

sympathy with those who have lost sons at the Front. Special prayer for the restoration of our President.

DUNEDIN.

Nov. The subject of cinema improvement was considered, and a committee set up to meet representatives from the various women's societies. A number of resolutions were adopted by the Union to go forward to the united meeting. Mrs Lee-Cowie and Mrs Napier were received as members of the Dunedin Union. Miss McCarthy then gave a short address on events connected with the campaign against the C.D. Acts in Great Britain.

NELSON.

Oct. A four days' visit from Mrs Lee-Cowie. An "At Home" at Mrs Field's to welcome our visitor and arrange the work. Two afternoon meetings for women were held, an open-air on Saturday evening, and a public meeting in the Theatre on Sunday evening. Meetings well attended, and great interest taken. Six new members.

Oct. 9. Gift afternoon for annual Sale of Work. Large attendance, and many gifts. District Convention arranged for. Resolved: "That considering the gravity and importance of the subject treated of in the Social Hygiene Bill, now before Parliament, the Nelson Branch of the W.C.T.U. asks that the Bill may be deferred until women's representative societies have been consulted." Copies to be sent to the Premier, Hon. G. W. Russell, and the members for Nelson and Motueka. A resolution was passed asking the City Council to have the Park gates locked at night for the better protection of our young people. Votes of thanks to Mrs Lee-Cowie for her untiring work amongst us, also to our member for his efforts in connection with 6 o'clock closing.

Oct. 17. Annual Sale proceeds, £38.

N.E. VALLEY.

Oct. 25. Mrs Peart presided. Mrs Napier gave a most interesting address on her work among soldiers in the Old Land. The address was much enjoyed.

WANGANUI EAST.

Oct. 26. Mrs Andrew presided. Attendance fair. Report received of Home Meeting on October 2. Miss Powell addressed the meeting. One new member and one new subscriber to "White Ribbon." Sewing Guild reported 5 pairs pyjamas, 2 pairs mitts, 1 pair socks, and 2 scarves for Red Cross. Miss Cruickshank gave a fine address, and was heartily thanked for it. Afternoon tea handed round.

WELLINGTON CENTRAL.

Oct. 19. Mrs McDonald presided over a well-attended meeting, and gave a report of Provincial Conven-

tion. Discussion on the Social Hygiene Bill. Members strongly against legislation which detained women and allowed men to go free. Gratification expressed at the decision of the Railway Department to place a carriage on trains for the use of women. Votes of thanks to contributors and helpers at the produce stall at Paddy's Market. Vote of sympathy to Mrs A. R. Atkinson in her prolonged illness.

ONEHUNGA.

Oct. 18. Thanksgiving for the success of 6 o'clock closing amendment. Secretary reported 38 gifts and £3 11s in cash for mine-sweepers. Account of District Convention by Secretary. Resolutions sent to Premier re Social Hygiene Bill. Miss Weymouth gave an account of the Y branch deputation to Wellington. Letter of sympathy sent to a member who is ill.

WAKAPUAKA.

Oct. Social afternoon at Mrs Wastney's residence. Afternoon tea. £3 was gathered to send to Sailors' Clothing Fund. In August Mrs D. Boon gave a social in aid of Y.M.C.A. Fund, and was very successful.

RAKAIA.

Oct. 11. Letter of sympathy sent to Mrs Breach in her bereavement. Number of parcels received and forwarded for mine-sweepers. Rev. E. N. Blakiston gave a very interesting address on "Some excuses against Christianity, and how to meet them."

SOUTH INVERCARGILL.

Sept. Mrs Pasley in the chair, over 100 members and friends present. Meeting was a farewell to Mrs Cowie, who was presented with a beautiful autograph album, subscribed by all the members. Deep regret was expressed at Mrs Cowie's departure to Dunedin. Mrs Cowie addressed the meeting. Afternoon tea provided.

Oct. Mrs Pasley presided. Deep sympathy expressed with our Secretary, who is in hospital as the result of a serious operation. Mr Hughes gave an address on "Woman's Day." Mrs Garrett reported visiting Bluff Union on Franchise Day.

LEIGH.

Oct. 6. Miss C. A. Matheson presided over a fair attendance. Decided that Mrs J. C. Wyatt represent the Union at the Convention. Circular read asking help for "Our Day" to aid wounded soldiers. Arranged to meet and pack goods to forward on. One new member. Afternoon tea served.

WARKWORTH.

July 26. Good attendance, Mrs Southern in the chair. One new member initiated. Decided that the Initiative and Referendum would be beneficial to prohibition. Two hun-

dred copies of "Defeat and Victory" to be distributed. Agreed to send 10s towards Mrs Lee-Cowie's Manifesto.

Aug. 30. Large attendance, Mrs Attwood in chair. £19 and numerous warm garments collected for mine-sweepers. A vote of sympathy was passed to Mrs W. Wilson in the loss of her son-in-law at the Front. Mrs T. H. Wilson was elected delegate to the Provincial Convention.

Sept. 27. Fair attendance, Mrs Attwood (President) in the chair. Arrangements made for United Temperance Service on Sunday, September 30, in Town Hall. Mrs Attwood (President) resigned owing to her leaving the district shortly. Resignation received with much regret.

TAKAPUNA.

Sept. President in chair, 19 present. Enthusiastic meeting. Four initiated; seven recruits for Cradle Roll.

Oct. Mrs Fulljames presided. Note of praise for victory in 6 o'clock closing. Helpers volunteered for W.C.T.U. stall for wounded on the 19th. Short address by Mrs Bayes.

PAKIRI.

Oct. 4. Eight members present, and two visitors. Decided that a social evening for the honorary members, be held in December. The collection for the mine-sweepers was £2 3s. Several copies "Defeat or Victory?" and 100 each of "The Cry of the Mothers," "The Women's Hour," and "The Call to Arms" were distributed.

NEW BRIGHTON.

Sept. 20. Mrs Hall presided over a large attendance. A good collection of goods and money received for the mine-sweepers.

Oct. 18. Held a gift afternoon for the Red Cross. The hall was beautifully decorated by Mrs and Miss Hooker. A much appreciated address was given by Mrs Williams, of Sumner. Musical items were rendered, and afternoon tea provided. A large number of garments and cash were received. Decided to take a table at the A. and P. Show. The sum of 18s 6d was collected for the Lady Liverpool Fund.

PONSONBY.

Aug. 9. A well-attended meeting. Miss Weymouth gave an interesting address. Decided to respond to Mrs Nimmo's appeal for help.

Sept. 13. Decided to give a day to assist at Soldiers' Club. Letter re conscientious objectors discussed. Decided to assist the District Union at the Red Cross stall.

Oct. 11. Thanks for 6 o'clock closing, but Union wishes for speedy prohibition. Report of District Convention given. Miss Powell spoke on the Social Hygiene Bill then before the House. Gifts for mine-sweepers received.