

Oamaru was started on June 16th, with Mrs Todd as President.

These eight Unions were organised by Mrs Leavitt. When she left to carry the White Ribbon further round the globe, Mrs Dudley Ward, at her earnest request, agreed to carry on the work of organisation. Before the first Annual Convention met in Wellington in February, 1886 Mrs Ward had added seven more Unions to the eight organised by Mrs Leavitt, viz., Wellington, New Plymouth, Hawera, Patea, Wanganui, Nelson, and Ashburton. These 15 Unions formed the full official list presented at this first Convention.

(To be Continued.)

PLEDGE SIGNING COMPETITION.

It will be remembered that a pledge-signing competition was inaugurated at the Invercargill Convention in 1923.

CONDITIONS FOR COMPETITION.

- (1) A Banner will be given for Union gaining greatest number of Pledges in next 3 years.
- (2) Pledges must not be taken from persons already pledged to total abstinence, or from those under 14 years of age.
- (3) All Pledges must be taken on these forms, and when filled the butts must be handed to W.C.T.U. Secretary, and by her sent on to Miss Henderson, Clifton, Sumner, Christchurch.

The butts of the pledge books should be sent to Miss Henderson as soon as possible, as the competition is closed, and result must be announced at the forthcoming Convention.

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WELLINGTON, JANUARY 18, 1926.

FORTY-FIRST CONVENTION, N.Z. W.C.T.U.,

To be held in Christchurch, March 10th
to 18th, 1926.

AGENDA.

Wednesday, March 10th.

10 a.m.: Meeting of Executive: N.Z. Officers, District Presidents (or failing the President, the District Secretary or Treasurer), and the Dominion Superintendents.

2.30 p.m.: Meeting of Executive.

Evening: Public Reception.

Thursday, March 11th.

9 a.m.: Convention called to order by President. Crusade Hymn. Crusade Psalm (see White Ribbon Hymnal, p. 106, small edition). Reading. Address. Prayer.

9.45 a.m.: Roll Call. Minutes. Appointment of Committees (Courtesies and Resolutions), of Convention Letter-writer, and of Press Reporters. Report of Executive Committee. Corresponding Secretary's Report and Correspondence. Treasurer and Organising Treasurer's Reports. Appeal for donations to N.Z. Fund. Organisers' Reports—(a) Miss Earnshaw's (b) Miss Bradshaw's.

Noontide Devotions. Greetings. Letters of sympathy. Notice of Motion.

12.30: Luncheon Adjournment.

2 p.m.: Devotions. Minutes. Superintendents Reports: Evangelistic and Home and Mothers' Meetings (Mrs J. Wright), Flower Mission and Philanthropic (Mrs Griffin), Notable Days (Miss A. Webb), Educational Bureau (papers for circulation) (Miss Powell), Bible in Schools and Sabbath Observance (Mrs Driver).

3 p.m.: President's Address. Adoption of Address.

5.30 p.m.: Adjournment.