

WAIPIKURAU.

July 12. Good attendance. Resolution rescinded re the sending of cheque of £30 to Mrs Nimmo for mine-sweepers, and Committee authorised to spend it locally on woollen goods for same. Letter of sympathy sent to Mrs Neal in her illness. Letter from Miss Henderson, with resolution re double standard of morality. Decided to take no action in matter. White Ribbon Day to be celebrated next meeting, with collection for Maori Fund.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

July 4. A very successful patriotic concert by the Central Mission Choir, Orchestra, and Band. Mrs Cook in the chair, and a splendid programme of musical items and recitations was provided. Rev. Ralph Gebbie, of the Church of Christ, gave a stirring address, making an eloquent appeal for the dual objects of the concert, to provide funds for the N.Z. White Ribboners' hutment and the mine-sweepers' comforts. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr Adams, the choir, orchestra, and band, for the very enjoyable evening's entertainment.

July 10. Mrs Cook presided. Able addresses were given by Miss Ingoll, member of the Auckland Women Teachers' Association, and Miss Wilson, V.P. of that Association. Miss Ingoll spoke on the importance of compulsory continuation classes for children from 14 to 18 in daylight hours, in order that they might be made more efficient for the responsibilities of life. Miss Wilson appealed very forcefully for the urgent necessity for increased staffing, improved buildings and playgrounds, which are due to our children, that they may become efficient citizens. The following resolutions were passed:—"That the Government be urged to provide compulsory continuation classes in daylight hours for children between 14 and 18 not attending secondary schools." (2) "That the Government be urged to take immediate steps for the improvement of staffing, buildings and playgrounds of all primary schools." Letters were received from Featherston Camp from the Secretary Y.M.C.A., and some of the soldiers, thanking the W.C.T.U. for the large consignment of cakes sent.

NELSON.

July 9. Mrs Watson presided. Letters were read, enclosing a circular, from the Educational Institute. The following resolutions were passed:—(1) "That the Nelson Union expresses its sympathy with the N.Z. Educational Institute in its efforts to secure the improvement and extension of our education system, and will be very glad to assist the Institute in every possible way." (2) "That the Corresponding Secretary be asked to

write to the Secretary of the Nelson Branch of the Institute, asking that one of its members may address the Nelson W.C.T.U. at an early opportunity." Letter read from Mr Dawson, inviting delegates from Nelson Union to attend the Christchurch Conference to consider plans of campaign. Mrs Watson and Mrs Wilkinson appointed as delegates. Letter read from "White Ribbon," containing Mrs Kington Parkes offer to lecture on behalf of the Hutment Fund. Decided to write for further particulars. The following resolution was passed in reference to reports of disorderly conduct amongst returned soldiers in Wellington:—"In view of the recent disturbances reported in the papers, the Nelson W.C.T.U. would urge upon the Acting-Prime Minister and Minister of Defence the desirability of closing all hotel bars on the arrival of troops with invalided soldiers on board until after their dispersal to their homes, instead of penalising the soldiers and making a distinction between them and civilians by putting hotels out of bounds." Decided to write for fuller information as to the statement in the "Vanguard" to the effect that rum rations are served to soldiers in New Zealand camps. Mrs Hill appointed joint organiser with Mrs Knapp for the Mine-sweepers' Fund.

WAKAPUAKA.

March. At Mrs Brown's, only six present. Decided to send £1 to the Organising Fund. Resolved to nominate one or more women for School Committee. Afternoon tea dispensed.

May. At Mrs Dodson's, nine members present. Mrs Watson and Mrs Brown, from the Nelson Union, attended, the latter giving a very interesting account of the Annual Convention. She strongly urged our Union to try and send a delegate next year. Decided to raise funds in various ways to help defray expenses. Two new subscribers to "White Ribbon."

On July 1st we had a meeting at the Foresters' Hall, to meet Mrs Napier. Mrs Napier was accorded a very hearty vote of thanks for her impressive talk, and afternoon tea was then handed round.

Auckland District, 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 1.30 p.m., Central Mission Hall, Albert St.; Pres., Mrs Cook, Point St., Mt. Eden; Cor. Sec., Miss N. Dewar, Pompallier Terr., Ponsonby; Rec. Sec., Mrs J. W. Taylor, Sentinel Rd., Ponsonby; Treas., Miss J. Dewar, Pompallier Terrace; Org. Treas., Miss Dewar, 4 Pompallier Terr., Ponsonby; "W.R." Agent Mrs Nelson, Esplanade Road, Mt. Eden.

Avondale, 3rd Tuesday, 2 p.m., Brown Street Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs Stevens; Vice-Presidents, Mrs Nesbitt and Mrs Martin; Rec. Sec., Miss B. Gittos; Cor. Sec., Mrs Proctor; Treas., Mrs Walker; W.R. Agent, Mrs Morgan; Organist, Mrs Douthwaite.

Auckland, Y's.—Last Monday at 7.45 p.m. in Y.W.C.A. Rooms. Pres., Miss Alice Parkinson; Vice-Presidents, Misses E. Foster, I. Cook, and O. Scott; Supt., Mrs Perrett, Market Rd. Epsom; Rec. Sec., Miss Hazel Patterson; Cor. Sec., Miss M. Bottrill; Treasurer, Miss M. L. Anderson, Lake Rd. Devonport; W.R. Supt., Miss I. Ruxsex.

Ashburton, 1st Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., in Baring Square Schoolroom; Pres., Mrs W. T. Lill; Cor. Sec., Mrs C. Holland; Rec. Sec., Miss Trevurza, 169 Peter Street; Treas., Mrs W. J. Brown, Walnut Av.; "W.R." Supt., Miss Butterick, Wakanui.

Avondale Y's, 3rd Wednesday, 7.45 p.m. in Ante room, Town Hall. Pres. Miss Elsie Stevens, Vice-Pres. Misses Ada Adams, Lilla Russel & Rowley Rec. Sec., Miss G. Wright; Cor. Sec., Miss L. Morey Treas. Miss A. Douthwaite; W.R. Supt. Miss R. Thomas; Y. Supt; Mrs Pirrett, Market Rd., Epsom.

Blenheim District, 1st Tuesday, 8 p.m.; Pres Mrs A. J. Litchfield, Livermere; Sec. Mrs H. S. Horn Springlands, Blenheim; Treas., Mrs Hay, Stephenson St.; Mothers' Meeting and Cradle Roll, Mesdames Brewer and Hancock; W.R. Agent, Mrs W. Parker, Grove Rd.

Cambridge, first Tuesday, in month in Victoria Hall, at 8 p.m.; Pres., Mrs A. T. Watson; Sec. Mrs Clark, Methodist Parsonage; Treas., Miss Clark, Hall Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs W. Hogan; W.R. Agent, Mrs A. T. Watson.

Christchurch W.C.T.U. Rooms, 247 Manchester St., opp. His Majesty's Theatre. Second and third Wednesday; Pres., Mrs T. E. Taylor, Casnmere Hills; Cor. Sec., Mrs R. Day, Milford St., St. Albans; Rec. Sec., Miss Bishop, 12 Bealey St.; Treas., Mrs Patterson, 346 Worcester St., Linwood; Asst. Treas., Miss Gordon, Holly Lea, Manchester St.; "W.R." Supt., Mrs Drinnan, 11, Brown St., St Albans.

Dannevirke, 2nd Wednesday, Wesleyan Schoolroom, 8 p.m.; Pres., Mrs W. F. Knight, Tahoraiti; Sec., Mrs Wiseman, High St.; Treas., Miss Burdett, The Manor.

Dunedin District, 1st Tuesday, No-license Rooms; Moay Place, 8 p.m.; Pres., Mrs Hiett, 72, Harlot Row, Cor. Sec., and Pres. Cor., Mrs Macartney, 156, Egmont Road, Mornington; Rec. Sec., Nurse Williamson; Supt. WHITE RIBBON, Mrs Anderson, 82, Drake St; Treas., Mrs Young, Bishopscourt, Roslyn.

Devonport, Second Thursday, Wesleyan Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m.; Pres., Mrs Barr, Victoria Rd., Vice-Presidents, Mesdames Budd, Elliot, Sheppard, George and Young; Sec., Mrs Burnett, Jubilee Av.; Treas., and Supt. W.R., Miss Le Roy, Waterview Rd., Stanley Bay; Supt. Cradle Roll, Miss Lillwall.

Fitzroy, last Friday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Church Pres., Mrs A. Hayward, 834, Devon Street, Fitzroy; Sec. Mrs L. Gray, 638, Devon Street East, New Plymouth; Treas., Miss Tolme, Chilman St., Fitzroy; W.R. Agent, Mrs J. Kibby, Clemow St., Fitzroy.

Feilding, 1st Thursday, 8 p.m., St. Paul's Hall; Pres. Miss Moore, c/o Mr. W. H. Bain, Feilding; Rec. Sec., Miss Jordan, c/o Mr H. Feild; Cor. Sec., Mrs C. J. Thompson, Denbigh Street; Treas., Mrs Williamson, The Hill; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Burnley; Railway Box, Mrs Shearer.

Gisborne District, last Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., Presbyterian Schoolroom; Pres., Mrs Goffe, Ormond Rd.; Sec., Mrs F. S. Malcolm, Gladstone Rd.; Treas., Mrs F. J. Wilkes, 466 Gladstone Rd.

Greymouth District, last Tuesday at 8 p.m. in Sailor's Rest Hall; Pres., Mrs Gaskin; Sec. Mrs Mason, Cobden; Treas., Mrs Sweetman, White Ribbon Agent, Mrs T. Brown; Cradle Roll and Band of Hope, Mrs Stewart and Mrs Perry.

Greytown, Last Tuesday at 2.30 p.m. in Presbyterian Sunday School. President, Mrs Whincop, Gasworks; Secretary, also W.R. Agent, pro tem., Mrs Banks, Humphreys St.; Treas., Mrs Boucher, Humphreys St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Quin and A. Haigh.

Hamilton District, first Thursday, Wesley Class Rooms, 2.30 p.m.; Pres., Mrs J. T. Horne, Clifton Road; Sec., Mrs W. H. Paul, Clandlands; Treas., Mrs E. J. Davey, London Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Gaulton, Rosstrevor Street