

TAURANGA.

May 25. Mrs Carlton Smith in chair. A letter relating to the capitation fee was read. Mrs Bonthron's paper on Peace and Arbitration was read by Mrs Turner. The Rev. Mr Jordan spoke a few words on the same subject, one in which we are keenly interested, being affiliated members. The thanks of the members are to be conveyed to Mrs Bonthron, for her very able and interesting paper. Refreshments were dispensed.

PAPANUI.

May. Mrs Simpson presided over a good attendance, and gave an interesting report of Convention; new ideas and resolutions stressed. The Secretary was authorised to write a letter to Mrs Bond, conveying the gratitude of members on her recovery from illness. Mrs Neilson was appointed Cradle Roll Superintendent. Mrs Kruse, Hospital and Sick Visitor; Mrs Carr, White Ribbon Agent. Decided to hold a Jumble Sale, early in June. One new member initiated.

NORMANBY.

May 12. Mrs Scott presided. Owing to the inclemency of the weather, the attendance was small. The matter of appointing delegates for the Provincial Convention was left to arrange later. An interesting talk was then given by Mrs Ollernshaw, of Hawera, on the working of the L.T.L. in Invercargill. At the conclusion, a hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mrs Ollernshaw. Afternoon tea dispensed by Mrs Clement.

NELSON.

May 11. Usual monthly meeting, only fair attendance. Mrs Field gave very interesting report of Alliance Conference.

May 17. Peace Day observed. Mrs Campion, of the Salvation Army, gave a short address.

DUNEDIN SOUTH.

May 13. A Bring and Buy Sale, to get money for our Organizing Fund, was held in the evening, and the results were highly gratifying. The first quarter of hour, was spent in devotions, the rest of the evening in buy and selling, interspersed by items from different ladies. As invitations had been sent to the various Unions in Dunedin, and also to Port Chalmers and Sawyers Bay, a large attendance resulted and they were welcomed by our President, Mrs Macartney. Supper was served, and a pleasant and profitable time was brought to a close by the singing of the W.C.T.U. Doxology.

INVERCARGILL CENTRAL.

May 11. A very successful Social afternoon; songs were rendered by Mrs Aitchison and a dainty afternoon tea provided. Mrs Hopkirk who has rendered much valuable assistance to the Union was farewelled, and Mrs Tocker, wife of Rev. Tocker, was cordially welcomed. The District President, Mrs Fairbairn, gave a short talk on the District Constitution. President spoke on Membership Campaign, and reported having gained several new members. Letters of sympathy were sent to five members.

WAIPUKURAU.

May 12. Mrs Smales presided. Fair attendance. Arrangements made for our officers to go to Hastings to meet Mrs T. E. Taylor at a District meeting, the outcome being that Mrs Taylor promised to stay a day at Waipukurau on her way back to Wellington.

May 17. Peace Day was celebrated by a special prayer meeting.

May 18. Waipawa Union joined us in a public meeting for women at 2.30 p.m. Mrs Smales, Waipukurau President, welcomed Mrs T. E. Taylor and the members and friends of the Waipawa Union. Mrs Taylor then gave us a talk on "Alcohol and the human body," also answered questions on various Union matters. Collection was taken to defray cost of advertising, etc., balance to be given to the district fund. Afternoon tea served, and we all felt it had been a time of help and encouragement to meet our Dominion President.

SOUTH WELLINGTON.

May 6. A silent vote of sympathy was passed to Mrs Johnson Wright and her relatives on Mrs Wright's serious illness. Arrangements were made for Peace Day on the 17th inst. In response to the recommendation of the Annual Convention a member of the Union was appointed to act in co-operation with the Bible-in-Schools League on their Wellington Committee, Mrs Keene, of Island Bay, being selected, and accepting the office. A request from Mrs Peryman to make arrangements for White Ribbon Day in connection with the neighbouring Unions was left in the hands of the Executive. It was reported that the balance in hand from the recent Garden Party was nearly £2 after paying delegate's expenses to Convention. A framed photo of the Convention had been presented to the Union by the delegates, Mrs Keene and Mrs Hirst, whose interesting accounts of Convention formed the chief business of the afternoon and were greatly enjoyed by the members.

May 17. A devotional meeting, Peace Day. This has been instituted in order that all the Unions throughout the Dominion may simultaneously think of and pray for International Peace. There was not a very large gathering, and though Church members, other than W.C.T.U. members were invited, very few availed themselves of the invitation. The Wellington District President was the leader, and Rev. W. M. Holland was the speaker. After the devotional exercises and a vocal item, given by Miss Bradshaw, Mr Holland delivered a thoughtful and earnest address from the last three verses of the 19th Chapter of Isaiah, drawing an analogy between the position of Israel with Egypt and Assyria on either side of her, and Belgium between Germany and France. He pointed out that peace among the people can never come until the spirit of brotherhood as taught by Christ, prevailed in the world. All must learn to recognise each individual as a man, whatever his colour or race and on that eternal truth international policy must be based. The League of Nations, as the organisation in which that ideal was most nearly approached in the world to-day, should be supported by all men and women who are willing to work and pray for deliverance from the peril of another world war.

PAHIATUA.

May. Visit of Mrs T. E. Taylor, Dominion President. She addressed a well-attended public meeting, Rev. C. A. Foston presiding. Mrs Taylor spoke at some length on the aims and objects of our organisation, recalled its world-wide activities, and pleaded for fuller support. Collection taken up. Vote of thanks to Mrs Taylor, who, during her visit, was the guest of Mr and Mrs A. P. Fox. Her visit should prove most helpful to the work.

NELSON.

June 8. Special White Ribbon Day. The Editor's splendid paper read and much enjoyed; a new subscriber resulted. Pledge slips inserted in hymn books and used for repeating pledge. Much interest shown in visit of Mrs Peryman in July, and of Mrs T. E. Taylor, in September. Dominion Secretary's letter read in reference to the resolutions passed at Convention. Decided to send letter of thanks to the Prime Minister for the stand he had taken against Gambling and Lotteries. Collection taken up for New Zealand Fund.

SPREYDON.

May 29. Successful "Bring and Buy" social held at residence of Mrs Nairn. Gramophone selections and solos by Miss Hare and Miss Cotton, passed a pleasant afternoon. Money raised by sale of goods goes towards our Organising Fund.

June 8. Mrs Nairn presided over good attendance. Miss Ray's resignation as Corresponding Secretary, was received with regret. Letter of appreciation to be sent her, and a record of her splendid service and ability be placed on minutes. Mrs Petrie gave a splendid paper on "What We Stand For" bringing forward many helpful suggestions for the advancement of our work.

N.Z. W.C.T.U.
Literature.

General: Mrs Mowlem, 52 Russell Terrace, Wellington South.

Badges, Brooches, and Pins, 5/- per doz.; Star of Honour, 2/- each; Hymnals, 2/3 per doz.; Hymnals, music, 3/- each; Writing Pads, 1/- and 1/9; Envelopes, 6d pkt.; Constitutions, 4d each, 3/6 doz.; Handy Booklet, 4d each, 3/6 doz.; Membership Pledge Cards and "Facts" about W.C.T.U., 6d per doz.; Treasurer and Transfer Slips, 1/- 100; Pledge Books, 6d; Treasurer's Receipt Books, 1/6; W.C.T.U. Serviettes, 9d doz., 5/100; Promise Boxes, 1/6 each.

How We Won the Franchise, 9d doz., 4/- 100, 35/- 1000; White-robed Vestal, 6d doz., 3/6 100, 30/- 1000; Y Constitution, 3d each; "Women Torchbearers," 8/6 each; Appeals to Mothers, 6d doz., etc., etc.

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Charts (with Manual of Lessons), showing effects of alcohol and tobacco on the human body, 7/6 per set; Marching Songs for Young Crusaders, 1/- each; A Handful of Hints, 1/-; Temperance Tales, 1/-; About Ourselves, 1/-; About Our Country, 1/-; It Is Written (Bible stories), 1/-; Shakespeare Manual, 1/3; Pledge Cards, 1/- per dozen; Programmes, from 3d each; L.T.L. Badges, 4d each; L.T.L. Buttons, 3d each; The Young Crusader, 2/- per annum (in advance); L.T.L. Hand Books.

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Literature, 6d per packet; Pledges, 6d per dozen; "The Little Animal's Friend," 1/6 per year (on order).

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Cradle Roll: Mrs Waddell, Private Bag, Waitara.

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Social and Moral Hygiene: Mrs Wilson, P.O. Box 273, Hastings.

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