

Pan-Pacific Women's Association

We wish to remind our readers of the Conference to be held in Christchurch from the 11th to the 25th January, 1952. It is probable that delegates will be present from U.S.A. and Canada, Hawaii, India, Pakistan, Japan, Tahiti, the Philippines, Western Samoa, New Caledonia and Australia. The President and chairman, Miss Josephine Schain, lawyer and social worker of New York, has already left U.S.A. by freighter to visit Pacific countries en route to New Zealand.

The leader of the American delegation, Mrs. Henry C. Fowler, attended a UNESCO Conference at Florence last year and already this year has been to conferences in Greece and Turkey. In Turkey she met women from the Arab States, Israel and Afghanistan, and after the Conference paid a visit to Israel, which she described as "a wonderful experiment in modern pioneering."

Papers are being prepared by specialists on the actual status of negro women in education, teaching, business and the professions generally. The Christchurch Locality Committee has been busy arranging for the accommodation of delegates in lecture halls and rooms for forums and discussion groups.

Any woman can join the P.P.W.A. as a private member for a subscription of five shillings per annum, and for this receives the minutes, notices, etc. Any woman can apply for a season ticket to the Conference for a subscription of one guinea. This will admit the ticket holder to all sessions, except those reserved for purely business meetings or solely for delegates. Application for season tickets should be addressed to: The Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. K. Moore, 24F, Portland Crescent, Wellington.

The theme of the Conference will be "The Pacific in Today's World" and will be considered under the headings Status of Women, Education, Economic Interdependence, Social Conditions and Political Unrest.

The last session will be devoted to discussion on "Our Responsibility as Women in Relation to Social Conditions."

Report by Mrs. F. J. T. Grigg (W.C.T.U. representative on P.P.W.A. Dominion Executive).

LETTER FROM CHIEF POSTMASTER

LITERATURE TO SEAMEN'S RESTS

Chief Post Office,
Wellington,
7th May, 1951.

The Secretary,
Wellington District Executive,
Women's Christian Temperance Union.
Dear Madam,

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Within The Veil

MRS. ARTHUR, ST. ALBANS

On May the 24th we heard of the passing of our loved member, Mrs. Arthur, following a long and trying illness, borne with patience and heroism, revealing a spirit in close fellowship with her Redeemer.

Mrs. Arthur was a foundation member of our Union, loyal and devoted, and for some time she was our White Ribbon agent.

She was truly of the "understanding heart" and those visiting her were blessed by her cheerfulness and fortitude during five weary years of illness. After a long life of service for God, Home and Humanity, she has entered into her well-earned rest.

To the bereaved ones we extend deep and heartfelt sympathy.

MRS. J. H. WILLSON, PALMERSTON NORTH

One of our most valued members passed away on July 3rd in the person of Mrs. Willson. A member for many years, she had had her W.R. bow pinned on by Mrs. Lee-Cowie. Her last gracious act was to make scones and pikelets for the W.C.T.U. on the day of her death. She had sent them along, but sudden illness prevented her attendance and she passed away that evening.

She had expressed a wish that at her funeral the first verse and chorus of the hymn "Blessed Assurance" might be sung or recited, as giving her own religious experience.

"Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine,
O what a foretaste of glory divine.
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Saviour all the day long."

A vice-president of our Union, she loved the work of the W.C.T.U. and had always been ready to take part in devotions or discussions or to act as tea hostess. She will now be able to praise her Saviour in a fuller and better way than she could here.

WELLINGTON CENTRAL UNION

Wellington Central Union has suffered a great loss in the passing away of several members recently: **Mrs. Jessie Cullen, Mrs. A. Davidson and Mrs. Israel**. These members were all devoted workers and we deeply mourn their loss and pray that more women will feel the urge to take up this important work.

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Yours faithfully,

(Signed) T. F. THORNTON,
Chief Postmaster.