

Y's Reports.

AVONDALE.

August 21. Miss Stevens presided. A very good attendance. Mrs Napier gave a very helpful and instructive address. We are working for a concert to be held Thursday 29th. This is our effort for the Hutment and Mine-sweepers' Fund, and we are praying it will be a success, as it is our first effort.

Aug. 29. A very fine concert was given in aid of funds for hutment and mine-sweepers. Songs, duets, recitations, readings, were much enjoyed. Several members formed a Glee Party, and their choruses were highly appreciated. A fine display of club-swinging was given, also two good tableaux. The concert realised £8 7s nett, a fine amount for this young Union to raise.

WANGANUI.

July 21. A splendid meeting, addressed by Mrs Napier on "The Responsibility of Women during the Nation's Crisis."

July 22. Social to welcome Mrs Napier. A fine programme. An address by Mrs Napier was followed by initiation service. Supper was handed round, and a collection taken up for mine-sweepers.

July 29. Fine attendance. Arrangements made to help with petition canvassing, also plans made for Sale of Work. A very fine inspiring address by Mrs McKenzie on "Pioneer Women."

Aug. 26. Sale of Work discussed, and arrangements made. Meeting addressed by Mr McCaul, who spoke on "State Ownership." Questions were invited and answered, and the speaker was heartily thanked.

AUCKLAND.

Aug. A very busy month canvassing for signatures for petition. Mrs Napier has been with us. As a result of our social, 34 new members reported. Mrs Napier addressed us, and was presented with a bunch of violets.

Aug. 25. United gathering for women and girls in Town Hall addressed by Mrs Napier, subject "When the Boys Come Home." An appeal for new members brought nine forward.

ARAMOHO.

Aug. 17. Greetings sent to Invercargill Y's. Sir James Allen's reply to a protest read. Jubilee Home to be visited. Reports of year's work were very satisfactory. One new member. One subscriber to "White Ribbon," and two members on Cradle Roll.

INVERCARGILL.

Aug. 6. Letters of congratulation from Palmerston N., Auckland, Wanganui, and from Miss Henderson. Discussion on a Y social held. All committees report good work.

Sept. 2. Letter of congratulation from Wanganui Y's. Mrs Lillicrap spoke on plans for work. Committees were appointed. Resolved to have a social gift evening. Three new members enrolled.

MARTON.

A Y Branch was formed by Mrs Napier, membership of 12, and following officers were elected:—Supt., Mrs Cossum; Pres., Miss Hatcher; Sec., Miss Winchcombe; Treas., Miss Matheson. Decided to meet last Wednesday.

July 31. Miss Hatcher in chair. All members willing to help with petition canvassing. Eight members initiated.

Aug. 28. Musical afternoon. President presided. Decided to send "White Ribbon" to Public Library. Miss Ethel Rone appointed "White Ribbon" Agent. Two members initiated.

ASHBURTON.

Aug. 19. President (Sister Jessie) presided over a fair attendance of members. The evening was devoted to "two-minute" speeches on "War-time Economy." Several members spoke, also Mrs Frost. Another new member was initiated. A resolution expressing regret at the loss of their Vice-President, and sympathy with her sorrowing family.

L.T.L. Reports.

ARAMOHO.

August 3. The President presided over an attendance of 22. Responsive exercises and company rule, and Miss Myra West, President of Band of Mercy, then gave an interesting lesson on mercy and kindness to animals. The L.T.L. badges were then given out.

August 17. E. Bathgate presided. Responses and exercises were given. Nine subscribers gained for L.T.L. paper. Two of the Y's gave an interesting lesson: "The Golden Apples."

August 31. A good attendance. The pledge and company rule repeated. The Leader gave an interesting lesson: "The Soldier's Resolve." Silent vote of sympathy to Mrs Duxfield in the loss of her mother.

MANAIA.

August 1. 58 members present. Address by Rev. Knowles-Smith, of Wellington, who told many stories of the evils of the drink traffic. Meeting closed with National Anthem.

NORTH INVERCARGILL.

August 27. Very successful social. Reported a membership of 70, and steadily increasing. Rev. Collie gave a fine address, and the children provided a good programme. Supper, vote of thanks to Mr Collie, and National Anthem closed a pleasant evening.

News of the Unions.

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WAKAPUAKA.

July. At Mrs Wastney's, when only five members were present. Decided that the following resolution be sent to Minister of Justice:—"The Wakapuaka Branch of the Women's Christian Temperance Union urges that in cases where the police take action with regard to persons found on premises suspected of being used for immoral purposes, the men as well as the women found there should be made responsible and punishable. The Union holds that in arresting and punishing the women only, the law encourages a double standard of morality." Collecting cards for W.C.T.U. Hutment Fund were distributed. One new subscriber for "White Ribbon."

SOUTH DUNEDIN.

July. Report of Conference to consider steps to be taken to secure National Prohibition.

August. Debate, "Should licensees receive compensation (Efficiency Board's proposal) if National Prohibition is carried?" The affirmative was taken by Miss E. McCarthy, and the negative by Miss M. McCarthy. "Good Citizenship" was announced as the subject for September.

WANGANUI EAST.

Aug. 4. A special meeting was held in the Anglican Schoolroom, when Mrs Peryman addressed a good gathering on the coming Prohibition Campaign. The speaker was listened to with great interest and profit. At the close a number of questions were asked and answered satisfactorily. The officers and Union have been strengthened by Mrs Peryman's visit.

Aug. 26. Usual monthly meeting. After correspondence had been dealt with, Mrs Dowsett gave a brief report of Stratford Provincial Convention. Mrs Napier, Y. Organiser, also addressed the members, and inspired one and all to go forward in the coming Prohibition Campaign. Petitions for canvassing were given to members.

TAURANGA.

July 31. Mrs Christian presided; 22 members present. Our request for patriotic shop granted Friday, 9th, also Wesley Hall for our concert, all in aid of Mine-sweepers Fund. Two new members initiated. Mrs Chappell was re-elected upon School Committee, and Mrs Bostock was elected.