURCH PARADE

A splendid number of delegates assembled at the appointed place in the main street of the city on Convention Sunday evening, and then led by the Dominion President, Miss C. M. McLay, and the Dominion Officers marched to St. Paul's Presbyterian Church.

Rev. A. C. McLean, the minister of the church occupied the pulpit and received the W.C.T.U. Banner from the President. Miss McLay read the two scripture lessons during the service, and the solo, "How lovely are thy dwellings," was rendered by Mrs. Tinker.

Rev. McLean welcomed the delegates to the service and preached a forceful sermon upon the duty of Christian witness in the home and the community.

DEVOTIONAL PERIOD

GOD REIGNS

"We know that all things work together for good to them that love God."

Romans, 8:28.

Reading: Philippians, 4:11-13, also v. 19.

Surely in these days of perplexity and problems, we do need some assurance of power and wisdom by someone who could be engaged in solving these anxious questions? The words of our text join with many other promises in God's Word in providing that assurance.

The one who spoke these words endured hardship and yet Paul was sure of his ground. **We know** that all things work together for good.

But you know that all things may not work together for good according to our ideas. We have sometimes been mistaken about what is good for the world and for ourselves.

The Cross of Christ was God's work for good and it may be that we have a cross to bear.

Let us remember that one isolated event may not work for good, it is "all" things.

He says the "whole" plan.

How impatient we get. We want to see results, but Paul says, "We shall reap in due season if we faint not."

But then there are conditions.

"To them that love God."

Then do I love Him?

Do we keep His commandments? How often we expect so much from God but are unwilling to face up to our part.

A love that trusts and submits to His will may trust the promise of our text.

One day we will see that God's plan was right.

Lord, I believe that Thou wilt do
Beyond my highest thought, or
dream, or prayer,

I leave with Thee the unknown path
ahead,

Veiled from my sight, but shielded
by Thy care,
And in Thy love find rest.

Lord, I believe that Thou wilt guide

Through all the maze of life's bewil-
d'ring ways,

Amid the winding paths I could but
grope,

On through the heavy mists of
cloudy days:

But to Thee all is clear.

—ETHEL BEUTALL.

PRAYER

Strengthen our faith, O Lord, that we may place our hands in Thine with confidence, knowing that Thou art surely guiding us aright. We have sometimes been foolish enough to trust our own judgments and have persisted in doing what seemed right in our own eyes.

May we walk serenely with Thee, knowing that by circumstances, by Thy secret voice, and by Thy written word, Thou wilt clearly guide us.

For Christ's sake.

Amen.

E. M. APPLEBY.

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DOMINION CONVENTION WANGANUI, 1950

The eighty delegates to the sixty-third Convention of the N.Z. Women's Christian Temperance Union were privileged to spend seven happy, busy days together in Wanganui from March 9th to 15th. The District President, Mrs. Chesswas and her Convention Committee are to be congratulated upon their arrangements—the smooth and successful running of the Convention proved the efficiency of their preparations.

On Thursday afternoon, March 9th, in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church Hall, the Convention was called to order by the Dominion President, Miss C. M. McLay. The printed order of service was followed, commencing with the stirring battle hymn "Mine eyes have seen the glory in the Coming of the Lord," responsive scripture reading and prayer. Together we repeated our pledge.

Mrs. Chesswas, as District President, then extended a warm welcome to the delegates, on behalf of the Wanganui Unions. Convention had been constituted and the agenda was a full and interesting one as session followed session throughout the week of Convention.

PUBLIC RECEPTION AND CONVERSAZIONE

A public welcome, extended to the delegates to the sixty-third Convention of the W.C.T.U. was held in St. Paul's Hall with the District President, Mrs. Chesswas in the chair. Pretty floral sprays were presented to the Dominion Officers and the visiting speakers by Miss Christie of Wanganui. Welcome speeches were made by the following, Mr. Hawkins deputising for the Mayor who was absent at a Mayoral Conference; Miss E. M. Baker, M.A., Principal of the Wanganui Girls' College, representing National Council of Women; Rev. W. T. Couling, Ministers' Association; Miss J. Sewell, Council of Christian Churches; and Rev. A. T. Speers, N.Z. Alliance. All speakers stressed the value of the W.C.T.U. in the community, its pre-

sentation of Christian standards and its work as a pioneer women's organisation.

A splendid programme then followed, and comprised the following items: solos by Miss Aileen Moorman and Miss Esme Smith, elocutionary by Mrs. Payne, and a vocal trio by Mesdames Berry and Tipper, and Miss Moorman. The Dominion President, Miss C. M. McLay, expressed the thanks of delegates to the speakers, and those who entertained them. Miss McLay made reference to the work of the founder, Frances Willard, who taught the doctrine of love and hate. Love for one's fellow men and hate for all the evil, which marred the life of the individual, and the whole human race. This was the work of the W.C.T.U. in 54 countries in the world today.

A delightful supper was served at the conclusion of the programme.

THE OUTING AND SOCIAL EVENING — Saturday

Much appreciation was expressed by the delegates for the enjoyable bus ride arranged for them by the Wanganui Unions. The route took them all round Wanganui and its outskirts, and at the same time they heard most interesting details of early history. A highlight of the trip was a visit to the beautiful little Maori Church at Putiki, where the Maori carvings and handicraft were greatly admired by all. The buses took delegates back to a most enjoyable tea at the Baptist Church. After tea, the Wanganui Loyal Temperance Legion gave a programme under the direction of the leaders, Mrs. Jarvis and Miss Jarvis. Miss McLay voiced the appreciation of all to the children and presented Mrs. Jarvis with the banner they had won. Two temperance films "It's the Brain that Counts," and "The Beneficent Reprobate" were then shown.

DOMINION OFFICERS ELECTED:

Dominion President: Miss C. M. McLay.

Dominion Vice-President: Mrs. H. N. Toomer.

Dominion Recording Secretary: Mrs. V. Underhill.

Dominion Corresponding Secretary: Mrs. Chesswas.

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MAORI ORGANISER APPOINTED

Mrs. Eunice Bell

Convention has appointed Mrs. Eunice Bell of Taumarunui to work as educational officer among the Maori people for six months of this year. Mrs. Bell would value the prayers of all our members, as she goes about among her own people.

BANNERS AND AWARDS

Congratulations to the recipients of the following banners, which were presented during the Convention.

Membership:

Highest percentage increase — **Mataura.**

Largest numerical increase — **Oamaru.**

"White Ribbon":

Union. Largest number of new subscribers — **Riccarton.**

Silver Vase (largest number of subscribers) — **Riccarton.**

Largest percentage increase (Unions under 20) — **Warkworth.**

Little White Ribboners:

Largest district Cradle Roll — **Auckland.**

Largest C.R. (Union over 30 members) — **Hamilton.**

Largest C.R. (Union 15 to 30 members) — **Tua Marina.**

Largest C.R. (Union under 15 members) — **Springlands.**

Largest percentage increase — **Wellsford, 77 per cent.**

L.T.L. Banner:

Largest number of members — **Wanganui.**

"Y" Shields for best work done:

Rangimarie and Belmont Y's.

Band of Hope Banner:

Feilding.

CONVENTION COMPETITION RESULTS

Handkerchief (new): Miss C. C. Ennor, 1st and 2nd; Mrs. Gilmour, 3rd.

Handkerchief (thrift): Miss Thompson, 1st and 2nd; Miss C. Jamieson, 3rd.

Apron (utility): Miss Sunderland, 1st; Mrs. Hannam, 2nd; Wellington W.C.T.U., 3rd.

Apron (fancy): Mrs. Allenby, 1st and 2nd; Mrs. Fisher, 3rd.

Ideas Table: Mrs. Dickinson, 1st; Mrs. Maynard, 2nd; Mrs. Knauft, 3rd.

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS—Cont.

Nationalisation pushes Prohibition further back, and makes its adoption more difficult. It brings the whole nation into partnership in the sale of Drink, gives to all a share in the profit, and so convenes the present vested interest of a few into the vested financial interest of all.

When a huge sum of public money has been expended in buying up the breweries and distilleries for the nation, the Government would inevitably be tempted to foster a larger and more profitable business than ever before in order to secure an adequate return on the capital outlay, and the welfare of the people might easily be sacrificed to the claims of the Exchequer.

The nationalisation of dangerous and destructive trades cannot alter their character, and is therefore a wrong policy for reformers.

To invest the liquor trade with the authority and prestige of a Government industry would increase its power and strengthen its hold upon the nation. It would throw upon the whole people the responsibility for its bitter fruits, its wastage and sorrows.

The President of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland, Dr. S. W. Hughes, in a recent address said:—

"In Britain's internal life we must not stand apart and see our great hopes deferred by evil customs. Our National Debt is £25,000 million . . . but we still gamble to the tune of £650 millions a year—employing more than 300,000 people to mediate these anti-social transactions. Our Drink Bill rises from £376 millions in 1940 to £762 millions in 1948, notwithstanding that the chemical analysis of a glass of beer gives food nutriment equal to less than one ounce of bread. In 1946 we spent thirty-one per cent more on food for our families than in 1938, but one hundred and thirty per cent more on alcoholic beverages. **Deterioration in character and skill through drink is so widespread and persistent, so tragically intimate to many homes . . . Our Nation, so splendid in many ways in spirit and achievement, cannot afford to spend £2,000 millions on Drink, Gambling and Tobacco out of its annual spending of £9,675 million.**

We must judge Gambling and Drink in relation to national morale and, above all, to the Coming of the Kingdom of God in our midst."

New Zealand's Drink Bill for 1948 was £16,700,723—the highest ever recorded.

What has been said concerning Britain could be said of New Zealand with equal truth, on a smaller scale.

Our Annual Convention is a time of stock-taking, of summing-up, and, as we meet thus to hear reports, to exchange ideas and to count our victories and disappointments we find there is no cause for discouragement or losing heart. On the contrary we are encouraged as we look round this hall and see seventy keen, busy

women, representing, as you do, some thousands of women in New Zealand, in our Union, and also thousands of other Christian women in the land who are with us in heart and purpose although not in our membership, upholding the principles for which we stand; mothers grateful to the Union for the work we are doing for their children; men of principle and goodwill who recognise in us a force which makes for righteousness and who stand solidly with us and, by their prayers and encouragement, strengthen our hand.

We must never lose sight of the fact that it is not merely a battle in which we are engaged. It is a Warfare, continuous, unending, while Evil shall last. There are many battles in a war. We have won many; we have gained territory; we have large battalions on our side, as is seen by the vote. The Press is an ally. Ruthlessly it reports accidents due to drunken drivers; crimes against women and children committed because men were drunk; loss of life in fires caused through drunkenness; disruption of homes; murder and many more. The medical verdict is with us also. Alcoholism is declared a "Disease." "Alcoholics Anonymous" testify to the truth of this. We are merely normal in our demand that the cause of this terrible disease shall be removed. It is possible to do it. A scientific age is the ally of Temperance. Statesmanship and world leadership are too exacting today to be entrusted to men with alcohol befuddled brains. The drunken scenes of which we read in the annals of history, when a minority of kings and lords governed men and women, ignorant serfs and slaves, cannot be allowed in these scientific days when the fiat has gone forth for all men to read, "Alcohol is a poison which paralyzes the higher centres of the brain, self-control, judgment and will-power, **and paralysis begins with the first glass.**" The people of today are thinking and able to judge their rulers, and to demand at least sobriety and clean living in those who rule over their affairs.

When Prohibition is carried the Warfare will not end but will intensify. The defence forces will require to be strengthened; Education in Temperance will be continued; law observance enforced and victory maintained at great cost. How is it to be done? I am convinced that **we can only combat and defeat the forces of Evil on the Spiritual plane.** When the Christian Church, and we are the Church, the body of believers, again becomes strong, spiritual, unified on the only basis of unity, "All one in Christ Jesus," then we shall see the victory.

It is time to wake up to reality. There is much loose talk about God being on our side. On one occasion, a man standing in the presence of Abraham Lincoln said: "I am so concerned that in this great enterprise in which we are engaged, that God be on our side." Lincoln arose and said: "I am not at all concerned that God be on our side; the great burden of my

life is that I may always be on God's side."

What place does the Word of God hold in the heart and mind and life of the nation and of the individual today?

Just as a physician seeks within the body of his patient for an ally to help him in the fight for life, so do we look in the body politic for an ally of strong spiritual and moral stamina to offset the temptations to indulge in the twin evils of drink and gambling, and to build up the forces which make for civic and national righteousness. What do we find? A lamentable and growing Paganism. A very small minority of the population is within the membership of the Christian Church. The Prayer Meeting is almost extinct in some branches of the church. And yet, it is acknowledged that the Prayer Meeting is the Power House of the church! The Sabbath Day is flagrantly desecrated by multitudes of people. Godlessness, disobedience, crime, drunkenness, gambling, infidelity, divorce, are more evident today than anyone can remember. There seems little restraint. Two world wars have not taught the people a lesson.

We are here in this Convention because we know and have heeded the lesson. We have come apart from the busy normal duties of our everyday lives that together we might again seek God's guidance and, in fellowship with Him and with each other, obtain strength and encouragement to go back to our Unions and seek to do the work better.

I was much impressed and encouraged by reading in an Address by Dr. J. H. Baird, former Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in U.S.A., given at the Jubilee Convention there, the following reference to Frances Willard. He said:—

"The statue of Frances Willard, standing quietly in the rotunda of the Capitol in Washington, symbolises something profound—the purity of our noble American womanhood, the conscience of the Nation, a silent threat to the designs of evil men."

What a wonderful thought we might dare to take from this. The conscience of the nation—symbolised in the marble statue which commemorates the life and work of a good woman—is surely reflected in her living memorial—The Women's Christian Temperance Union, Worldwide. From early Bible days we are aware of such a conscience—a Voice calling men and women to the right way, to the Higher Life in Jesus Christ, and that Voice comes through the infallible Word of God—the Bible.

The Voice calls today, as of old, and in its message lies the only remedy for a sin-stricken world:—

"If my people, which are called by My Name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek My Face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

II Chron., 7:14.

Jesus says, "Ye must be born again."

An Address

Given by Mrs. J. Hiatt at Convention, Thursday, March 9th, 1950.

We have recently had an election. We may have put much effort into endeavouring to win votes. We may have spent time in prayer with little visible effort, but the die is cast, Prohibition remains at about twenty-five per cent of the votes cast. We feel most decidedly that State Control should not be added to the Continuance vote as so many people are being exercised about some reform being necessary to stay the deadly results of Continuance.

Just last month a man of 49 in Southland was ordered to leave the city. He admitted the charge of being idle and disorderly. He had banked £50 but when arrested had only 1/3d. This man several years ago had come as a teacher to Invercargill and was thankful to be in a no-license city, as drink had been his enemy. The boys liked him. He was a fine man, a good teacher, a man with letters after his name. Then no license was lost in Invercargill and this is the result—not wanted—admitted to probation for twelve months, the condition being that he leave the city and stay away.

What does alcohol do? Deprives some of life, others of reason, and all of peace. This man would have been an honour to his country and now—not wanted—turned out by the very Government that licenses the poison that has robbed him of everything. And the poll just past has given the brewers and all liquor dealers another three years to get money, no matter what it costs in ruined lives and lost souls.

My point is this. Will you give up the fight? If it had not been for the open saloon that man would have been a good citizen and he is one of the scores both of men and women. There is a cure for such as he, and that is through the Lord Jesus Christ. We have a Saviour who can break every fetter and set the prisoner free. What then have we to do? Much, truly. This is not the time to give up when souls are being lost. Our task is uncompleted. The liquor traffic must be stopped. The manufacture of strong drink must be prohibited. We must outlaw the brewery. Strong drink, like slavery must be abolished. Our part in this great objective, and how to do this I have outlined in my address "Light and Service."

Matthew, 5:14-16.

Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid.

Neither do men light a candle and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Philippians, 2:15.

That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons and daughters of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a

crooked and perverse nation. Among whom ye shine, as lights in the world.

A city set on a hill cannot be hid.

Are we in our own home town, as a city set on a hill. Do our neighbours know by our lives lived amongst them that we are lights for God.

Jesus says "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father. What then is our incentive to let our light shine?"

Christ's love for us, the very fragrance and sweet savour of Christ's sacrifice is that it was the free-will offering of love. It is ourselves, you, me, that God wants. No gifts of money, time, talents, will meet the yearning of His heart for ourselves. "They first gave their own selves unto the Lord," says Paul speaking of the Churches of Macedonia. He says, "How that in a great trial of affliction, the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality because they first gave their own selves unto the Lord."

When we give our own selves in full and glad surrender unto the Lord, we will realise more fully, the free-will offering of love in His sacrifice for us, and that will be the incentive to let our lives so shine, that others will be drawn unto the Light of the World, Jesus our incomparable Saviour.

We may not know, we cannot tell,
What pains He had to bear,
But we believe that it was for us
He hung and suffered there.

There was no other good enough
To pay the price of sin;
He only could unlock the gate
Of heaven and let us in.

Have you read of the poor trembling slave standing upon the auction block awaiting the result of the last bid which was to separate him from wife and children and all that was dear to him in his life of bondage on the old plantation.

Higher and higher rose the bidding until at last it ceased and the hammer of the auctioneer fell. A gentleman stepped up to the slave and quickly said, "My man, I have bought you." "Yes Massa," was the subdued response. "I have bought you at a great price." The slave nodded tearful assent.

"But more than this," said the purchaser, "I have bought you to set you free."

And striking off his bonds he said, "Go, you are a free man."

Falling at the feet of his deliverer, the overjoyed freedman said, "Oh Massa, I am your slave for ever."

That is our incentive to give ourselves unreservedly unto our Christ who bought us with His own precious blood.

Then service, glad, joyful service shall we render.

Before electricity became the national lighting system, it was necessary to have lamplighters. As night began to fall the lamp lighter would take up his task of lighting the street lamps one by one. As he moved along the street, ahead of him was increasing darkness, but always as he made a brief pause a light would spring forth. The lamp lighter carrying a kindling light into the darkness always left behind him a lighted way. Today there is darkness around us. It seems that unbelievers throughout the world are striving to sweep the world of religious beliefs.

The W.C.T.U. is an organisation of light bearers. Are we each in our place letting our light shine here in New Zealand. To banish the darkness of paganism which seems to be fairly manifest in our land?

Are we leaving behind us a lighted way as we pass along?

The love of Christ Who redeemed me from slavery constraineth me to first give myself; then my talents, my service in glad abandon to Him. It is not in order to be His, but, because we are His that we yield up ourselves to His service for ever.

The yielding of ourselves to our master increases both our power and joy in service. There is no room for love of the World here, for Christ fills the heart.

That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons and daughters of God without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation among whom ye shine as lights in the world.

Not love of the world but love for a lost world, shining as lights to lighten the darkness.

My beloved sisters when we give our lives to God, He will use our lives. He may give us humble obscure work to do.

It may seem insignificant to us but God will use that service for His glory. He knows our frailties. That does not make any difference to God. All He asks is that we do the best we know. And He accepts and uses our efforts.

Does this not give us courage to continue in this God-appointed task to save men and women and little children from the demon drink.

Not one effort is lost with such a Saviour stretching forth His hand to hold us fast and that hand drawing us into His plan and purpose, we should have infinite courage to let our light shine.

Light bearers, thank God for the privilege and go forth without fear to work and to pray until death or victory.

God has called us into His service for such a time as this.

I cannot do it alone,

The waves run fast and high,
The fogs close chill around

And the light goes out of the sky,
But I know that we two shall win in
the end—

Jesus and I.

**"THE WHITE RIBBON"
ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1949.**

I have much pleasure in presenting to you my Tenth Annual Report and Balance Sheet. The year has been an exceptionally busy one in that a good deal of time was taken up in making the changeover of the wrappers from handwritten to addressographed. This work was completed in July, but a constant flow of new subscribers and changes of addresses for old ones has meant that this work and the running of the wrappers through the addressograph takes a good deal of time each month. The purchase of stencils was completed on the receipt of two donations, one of £5/5/- from the Wellington District and an anonymous donation of £5 received through the editor. The loan of a typewriter for cutting the stencils was greatly appreciated.

The number of new subscribers gained during the year totals 200, a slight increase on the previous year, and only two-thirds of the number we aimed at. We crossed off 155 names, leaving a net gain in subscribers of 45. Of those crossed off, 33 have passed away, 111 cancelled their subscriptions and 32 were unpaid or untraceable.

The new subscribers in the different districts are:—

South Island	
Marlborough	5
Nelson	5
North Canterbury	39
South Canterbury	16
Otago	13
Southland	2
	80
North Island	
North Auckland	5
Auckland	31
South Auckland	27
Taranaki	10
Hawke's Bay	8
Wanganui	12
Manawatu	5
Wellington	19
Maori Dept.	3
	120

The winner of the Banner for 1949, for the Union with the largest number of new subscribers is Riccarton, with 13.

The "White Ribbon" vase for the Union with the largest number of subscribers to the "White Ribbon" has also been won by the Riccarton Union who have 159 on their list.

The Banner for Unions with under 20 members, having the largest increase in new subscribers, on a percentage basis, has been gained by Warkworth Union.

Beacons. The number sent out varied during the year from 550 in some months to as many as 625 in other months. This is a small increase on

the previous year and shows more interest being taken in this paper for young people.

Y.P. Supplements. 86,610 copies were issued during the year, an increase of 3,060 on the year 1948. We are still selling these at below cost. A much wider distribution would help to lower the cost if we could possibly attain it. There is no other Temperance paper published for children that I know of, and so the opportunity is ours to increase the market for our paper.

I would like to put on record my appreciation of the help given me by the principals and staff of Messrs. Wright & Carman, Ltd., over the years, particularly in dealing with the little problems of production which crop up from time to time.

To Mr. G. A. N. Freeman, too, I wish to express a word of thanks for help and guidance in keeping our book-keeping on sound lines and for his services as Auditor.

Our aim of 300 new "White Ribbon" subscribers per year is a little nearer fulfilment than it was twelve months ago, and we welcome all who have put their names on our mailing list, and pray that many more may be influenced to help us in spreading information and propaganda against the most insidious evil in this country, and in making our official publication, "The White Ribbon," better than ever.

—A. D. GRIGG.

"THE WHITE RIBBON"

**Statement of Accounts
Year ending 31st December, 1949.**

EXPENDITURE	
By—	£ s. d.
Printing and Publishing	608 16 6
Stationery	11 13 2
Postages, Telegrams and Tolls	13 14 5
Painting Competition Prizes	1 16 0
Addressograph Stencils	11 10 0
Typewriter Repairs	11 9
Convention Expenses	11 5 3
Sundries	1 5 6
Honorarium and Soc. Sec. Charges	26 17 6
Bank Charges	18 0
	<u>£688 8 1</u>
BALANCE, Excess Income over Expenditure, year ending 31/12/49	2 16 7
	<u>£691 4 8</u>

RECEIPTS

£ s. d.	
To—	
Subscriptions and Sales	587 18 5
Advertisements	53 16 3
"White Ribbon" Day Fund	36 1 5
Donations	3 3 7
Special Donations (addressograph stencils)	10 5 0
	<u>£691 4 8</u>

Balance Sheet

31st December, 1949.

LIABILITIES	
ACCUMULATED FUND,	£ s. d.
as at 31/12/48	49 13 9
Less am't outstanding, Editor's Petty Cash, 31/12/48	10 10
	<u>49 2 11</u>
Plus Surplus, year ending 31/12/49	2 16 7
	<u>£51 19 6</u>

ASSETS

£ s. d.	
Cash in hand	4 4 11
Cash at Bank of N.Z.	13 4 7
	<u>17 9 6</u>
Typewriter	10 0 0
Desk and Pigeon-holes	9 10 0
Desk (Editor)	15 0 0
	<u>£51 19 6</u>

Audited and found correct.
G. A. N. Freeman,
27/2/50.

Presentation

Mrs. J. H. Grigg

Mrs. J. H. Grigg, who for the past ten years has so efficiently carried out the responsible office of Business Manager to the "White Ribbon," has found it necessary to relinquish this work.

During these years, Mrs. Grigg has rendered outstanding service to the W.C.T.U., and Miss McLay in paying tribute to her work and the valuable contribution she had made, presented her with a silver vase as a small token of the appreciation of members of Convention and the Dominion Officers.

Miss E. M. Appleby has accepted the position of Business Manager and Unions are asked to remember her in prayer as she commences this new work.

It should also be noted that all subscriptions to the "White Ribbon" and all advertisements should be sent to Miss E. M. Appleby,
12 Halston Road,
Balmoral,
Auckland.

MRS. F. J. T. GRIGG

Of 61 Friend St., Karori is prepared to visit Unions in Wellington and within reasonable travelling distance of that city to address them upon "The W.C.T.U. overseas."

Mrs. Grigg's Convention Address will be published in the "White Ribbon" in a series of short articles.

"One of the greatest practical steps the Temperance forces can take at this time is the elimination of liquor advertising."

—Judge Donald E. Long.

RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were passed at the Dominion Convention:—

1. That this Convention urge the Government to provide Temperance Films, to be shown in conjunction with the teaching of the Ethics of Temperance, in Primary and Post Primary Schools.
2. That all children from 8 to 10 years of age from Little White Ribboners' Rolls (C.R.) should receive a card, letter, or some form of recognition, at the discretion of the Unions.
3. That in view of the increase of child delinquency, which police evidence states to be the result of a gangster type of picture on exhibition at picture theatres, and comics on sale at stationers, we urge a much stricter censorship of all films and comics, and the withdrawal of those that lead to delinquency.
4. That in order to make Temperance Sunday interesting for children, the W.C.T.U. should endeavour to procure films which are suitable for them.
5. That fortified or "medicated" wine as sold by chemists should be sold only as a doctor's prescription, wine being like other poisons, harmful in overdoses.
6. That Convention draws the attention of the Government to the fact that there are restrictions preventing young lads from entering hotel bars, for the purposes of selling newspapers, race cards, etc., and would urge that these be enforced.
7. That in the event of a man or woman being concerned in an accident at which it has been proved that indulgence in strong liquors has been a contributing cause, that person should be ordered to take out a prohibition order for three years at least, against himself or herself, irrespective of any other penalties imposed.
8. That more severe penalties be imposed in cases of sexual assault.
9. That believing total abstinence to be a moral and religious question, we would ask that the various denominations be urged to institute a "Commitment Day" as has been done in America, whereby, on a given Sunday, everyone except children under 10 years of age, should be confronted with the definite opportunity and obligation of committing him or herself in the name of Christ to abstinence from the use and serving of alcoholic liquors.
10. That we protest against the publication of an evil form of literature at present in circulation, and beg that the Minister for Internal Affairs, be approached with a view to exposing the utterly anti-Christian expression of modern thought, which is being circulated between the covers of books, whose authors aim at nothing higher than

clever use of apt phrases and descriptive passages, which convey only the lowest in moral standards.

11. That new legislation be brought into force in the selling of contraceptives. The commodity should be sold only by chemists and not over other shop counters or from other dealers as is being done at the present time.
12. That this Convention urges the rigid enforcement of the law, regarding six o'clock closing of hotel bars.
13. That resolutions passed by Dominion Convention be included in the Convention "White Ribbon."
14. That the Government be urged to enforce the licensing law in regard to after-hour drinking in hotels and that the license of houses and that of the licensee so breaking the law, be endorsed.
15. That in view of the seriousness of drinking among very young people, the law regarding the serving of minors, be rigidly enforced, as too frequently minors are before the Court for drunkenness.
16. That the Government be requested to cater for that part of the nation, which at present derives no benefit from the viticultural section of the Department of Agriculture by providing from its resources, pure, unfermented grape juice for use as a beverage.
17. That this Convention urges that when a person is convicted of (a) negligent driving; (b) of being intoxicated while in charge of a motor vehicle, the penalty shall not be less than thirty-six (36) hours of imprisonment.
18. That this Convention urges the enforcement of the regulations by the conductor, prohibiting smoking in the front of trams and buses.
19. That this Convention ask the Minister of Education to have published in the "Education Gazette," as soon as possible, the regulations governing selling on streets or from door to door by children, particularly the statute relating to the selling of raffle and art union tickets.
20. That the Corresponding Secretary write to the Minister of Civil Aviation, as to the regulations regarding consumption of alcoholic liquor by Pilot Officers.
21. That this Convention views with concern the holding of camps and picnics on race-course grounds, by some Churches and Bible Classes.
22. That in view of the dissatisfaction expressed by many Maoris and social workers, about the new legislation concerning the sale of liquor to the Maoris, the Government be urged to call a conference of Maori leaders, and social welfare workers, to discuss this matter.
23. That where a man is arrested and known to be implicated in the cause of a serious accident, due to the consumption of alcoholic liquor, his name should not be suppressed.

Bulletin of Union News

AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Remuera, Feb. 27th. Held at President's home, with Mrs Laird presiding. Devotions—Temperance Fact given. Spray and good wishes to Mrs. Kasper. C.R. Party to be held March 25th. Afternoon tea. Benediction. Thanks to hostess expressed.

Wellsford, Feb. 28th. President in chair. Devotions Mrs. Browne. Frances Willard Day observed. Collection Missionary Fund. Remits discussed. C.R. Party to be held in April. Bring and Buy.

HAWKES BAY DISTRICT

Hastings, Feb. 23rd. Mrs. Pitt appointed Convention Delegate. Two members N.Z. Alliance standing for Licensing Committee. Mrs. Sharp gave inspiring address on Frances Willard. Solos by Mrs. Burns. Farewell to retiring President Mrs. Smith who leaves shortly for a holiday in South Africa.

TARANAKI DISTRICT

New Plymouth, Feb. 22nd. President presided. Devotions—Parable of the Loaves and Fishes. Extracts read from letter of former president, Mrs. Stewart. Result of Garden Party, £7/4/6. Gifts for Seamen's Rest gratefully acknowledged. Report of N.C.W. given by Miss Pedersen. Items given by Mrs. Symonds and Mrs. Brown.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Spreydon, Feb. 14th. President led devotions. Reports of Concert at Women's Reformatory, and Mental Hospital visiting. Temperance Film Evening to be arranged with Boys' Brigade as guests. Results temperance Quiz Addington School: Girls, 1st, Merle Harbison; 2nd, Vivienne Parton. Boys, 1st, Bernard Hill; 2nd, Malcolm Fraer.

Riccarton. First meeting 1950 good attendance. President gave talk on Doors of Opportunity. Frances Willard Day observed. Remits well discussed. One new member.

Woolston, Feb. Mrs. Hight in chair and led devotions. Report of Band of Hope break-up. Mrs. Lewis delegate to Dominion Convention. Mrs. Carrington appointed Vice-President. Remits discussed. Collection. Bring and Buy.

Sydenham, Feb. 2nd. President in chair. Devotion led by Mrs. Davies. Sympathy extended to relatives of late Mrs. Wells, an ardent worker. Mrs. Stokes Convention Delegate.

North Brighton, Feb. 21st. Mrs. Noonan presiding. Devotions taken by Mrs. McIlraith. Frances Willard Day observed. Mrs. Goldman warmly welcomed after serious illness. Two new members initiated. Band of Hope to be recommenced. Superintendents were appointed as follows: Devotional, Philanthropic and Press, Mrs. McIlraith; Flower and Tea Services, Mrs. Pepperell and Mrs. Aston; Band of Hope, Mrs. Noonan; Organist, Mrs. Goldman; Sick Visitors, Mrs. Lord and Mrs. Oxley.

Y.P. SUPPLEMENT

Would Unions please note that in order to meet the rising costs of printing, it has been found necessary to increase the cost to 3/- per hundred.

FIVE YEAR PLAN RETURNS

Reports covering the period October to April should reach the Acting Editor not later than the 12th April. Note 12th not 15th please.

WORLD'S CONVENTION

The World's Convention is being held at Hastings, England, from June 3rd to 10th, 1950. Delegates from New Zealand will be Miss V. Jackson of Masterton and Mrs. Pitt of Hastings. Mrs. Kasper, J.P. and Mrs. Christian, who will be attending the Convention, have seats in their own right.

Visitors from New Zealand to the World Convention will include Mrs. H. Patterson of Wellington and Mrs. Purser of Upper Hutt.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT EXECUTIVE, 1st Monday, at 1.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. F. Mountjoy, 78 Quadrant Road, Onehunga, S.E.5; Vice-Pres., Mrs. J. Long, Bute Road, Brown's Bay, Auckland; Cor. Sec., Mrs. W. I. Cullen, 8 Taiere Terrace, Onehunga; Rec. Sec., Mrs. J. Joner, 92 Lincoln Road, Pousonby, W.1; Treas., Mrs. Prussing, 1 Campbell Road, Takapuna, N.2.

ARAMOHO, St. David's Church, 2.15 p.m., last Thursday. Pres., Mrs. E. Chesswas, 7 Feild St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. A. Greig; Cor. Sec., Mrs. A. Gilmour, 2 Paterson St.; Treas., Mrs. H. Good, 2A Paterson St.; W.R., Mrs. Suddaby, 20 Cumbra Place.

ASHBURTON, 3rd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist School Hall. Pres., Miss E. M. West, 139 Aitken St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. G. Holmes, 78 Chalmers Ave.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. E. Harwood, 12 Alford Forest Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Pierce, 195 East St.; W.R., Mrs. Thompson, Tancred St.

AUCKLAND, 2.15 p.m., 2nd Tuesday, in Y.W.C.A., Upper Queen St. Pres., Mrs. J. Long, Bute Rd., Brown's Bay, Auckland; Cor. Sec., Miss Dewar, 4 Pompallier Tce., Pousonby, W.1; Rec. Sec., Mrs. W. Doull, 28 Ngatiawa St., Onehunga, S.E.5; Treas., Mrs. F. E. Swan, 18 Maungarei Rd., Remuera, S.E.2; W.R., Mrs. Holmes, 100 Arney Rd., Remuera, S.E.2.

BIRKENHEAD, 3rd Tuesday, Zion Hill Hall, 1.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Wanhill; Sec., Mrs. Utting, 26 Wairoa Ave.; Treas., Mrs. N. Wilson, Ocean View Road; W.R., Mrs. Skentelbery, Zion Road.

BLENHEIM, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs. N. Forbes, 9 Grady St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. P. A. Stephens, Howick Rd.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. R. Watson, 4 Weld St.; Treas., Mrs. C. Webster, 33 Arthur St.; W.R., Mrs. W. J. Girling, Stephenson St.

BROOKLYN, Methodist Hall, last Tuesday, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Brewer; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Jordan; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Sawden, 16 Todman St.; W.R., Mrs. Pearce; Treas., Mrs. Gittings; C.R., Mrs. Gillings.

BRYNDWR, Christchurch, 4th Tues., St. John's Church. Pres., Mrs. Pattison; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Kelly; Sec., Mrs. E. R. Clarke, 39 Burnside Road, Fendalton; Treas. and W.R., Mrs. R. Pugh, 65 Hartley Ave., Papanui.

CHRISTCHURCH, W.C.T.U. Rooms, cnr. Chancery Lane and Cathedral Square, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss C. E. Henderson, J.P., 15 Menzies St., Summer; Hon. Sec. —; Treas., Miss M. B. Lovell-Smith, 305 Riccarton Rd., W.2; W.R., Mrs. Neutze, 122 Aikman's Rd., Merivale.

CARTERTON, 1st Wednesday, in S.A. Barracks, 2.30 p.m. Pres., —; Sec., Mrs. Hunt, Park Road; Treas. and C.R., Miss Edwards; W.R. Miss Birstow, Clareville; Devotions, Mrs. Every.

CAMBRIDGE, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Kemsley; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Bycroft and Holmes; Sec., Mrs. A. L. Lewis, 64 Clare St.; Treas., Mrs. W. Hooker, 60 Queen St.; W.R., Mrs. Burt, Queen St.

DARGAVILLE, 2nd Tues., Presbyterian Hall, 2.15 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Jolly, Victoria St.; Sec., Mrs. F. T. Moorhead, P.O. Box 2; Treas., Mrs. S. Phillips, Awakino Pt.; W.R., Miss Carrington, Maungawahare.

DANNEVIRKE, 2nd Tues., Methodist Schoolroom, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Major Calcott; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Paviour Smith and Miss W. Thompson; Rec. Sec., Mrs. J. S. Holm, 27 Swinburn St.; Treas., Mrs. P. Turner; Cor. Sec., Miss Thompson; W.R., Mrs. Fryer.

DEVONPORT, 2nd Monday, at 2.0 p.m. in Congregational Church. Pres., Mrs. A. V. Harris; Sec., Mrs. G. F. Day, 27 Hinemoa Ave.; Treas., Mrs. S. Wrack, 42 Hinemoa Ave.

DUNEDIN CENTRAL, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Baptist Sunday School, Hanover St. Pres., Mrs. J. Hiett, 11 Duke St.; Cor. Sec., Miss Farquhar, 4a Duke St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Jackson, 34 Cannington Rd., Maori Hill; Treas., —; W.R., Mrs. Graham, 4 Dundas St.; L.W.R., Mrs. Whittington, 7 Cargill St., Dunedin.

DUNEDIN SOUTH, 4th Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Wesley Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Rippin; Sec., Mrs. Dow, 37 Cavell St., Tainui; Treas., Mrs. Graham, 32 Sidey St., Caversham; W.R., Mrs. Madigan, 155 Valley Road, Caversham.

ELTHAM, 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. A. Towers, Mabey St.; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. F. E. Holley, 9 Bath St.; W.R., Mrs. Streeter, 8 London St.; C.R., Mrs. Beal, London St.

EDEN, 4th Tuesday, Walter's Rd. Church of Christ. Pres. Mrs. V. A. Read, 73a Symonds St., City; Sec., Mrs. G. W. A. Clark, 129 Balmoral Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Corr, 65 First Ave., Kingsland; W.R., Miss Baldock.

FENCOURT, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m. in Sunday School Hall. Pres., Mrs. J. Clark, Matangi; Rec. Sec., Miss O. Clark; Cor. Sec., Mrs. W. T. Beer, Victoria Road, R.D. Cambridge; Treas., Miss L. Clark; W.R., Miss P. Rickard; C.R., Miss M. Clark.

FEILDING, 1st Wednesday, St. Paul's Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., —; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Spence, Taylor and Stewart; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Whisker, Kawa Kawa Rd.; C.R., Mrs. Cleland, Makino Rd.; W.R., Miss Watt, Grey St.

GISBORNE, 4th Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. V. Clement; Sec., Mrs. Wallen, 493 Aberdeen Road; Treas., Mrs. Coles, 8 Mangapapa Road; C.R., Mrs. Stockman; W.R., Mrs. Mackintosh, 1 Salisbury Road.

GORE, 4th Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., St. Andrew's Hall. Pres., Mrs. E. G. Wilson, Lewis St.; Treas., Mrs. D. McAskill, Halton St.; Sec., Mrs. C. S. Rose, Onslow St.; C.R., Mrs. D. Dodds, 18 Mary St.; W.R., Mrs. A. M. Duthie, P.O. Box 81.

GONVILLE, 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in Knox Presbyterian Hall. Pres., Mrs. T. R. Clancey; Sec., Miss Roots, 27 May S.; Treas., Mrs. Spurdle, 47 Kawatiri Ave.; W.R., Mrs. Parker, 35 Koromiko Rd.

HAMILTON, 1st Thursday, in St. Paul's Parlour, London St. Pres., Mrs. M. E. Moore, 4 Piako Rd.; Sec., Mrs. M. E. Buick, 18 Wye St., Frankton; Treas., Mrs. N. Hood, 7 Taniwha St., Frankton; W.R., Mrs. Bradley, 15 Bell St., Claudelands; C.R., Mrs. G. Bryant, Ranfurly Ave., Hamilton.

HENDERSON, 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs. E. V. Phillips, Metcalfe Road; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Leman, Tirimoana Road; W.R., Mrs. Johnson; C.R. and Evang., Mrs. E. V. Phillips.

HAWERA, last Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., in Methodist Bible Class room. Pres., Mrs. Hayward, 15 Caledonia St.; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Barron, 96 Collins St.; W.R., Mrs. Page, 12 Tawhiti Road, Noiantown; C.R., Mrs. Burton, 6 Tawhiti Road, Nolantown; Seamen's Work, Mrs. Tozer, South Road.

HASTINGS, 4th Thursday, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Hall. Pres., Mrs. A. M. Smith, 102 Townsend St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. A. G. Pitt, 636 Victoria St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Hagerston, Maddison St.; Treas., Mrs. H. Grainger, 612 Grey St.; W.R., Mrs. Buckingham, 508 St. Aubyn St. E.

HOKITIKA, 3rd Wednesday, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Hall. Pres., Miss Potts, Park St.; Sec., Miss L. Berendt, Weld St.; Treas., Mrs. S. Preston, Rolleston St.; W.R., Mrs. Stoop, Fitzherbert St.

INGLEWOOD, 4th Wednesday, in Methodist Hall, 2.15 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Gordon, Rata St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Clough; Sec., Mrs. Arthur, Brown St.; Treas. and W.R., Miss Pollard; C.R., Mrs. Pollard.

INVERCARGILL CENTRAL, 1st Wednesday, Central Methodist Hall, Jed St., at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss H. Jamieson, 57 Layard St.; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames E. M. Brown and J. B. Cameron; Sec., Mrs. J. M. Watson, 14 Mitchell St.; Treas., Mrs. J. H. Boyd, 43 Elles Road Nth; W.R., Mrs. J. B. Cameron, 33 McMaster St.

INVERCARGILL NORTH, 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian Sunday School. Pres. and W.R., Mrs. F. W. Jelcoate, 289 Elles Rd.; Sec., Mrs. F. Rumber, 46 Lees St.; Treas., Mrs. N. Henderson; C.R., Mrs. R. T. Harris.

INVERCARGILL SOUTH, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in W.C.T.U. Hall, Grace St. Pres., Mrs. E. L. Richards, 16 Roy St. Vice-Pres., Mesdames Cole, Richards and Lea. Cor. Sec., Mrs. Reidy, 53 Teviot St. Treas., Miss Griffiths, 235 Crinao St. W.R., Miss L. Aitken. C.R., Mrs. Crozier. Maori Supt., Mrs. J. Richards. Evangel. Mesdames Richards and Beckham. Notable Days, Miss J. McCallum. Musical, Mrs. Lea.

JOHNSONVILLE, 2nd Tuesday, 2 p.m., in Presbyterian Sunday School. Pres., Mrs. McBride, Main Rd. Sec., Miss I. Mitchell, 134 Nicholson Rd., Khandallah, N.5; Treas., Mrs. H. Johnson, Petherick Cres.; W.R. and C.R., Mrs. Davis, Burgess Rd.

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.

KARORI, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Members' homes. Pres., Mrs. F. J. T. Grigg, 61 Friend St.; Sec., Mrs. Johnson, 2 Shirley St.; Treas., Mrs. R. Watchman, 78 Campbell St.; W.R., Mrs. Horne, 12 Scapa Tce.

LEVIN, 2nd Friday, 2.30 p.m., in Salvation Army Hall. Pres., Mrs. Kennerley; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Andricksen, Oxford St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. N. Plaster; Treas., Mrs. Burnham, Oxford St. Nth.; C.R., Mrs. V. Hudson; W.R., Mrs. Storey.

LINWOOD, last Tuesday, in Baptist Hall. Pres., Mrs. H. Graham, 634 Worcester St. Sec., Mrs. R. Black, 42 Cranley St. Treas., Mrs. McMillan, 393 Armagh St. W.R., Mrs. A. Fuller, 20 Buckley Rd.

LOWER HUTT, Wesley Infant Schoolroom, Laing's Rd., 2.0 p.m., 4th Wednesday. Pres., Mrs. Spencer, "Chingford," Belmont; Cor. Sec., Mrs. R. Aldersley, 22 Brunswick St.; Treas., Mrs. J. P. Cooper, 27 Maire St.; C.R., Mrs. Aldersley; Devotional, Mrs. Swift; Birthday League, Mrs. Cooper; W.R., Mrs. Heyes, Melling Rd., and Mrs. Teasdale, Kauri St.

MT. ALBERT, 2nd Thursday, Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. Anstice; Sec., Mrs. Glaister, 9 Summit Drive; Treas., Miss McGregor, 11 Eflon Road, Mt. Eden, S.2; W.R., Miss Shepherd; C.R., Miss Blomfield.

MT. EDEN, 1st Tuesday, 2.0 p.m., Methodist B.C. Room. Pres., Mrs. Warring, 13 Poronui Street, Mt. Eden; Sec., —; Treas., —; W.R., Mrs. Pickering; C.R., Miss McKinney.

MASTERTON, McLennan Hall, Knox Church, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. H. Speight, 7 Johnstone St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Vennell; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Kitchener, 47 Work-sop Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Hoare; W.R., Mrs. C. Sims.

MAUNGATUROTO, 2nd Wednesday. Pres., Mrs. H. Flower; Acting Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Brock; C.R., Mrs. V. Knightbridge; Birthday League, Mrs. T. Knightbridge; W.R. and Temperance Fact, Mrs. Brock.

MORNINGTON, 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian Hall, Glen Ave. Pres., Mrs. Tipler; Sec., Mrs. Clark, 10 Roseberry St., Belleknoves; Treas., Miss Ford, 29 Burke St., Mornington; W.R., Mrs. Elder, 21 Preston Cres., Belleknoves.

MOSGIEL, Presbyterian Hall, 2.30 p.m., 3rd Thursday, Feb., May, Aug. and Nov. Acting Hon. Sec. and Treas., Mrs. A. E. Osborne, 23 Factory Road.

MOTUEKA, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., at Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. B. Carter, Queen Victoria St.; Sec., Mrs. Geo. Lunn, Staples St.; Treas., Mrs. E. Wratt, Whakarewa St.; W.R., Mrs. Cresswell; C.R., Miss Holdaway.

NAPIER, 3rd Tuesday, 2.15 p.m. Pres., Mrs. P. Lewis; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Donnelly and Ryan; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Atherfold, 21 Colenso St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. R. G. Martin, 194 Wesley Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Thomson, 40 Vigor Brown St.; W.R., Miss L. Ennor, 62 Georges Drive; C.R., Mrs. Donnelly, 3 Lawrence Road.

NELSON, 2nd Tuesday, Burrough House, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Toomer, Songer St., Stoke; Sec., Mrs. F. T. Doel, 5 Mt. Pleasant Ave., Tahunanui; W.R., Mrs. Keeble, 65 Victoria Cres.; W.R. Reporter, Mrs. C. I. Kidson, 8 Whitby Rd.; C.R., Mrs. Neal.

NEW BRIGHTON, 1st Thursday, 2.15 p.m. in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Edmond; Sec., Mrs. Ellis, 79 Arncliffe St.; Treas. and W.R., Mrs. F. Mitchell, 111 Lonsdale St.; C.R., Mrs. McIlroy.

NEW PLYMOUTH, last Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in Whiteley Hall. Pres., Mrs. E. Stewart, 22 Weymouth St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Wood, 2 Cutfield St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Oliver, Mt. Edgecumbe Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Morwood, Leach St.; W.R., Mrs. Brown, 38 Dorset Ave.; Seamen's Rest, Pres., Mrs. T. Hurrell, Barring Tce.; Sec., Miss G. Petersen, 18 Woolcombe Tce.

NORTH-EAST VALLEY, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Young Men's Institute. Pres., Mrs. Peart, 860 George St.; Sec., Miss Gibbs, 118 North Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Johnson, 1 Bouverie St.; W.R., Mrs. McLay, 24 Black's Rd., N.E.1.

OAMARU, Wesley Hall, Eden St., 2.30 p.m., 2nd Monday. Pres., Mrs. Daniel, 22 Till St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Cawley and Rawson and Miss Cowan; Sec., Mrs. McIlwraith, 10 Till St.; Treas., Mrs. McWhirter, 30 Rother St.; W.R., Mrs. J. J. Clarke, 11 Tamar St.; C.R., Mrs. Poole, 24 Torridge St.

ONEHUNGA, 2nd Thursday, 2 p.m., Methodist Hall, Grey St. Pres., Mrs. F. W. Mountjoy; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Stacey and Mudgett and Miss Caughley; Sec., Mrs. W. Cullen, 8 Taieri Tce.; Treas., Mrs. A. Fordyce; W.R. and Home Meetings, Mrs. C. Ashton; C.R., Miss Caughley; Evangelistic, Miss H. Grigg; L.T.L., Mrs. Moore; Press, Mrs. Mudgett.

OXFORD, 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in Coronation Hall. Pres., Mrs. N. Fisher, Carlton; Sec., Mrs. L. Jones, West Oxford; Treas., Mrs. Weston, Baptist Manse, High St.; W.R., Mrs. E. Magrath; Evang., Mrs. N. Dalley; Notable Days, Mrs. Comyns.

OTAHUHU, 3rd Thursday, 2 p.m., in Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. H. B. Hughes, Vine St., Mangere; Vice-Pres., Mesdames E. J. Mears and M. Hall; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Beaumont, 5 Fairburn Rd.; W.R., Mrs. Jamison, 59 Walmsley Rd.

OTOROHANGA, 4th Friday, in Methodist Church, at 1.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. C. Kenny; Vice-Pres., Mesdames C. Rogers and Hall; Sec., Miss N. Rogers, Kio Kio R.D.; Treas., Mrs. J. C. Clark, Main South Rd.; Seamen's Work, Mrs. Wharanui.

OPAWA, 3rd Tuesday, Baptist Church. Pres., Miss E. M. Gainsford; Sec., Mrs. Campbell, 31 Allen St., C.I.; Treas., Mrs. Atkins, 100 Chester St., C.I.; W.R., Mrs. Patrick, 32 Buffon St., Waltham; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Jenkins and Ewart Smith.

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.

PALMERSTON NORTH, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Baptist Hall. Pres., Miss C. Jamieson, 70 Albert St.; Cor. Sec., Miss M. Sutherland, 69 Marne St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Claridge; Treas., Mrs. Cobb, 32 Ashley St.; W.R., Mrs. Coles, 45 Albert St.

PAPATOETOE, 3rd Wednesday, 2 p.m., Methodist Hall, Kolmar Road. Pres., Mrs. Knaut, Maunu Road; Vice-Pres., Miss Kimpston; Sec., Mrs. Mollard, Allenby Road; Treas., Miss T. Heaven; W.R., Mrs. Harris.

PICTON, meets 2nd Tuesday, Methodist S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. E. Millen, Durham St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. J. T. Tennent; Sec., Mrs. J. Martien, Kent St.; Treas., Mrs. V. Kirken, Buller St.; W.R., Mrs. J. Martien; Band of Hope and "Y" Supt., Mrs. H. Powell.

PORT CHALMERS, 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Quarterly in Members' homes. Pres., Capt. G. Winwood; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. J. B. Chambers, Wickliffe Tce.; W.R., Mrs. Taylor; C.R., Mrs. Mirams.

PONSONBY, 3rd Thursday, St. John's Ladies' Guild Room, at 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. W. Clarke, 85 Norfolk St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames B. Woods and Hambly and Sister Jessie; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. B. Christopher, 120A Williamson Ave., Grey Lynn; Devotional, Miss E. Appleby; Maori, Sister Jessie; Temperance Fact, Miss Runciman; W.R., Mrs. B. Woods.

PUKEKOHE, 2.30 p.m., 1st Tuesday, in alternate Churches. Pres., Mrs. Curnow, Prospect Tce.; Sec., Mrs. Thornton, Ward St.; Treas., Mrs. Jackson, Franklin Rd.; C.R., Mrs. Clayton.

REEFTON, 2nd Thursday, 3.0 p.m., Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs. Thompson; Acting Sec., Treas., and W.R. Agent, Mrs. Gilmour, Buller Road.

RAETIHI, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs. W. H. Sandford; Sec., Miss G. Scarrow; Treas., Mrs. J. Seerup; W.R., Mrs. W. H. Scarrow; C.R., Mrs. McLean.

RANGIORA, last Friday, Methodist Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Hodges, 204 King St.; Sec., Mrs. A. J. Smith, 14 Albert St.; Treas., Mrs. Stan Watkins, Southbrook; C.R., Mrs. Hunt, 50 Newnham St.; W.R., Mrs. James, Percival St.

RICHMOND (Nelson), 3rd Tuesday, at 2.30 p.m., at Baptist Church. Pres., Miss Dyson, "Althorpe"; Sec., Mrs. W. Houston, Hill St.; Treas., Miss L. Andrews, William St.; W.R., Mrs. Gill, Dorset Street.

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT EXECUTIVE, 2nd Monday, 2.30 p.m., in Women's Rest Room. Pres., Miss V. A. Jamieson; Vice-Pres., Mrs. J. Taylor; Rec. Sec., Mrs. M. Ruthven, Tay St.; Treas., Miss C. Griffiths, 235 Colman St., Invercargill.

SYDENHAM, 1st Thursday, Baptist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. J. Filer; Sec., Mrs. W. E. Drewett, 63 Roker St., S.W.1; Treas., Mrs. Seivers; W.R., Mrs. E. Rogers, 37 Thackeray St., Waltham; C.R., Mrs. Garlick.

TAURANGA, 1st Tuesday, 2.0 p.m., in Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. A. A. Bensley; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Christian, Bulmer, Foxcroft, Williamson and Home; Sec., Mrs. Clarkson; Treas., Mrs. Maunder, 127 Hunter St.; W.R., Mrs. Foxcroft, 67 Cameron St.

TAKAPUNA, 1st Wednesday, in Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. Morgan Richards; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Winstone and Petchell; Sec., Mrs. Prussing, 1 Campbell Rd.; Treas., Miss Prussing, 1 Campbell Rd.; W.R., Mrs. T. H. Kelsey, 18 Sydney St.; Evang., Miss Cullen; Maori, Mrs. Petchell; C.R., Mrs. Winstone; Backblocks, Mrs. Morgan Richards; Temperance Fact, Mesdames Tremain and Wallace.

TEMUKA, last Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in S.A. Hall, Wood St. Pres., Mrs. W. Hewson; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Grocott; Sec., Mrs. E. Butler, 30 Hayhurst St.; Treas., Mrs. Capt. Harford; C.R. and W.R., Mrs. Allanby.

TE AWAMUTU, 3rd Thursday, Presbyterian Hall, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. W. Alexander; Sec., Mrs. Anderson, Mahoe St.; Treas., Mrs. E. L. Purdie, Wynyard St.; W.R., Mrs. W. J. Thompson; C.R., Mrs. Poolman.

TE KOPURU, 3rd Thursday, in Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. H. O. Bickers; Sec., Mrs. A. J. Wordsworth, P.O. Box 58; Treas., Mrs. Soole; W.R., Miss F. Wordsworth; Temp. Fact, Mrs. H. Taylor.

TE KUITI, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs. Stratford; Vice-Pres., Mrs. J. Woolford; Sec., Mrs. Bruce, Esplanade; Treas., Mrs. Scown, A906 Te Kuni Rd.; W.R., Mrs. Coyle; C.R., Mesdames Christensen and Smith.

TE KUITI MAORI, 2nd Friday, 1.0 p.m., at Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs. A. Joseph; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Kukutai and McNaught; Sec., Mrs. E. Korohcke, Waiteti Viaduct; Treas., Mrs. M. Joseph, P.O. Box 141; Evang. Supt., Mrs. M. Hose; C.R., Mrs. M. Hynes; Seamen's, Mrs. Ormsby; Backblocks and Visitor, Mrs. R. Ewan; W.R., Mrs. K. Weter.

THAMES, 1st Wednesday, Mackay St. Schoolroom, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Paul; Sec., Mrs. Gooder, Pollen St.; Treas., Mrs. G. Martin, Queen St., Nth.; W.R., Mrs. Whiteside, Karaka Rd.; C.R., Mrs. Riley, Karaka Rd.

TIMARU, last Tuesday at 2.15 p.m. in Sailors' Rest. Pres., Mrs. T. E. Holdgate; Rec. Sec., Mrs. S. Dellow, 22 Guinness St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. J. Hutton, 11 Sarah St.; Treas., Mrs. K. Newlands, 45 Avenue Rd.; W.R., Mrs. Howe; C.R., Miss Arras; Seamen's Rest, Mrs. N. Dickinson, 7 Chalmers Ave.

TINWALD, 4th Thursday, Presbyterian Church Hall, at 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Millar; Sec., Mrs. Oakley, 156 Victoria St., Ashburton; Treas., Mrs. Harkness, McMurdo St.; W.R., Mrs. Millar; C.R., Mesdames Millar and Hopwood.

UPPER HUTT, 4th Monday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian and Methodist Churches alternately. Pres., Mrs. Kent; Sec., Mrs. Ross, Martin St.

WAIMATE, 2nd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in Knox Hall. Pres., Mrs. Duckett, Mary St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Simpson, Kippenberger, Stark and Griffiths; Sec., Mrs. C. Mills, 60 Belt St.; Treas., Miss S. Hayman, Willowbridge; W.R., Mrs. Tooley, 8 Grace St.; C.R., Miss P. Tooley and Major Pinnell.

WAIPIKURAU, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Hall. Pres., Miss Bibby, Rose St., Waipawa.

WAIROA, H.B., 2nd Tuesday, at 2.0 p.m. in St. Andrew's Hall. Pres., Mrs. E. Haughton; Vice-Pres., Mesdames McDonald and Wheeler; Sec., Mrs. H. Brocklehurst, 108 Lahore St.; Treas., Mrs. Aldridge; C.R., Mrs. D. McIntyre; W.R., Mrs. Edlington.

WANGANUI CENTRAL, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in Trinity Church Parlour. Pres., Mrs. A. Duxfield, Okaia; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Goodey and F. Parker; Cor. Sec., Mrs. R. Wilson, 145 Glasgow St.; Rec. Sec., Miss B. E. Wadsworth; Treas., Mrs. M. C. Ogg, 21 Maxwell Ave., Durie Hill; W.R., Miss V. Kendall, 133 Harrison St.; C.R., Miss V. Kendall.

WANGANUI EAST, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in St. Albans Hall. Pres., Mrs. Robb; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Day; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Jones; Treas., Miss V. Jarvis, 38 No. 3 Line; W.R., Mrs. Ogier; C.R., Mrs. Conybeer; L.T.L., Mrs. A. Jarvis.

WARKWORTH, 3rd Wednesday, 2 p.m., in Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs. R. V. Moore; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Bartle and Thompson; Sec., Mrs. H. A. Torkington, R.D., Mahurangi Heads, Warkworth; Treas., Miss J. Martin; W.R., Mrs. C. H. Rowe.

WELLINGTON, 2nd Wednesday, 2.15 p.m. at Headquarters. Pres., Miss C. E. Kirk, J.P.; Sec., Miss E. A. Brooks, c/o 8 Melbourne Road, S.2; Treas. and W.R., —.

WELLINGTON CENTRAL, 3rd Wednesday, 2.0 p.m., Boardroom, Y.M.C.A., Willis St. Pres., Mrs. Sired, 29 Maida Vale Rd., E.1; Sec., Mrs. R. I. Andrew, 30 Fairview Cres., W.1; Treas. and W.R., Mrs. Parrant, 40 Nottingham St., Karori; C.E., Mrs. McGowan.

WELLSFORD, 4th Tuesday, 2 p.m. Pres. and Treas., Mrs. E. V. Singleton, Mangawai; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Fordyce and D. Browne; Sec., Mrs. A. Gubb, Port Albert; W.R., Mrs. A. Powell; C.R., Mrs. A. Powell, Te Hana, and Mrs. J. E. Thompson, Port Albert.

WHANGAREI, 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m. in Methodist Hall. Pres. and C.A., Mrs. T. P. Lane, 8 Dinniss Ave.; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. W. N. Hills, 10 Norfolk St.; W.R., Mrs. Goodall, 8 Dinniss Ave.; C.R., Mrs. A. Green, 92 Kamo Road.

WINTON, 3rd Tuesday, every 2nd month, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. T. A. Thomson, Section 2, Otahuti K.D., Invercargill; Sec., Miss H. Clement, Great North Road; Treas., Mrs. J. Bromley, Park Street; W.R., Mrs. McKenzie; C.R., Mrs. Dixon.