

A PAGE FOR Y's.

"It is glorious to man a lifeboat, but better still to build a lighthouse."

Keep a Quick Step All the Year.

(From the "Union Signal's" Y.P.B. Secretary, Ill.)

The month of April has come and gone, and we are now awaiting the "returns." Already many "Birthday Post Cards," telling of the splendid efforts put forth by as many loyal members of the branch, have reached my desk, all giving evidences of the onward march of our young people. At the Conference of State Y.P.B. Secretaries in Atlanta last fall, the only question which arose in regard to a special campaign and membership was this: "Will it be apt to confine all efforts to that one month, dampen the enthusiasm for the months that follow, and thwart the efforts of the preceding months?" This question was discussed pro and con, and April, by a majority vote, was again declared the Y.P.B. campaign month, because all concerned had sufficient confidence in the rank and file of the Young People's Branch to believe that their enthusiasm for our cause was too great to be limited, and they could be trusted to make an extraordinary effort during April without detriment to the other months of the year.

Surely the splendid reinforcement of our ranks, and the work done in the name of National Constitutional Prohibition will prove a mighty impetus to press on and on, even during the heated term. Let me urge you here and now that if any Branch contemplates a vacation during the summer months (I say "vacation" as, of course, none will want to disband), that it be not a complete cessation from effort, but merely a change of plan. Instead of working collectively, as during the winter, work individually. In other words, secure the pledge of members that they will adopt a definite plan of activity for themselves during vacation days, and carry it out; that wherever they go they will carry the gospel of temperance, seek to interest others in our organisation, distribute literature, and aim to further equip themselves by reading and studying the latest findings concerning alcohol and

tobacco, and the world-wide advance toward Prohibition. This would enable every Branch to have a real harvest home gathering in the fall, where each member could report the results of his or her individual summer campaign. Let us work while we play, and play while we work, for the next few months.

I give you again the words of our National W.C.T.U. President in her recent "Call to Fearless and Faithful Service": "Talk, sing, pray, toil, shout, and play for total abstinence and prohibition"—and what a glorious summer it will be. The liquor traffic will not rest, and neither should we. One young man, while on a boat trip last year, secured the signature to our pledge of a number of young men, who promised to join the Y.P.B. when they returned home. Surely that outing held a double blessing for them.

There are many phases of the campaign against John Barleycorn, but none more interesting than the College phase. The Associated Press wires throb almost daily with the news of some new action taken by 'Varsity students, many of whom, we are glad to note, are not passively, but actively and aggressively, interested in Prohibition. If, as Captain Richmond P. Hobson asserts, "To the colleges we must look for our leaders in our great war against the Great Destroyer," we know now that there are those who will not be found wanting. Those who read the College news on this month's pages will hear the tramp, tramp of our great student body in the "March to the White House." As members of the Young People's Branch helping to amalgamate the forces of young people everywhere for the last great stand against John Barleycorn, let us "keep up" in the march, even though it must be a quick step much of the way. April is past, but the future is all before us. Let us use it to the edification of ourselves, the hastening of National Constitutional Prohibition, and the glory of God.

The "Jericho Plan" to Secure New Members.

A list is made of young people it is desired to interest. Give one name privately to seven Y.P.B. members. On Monday the first will speak to the prospective member regarding the Y.P.B.; on Tuesday the second will

talk of our work, and so on through the week. Each asks the person to join the Branch, and shows how by so doing he can help to forward the cause. If he does not accept the first invitation to membership, he may the seventh.

Dear sisters, there are many suggestions for work in the above paper. May they be helpful to all, and I trust some; if not all, members will try the above plan for new members, and let me know the results.

If any branch would like me to meet them I would be glad to do so as far as possible. I shall be leaving Bluff for Auckland early in August (God willing), and would try and fall in with any branch if they write me as soon as this issue is out, so as to give me time to fix my plans accordingly.—Yours for service,

S. A. MOODY, Y. Superintendent.

A WOMAN'S TOAST.

Of the rhymes sent in the following has been deemed the best, and the 5s prize has been forwarded to Miss May Bates, c/o Mr Thomas Bates, Box 4, Orari P.O., South Canterbury.

Your country's proud to own you.
We are so glad we've known you,
To you we feel there's honour due,
And so say all of us.

Refrain:

And what we say is true,
And what we say is true,
To you we feel there's honour due,
And so say all of us.

Miss Bates has donated the prize to the Hospital Ship Fund.

B. LEE-COWIE.

During the proceedings of the recent Southland Teachers' Institute Annual Convention in Invercargill, Mrs H. Lee Cowie, representing the Invercargill District W.C.T.U., offered in their name, prizes for essays on the Temperance Wall Sheets for all schools in Southland, which would take up the study and send in the children's competitions to be judged.