

# The White Ribbon

For God, and Home, and Humanity.

## Thought for the Month. . .

"The Liquor business is a peddler of POISON, rank, deadly, and UNLABELLED."

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## POISON . .

A bottle of Whisky, advertised with lavish adjectives carries also the line "30% Alcohol." This means 30% rank narcotic poison!

If a tin of soap carried the label, "30% poison," would you buy it for your table?

A Wine bottle, prettily shaped and alluringly coloured, bore the line "20% Alcohol." Yes, Alcohol IS Poison.

If a tin of golden syrup carried the label, "20% poison," would you buy it for your children?

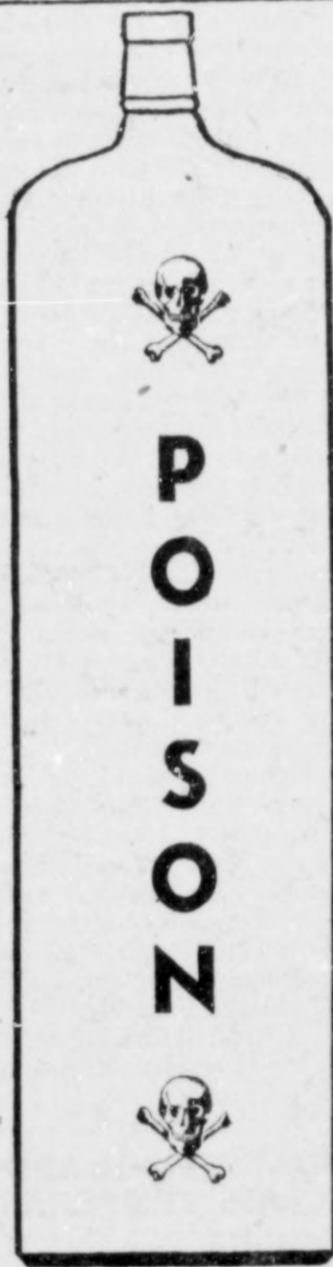
A Beer bottle, decorated with a bright label, also has the line, "6% Alcohol." ALCOHOL IS A NARCOTIC POISON. IT KILLS.

If Milk bottles bore the warning, "Contents 6% poison," would you buy the milk?

New Zealand insists on foods free from poisons.

The Government insists on labelling of other poisons with their antidotes.

How long will New Zealand tolerate this evil? The Antidote for alcohol is ABOLITION OF THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.



ing now to a value of just under one million dollars per day. There have been setbacks in Prince Edward Island, where doctors are now allowed to give a 'prescription' for alcoholic beverages good for six months; and in Ontario, where an infamous bill was rushed through the Legislature in its final week, extending the sale of beer and wine to restaurants, and instituting a new form of outlet for selling beer, wine and spirits called a Tavern, which, offering neither food nor room service, is nothing but a cocktail lounge, or what in England we called a 'gin palace.' Hotels may also have cocktail lounges. Women's beverage rooms remain as 'public houses' but may be voted out by a local option vote. This concession was won by the persistent efforts of all the women's organizations in Ontario, including the Auxiliaries of the W.M.S.

"A vast amount of educational work for Temperance has been done, including readings and discussions at meetings; co-operation with the W.C.T.U. and the R.E.C.C., in teaching the Temperance lessons put out by these bodies, in Sunday and Day Schools, Mission Bands, Circles and Young People's Societies; the use of pageants, panels, posters, slides and talking films; public meetings and public speaking contests in teen-age groups, which are a very successful way of training the young people, and at the same time, of reaching adults who would never go to a Temperance meeting, but who will go to hear their youngsters speak. Many of these projects were undertaken in co-operation with the W.C.T.U. and the Provincial Temperance Federations, both of which can help with ideas and literature."

## Concern in Canada

### New Zealand's Danger Also

A letter from our Legal and Parliamentary Superintendent, Miss C. Henderson, B.A., J.P., closes with these fateful words: "The Licensing Commission's report should give the Unions plenty of food for thought, for if the recommendations were adopted, it would mean that we would lose all that we had gained."

From the Official Organ of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Church of Canada, which society has a strong Temperance sec-

tion, is taken the article printed below. We urge all our Unions to study the methods being employed to combat the growing menace of increased facilities for the consumption and sale of liquor in Prince Edward Island and Ontario, which are undermining the work of many years.

### WE MUST FIGHT TO THE LAST DITCH:

"A very real concern is expressed at the ever-increasing consumption of alcoholic beverages in Canada, amount-

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# Among the Departments

## GOOD CITIZENSHIP

c/o 115 Bassett Road,  
Remuera, S.E.3,  
Auckland.

To District and Local Secretaries,—

At the last Dominion Convention, several other departments were incorporated in the above, namely, Flower Mission, Philanthropic, Prison and Reformatory, and Good Citizenship.

Annual Reports are in course of preparation for Conventions, so, while you are at it, will you please send me one, giving details of any work undertaken by your union under any of the above departments, which are to be known in future as "Good Citizenship"?

Perhaps District Secretaries who are now in possession of any such details for convention reports, would be good enough to send them on to me.

Reports should reach me not later than **November 30th.**

Please note my new address.

A. M. McLAY,  
Dominion Superintendent.

## CRADLE ROLL

85 Todman Street,  
Brooklyn,  
Wellington.

Dear L.W.R. Superintendents,—

Loving greetings. You will soon be compiling your annual reports. I hope this year to receive one from every Union.

Each report should contain the following data:—

(a) C.R. number at the beginning of the year.

(b) Present C.R. number.

(c) Number of new members for the year.

(d) Activities—visits to homes, parties, literature distributed, and any other items of interest.

(e) Adult membership of Union. **This is important.**

Will you please send your reports direct to me before that date?

I would also ask those Unions holding banners to send them to Mrs. Underhill, Dominion Recording Secretary, at a time to be announced in the "White Ribbon."

My thoughts are often with you in your work. It is not easy sometimes; and it entails some sacrifice, but how worth while it is. You are privileged to assist in laying the foundations upon which the future success of our just cause depends—the education of the children.

That God's richest blessing may rest upon your labours is the prayer of

Yours, in W.R. bonds,

L. M. BREWER,  
Dominion Superintendent,  
L.W.R. Department.

## WORK AMONG SEAMEN

29 Gilbert Street,  
New Plymouth,  
Sept. 16th, 1946.

The Editor,  
"White Ribbon."

Dear Mrs. Christian,—

Our Seamen's Rest Committee have to appoint a new Caretaker for our "Rest"; and wonder if you can help us by giving some idea of the kind of person we require for the duties of such.

We shall advertise in local papers; but we wish to give more information than can be given through them. Our present caretaker, Miss Pedersen, the daughter of a Norwegian sea-captain, has been splendid with the men, but is now retiring on health account after nineteen years of service. We feel that now, we should have a married couple without children. The husband could pursue his usual calling and help with the seamen in the evenings. The hours are 2 to 5 p.m., and 7 to 10 p.m. when any overseas boats are in port; and so there are many days when there is nothing to do. We offer accommodation, heat and light in return for the care of the "Rest," and interest in the Seamen.

Whether we have a single, widowed, or married person, we desire especially a kindly Christian woman; and, of course, a total abstainer, who will be able to win the confidence and respect of the men, and make the "Rest" a "happy home from home."

Applications should be in by the 22nd of November, and should be sent to Mrs. Bailey, Hon. Secretary, "The Seamen's Rest," Young Street, New Plymouth. Testimonials are required. Any further information required, I will be pleased to give on application.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours sincerely,

GERTRUDE A. DREW,  
President of Seamen's Rest.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASS TEMPERANCE

Dear Sisters,—

I wish to appeal through the columns of our "White Ribbon" to every Union and member that has done any work in connection with Temperance Teaching in Sunday Schools to report to me what has been done as early as possible.

I trust you will accept this request from me in place of a questionnaire.

Every Union should grasp the opportunity of sending Temperance speakers and printed addresses, also literature to our Bible Classes before the coming election.

Never forget our Young People are the coming citizens of New Zealand; and it is our work to educate them against the evils of intemperance and gambling.

The temptations around them are

very subtle. Can we help them? I'm sure we can.

Hoping to hear from you all,

Yours, in our great work,

M. LONG,

Dominion Superintendent.

Address: 9 Cleveland Road,  
Parnell,  
Auckland.

## SOCIAL AND MORAL HYGIENE AND HEALTH AND NUTRITION

Dear Friends,—

I am not sending out any Questionnaires this year, but would ask all Superintendents to forward their reports as soon as possible. Please do not wait till the last moment, but send them as soon as your Convention is over. I will appreciate it.

R. M. MOUNTJOY,  
Dominion Superintendent.

## LEGAL AND PARLIAMENTARY DEPARTMENT

Will all Branches which have done any work in the Legal and Parliamentary Department this year please send reports to me by December 14th at latest?

All Remits intended for Convention should be sent to me by November 30th. This is important, as all Remits must be published in the "White Ribbon." If any resolutions were passed at District Conventions, these should be sent at once.

**Note:** It is not necessary to send remits dealing with the report of the Licensing Commission, as this matter will certainly be dealt with fully at Convention.

C. HENDERSON.

Dominion Superintendent Legal and Parliamentary Department.

## ANTI-GAMBLING

Dear Sisters,—

Just a word from your Superintendent of Anti-Gambling. Again I shall be sending out questionnaires, asking for all work done in this department to be reported, no matter how small the part taken. Please record all you have done during the year, and return papers promptly.

From newspaper reports it would seem that there may be a possibility of State Lotteries being instituted in the Dominion, instead of the Art Union for £5,000 now in force, authorised by the Minister of Internal Affairs. I would ask you to watch proceedings of Parliament and protest to the Minister for Internal Affairs, the Hon. W. E. Parry, and to the member for your electorate.

Yours in service,

MRS. PIRRETT.

c/o J. W. Gibson,  
7 Oxford Street,  
Marton.

## CARAVAN FUND

Christchurch Union has handed in £5 to Miss Gordon for the "Caravan Fund."

## President's Message

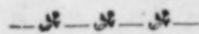
Dear Friends,—

"And it came to pass, that when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking unto the people all the words of the Lord their God, for which the Lord their God had sent him to them." There only remain about three weeks between now and the Poll. So soon, as far as the 1946 licensing poll is concerned, the time to speak the "words of the Lord" in condemnation of this evil trade will be past. Have you and I spoken **all** the words we **ought** to have spoken? Is there still some message, some knowledge, of this dreadful thing that we should make known to some other person? It is necessary that we keep three lamps burning brightly—Faith, Prayer and Perseverance. If you have not already lit them, NOW is the time to light up. If you have allowed them to become a little dim, trim and polish them in the light of God's promise of victory to those who fight faithfully. We look forward to the time when there will be no legalised sale of beverage alcohol in this beautiful land. Although it may take some time to banish illegal sales, it will be much easier to cope with them if there is no "legal" wall for evil traders to hide behind. So, away with the wall.

Those there were who thought that the walls of Jericho would never fall, but they did. Those there are who think that the wall of the legalised sale of beverage alcohol will never fall, but IT WILL, for God is marching on.

Affectionate greetings to you all from  
Yours in service,

C. E. KIRK.



## NEW SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE WHITE RIBBON"

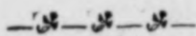
From 16th September to 10th October, 1946.

Otahuhu, 1; Karori, 1; Upper Hutt, 1; Christchurch, 3; Woolston, 1. Total 7.

Total number from 1st February to 10th September, 1946: 150.

Will all unions please note that the list of new subscribers will close on 31st December next, instead of 31st January, 1947? **We want more subscribers, and we want them now!**

A. D. GRIGG.



"Be content with your lot, but always fitting yourself for something better and something higher. Do not despise what you are. Be satisfied—for the time—not grumbling and finding fault."—Lord Strathcona.

## SPECIAL REPORTS

### OXFORD'S THIRTY-FIFTH BIRTHDAY PARTY

A very pleasant gathering of members and friends was held in the Oxford Coronation Hall on Thursday evening, September 26th, in honour of the thirty-fifth birthday of the local W.C.T.U. A good fire, and abundance of beautiful flowers, gave a festive air. After the opening prayer, a programme of vocal and elocutionary items was much appreciated. The Rev. J. D. Jensen gave a most interesting address dealing mostly with the report recently presented by the Licensing Commission and urged that the utmost opposition should be made to some of the proposals, notably, that proposing the issue of licenses to restaurants. The Rev. T. Weston (Ministers' Association) and others spoke briefly, offering congratulations and good wishes for the future work of the Union. Supper was served, including a handsome Birthday Cake. Votes of thanks were passed to the speaker and those who had taken part in the programme, also to Mrs. Dally, maker of the cake. The evening closed with the singing of the Doxology.

### WELLINGTON FAREWELL AND PRESENTATION

At its Executive meeting on September 30th, Wellington Union reluctantly bade farewell to their Treasurer, Mrs. Gardiner, who is going to live in Nelson. The President, Miss Brooks, on behalf of members, gave Mrs. Gardiner a book as a slight remembrance of the Union's love and thanks for faithful service.

Mrs. Gardiner also held the office of District Treasurer, and at the same meeting the District Officers expressed their appreciation of her work, and regret at her departure. Notice of the Treasurer's transfer had been short, and the arrangement of a presentation had been difficult. This took the form of a handsome pink-toned shoulder spray, pinned on by the District President, Miss Kirk.

Speaking as a Dominion Officer, Mrs. Grigg said that Mrs. Gardiner's move to Nelson might well help the Work among Seamen, of which Department she is Dominion Superintendent. Personal contact with the head of this important work might well stimulate Nelson's interest and activity in this sphere. Mrs. Gardiner replied most suitably.

At the September meeting opportunity was taken to make a presentation to Mrs. Ross, whose help to the Union in so many ways is always so untiringly and cheerfully given. More especially was her assistance invaluable during the move from Constable Street to Headquarters, so that members felt they would like to show their loving appreciation. The gift was a leather week-end bag, with which Mrs. Ross expressed herself as delighted.

### DARGAVILLE—OPEN FORUM ON LICENSING REFORM

At the Community Centre at Dargaville a discussion took place recently on Licensing Reform, and the report of the Royal Commission.

Sister May Viney, Maori Welfare Officer in Dargaville, gave an address on "Drink Among the Maori People." In closing, she quoted a Remit passed by the Maori workers of the Methodist Church of New Zealand on "Temperance Education." "Conference recommends that leaflets should be prepared in the Maori and English languages, these to be distributed among the young people. That we approach those in authority, on Education on Temperance, to provide the necessary material for this type of work. It recognises the importance of Temperance Education for all our people, and feels very keenly for a more vigorous application of it among our Maori people. Conference further declares that all our agents should always recognise the significance of their high calling, and always set the highest example in the interests and welfare of the people, and God's kingdom."

This Remit is quoted in full by the Dargaville correspondent as being a matter of interest to those working among the Maori people.

### SOCIAL AFTERNOON: HASTINGS UNION

The Hastings Union held a Social afternoon in the Methodist Hall, which was beautifully decorated with spring flowers by Mrs. A. Pitt. Mrs. Hickmott presided over a splendid gathering. A "Bring-and-Buy" stall and sale of work, under the care of Mesdames Hagerston and Osborn, did brisk business, the proceeds being for Union funds.

Mrs. Martin sang solos and Mrs. Collins gave elocutionary items. Mrs. Twiner gave pianoforte solos, and Mrs. Price also sang.

Afternoon tea was handed round and the Social Committee was in charge. The President closed a very happy afternoon with prayer.

### MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE: BROOKLYN UNION

During the years since its inception, the Brooklyn Union has lost fifteen members by death. At their meeting in September, a special period was taken for the remembering of these comrades. Sincere tributes and appreciation of their life and work for the Church, and the Temperance Cause, were paid by Mesdames Brewer, Pickering, Dudley, Cracknell and Pearce. Lovely posies of flowers (several with forget-me-nots), were presented for each departed member. These were taken later to Central Park Hospital by the President, Mrs. Brewer, accompanied by Miss Appleby. The hymn, "For All the Saints," was sung to conclude the service.

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## THE VALUE OF "THE WHITE RIBBON" TO ME

By A. D. GRIGG

An article is only of value to us in so far as we can make use of it; for example, our food, or what we purchase to eat, only if it is food that agrees with us and provides nourishment for our bodies; our clothing, only as it is useful and suitable for our wear and our occupation; our books, furniture, pictures, china and all that goes to provide the comforts of our home, only as we make use of them to give us good living, good work, good leisure and all that makes for the best in life.

So, only as we value our "White Ribbon" can it be of value to us.

What value is "The White Ribbon" to each of our unions? As individual unions, does it not give us an incentive to more combined co-operative work for the cause to which we are pledged? Does it not help to hold our whole organisation together and unite us in a common bond, because in its pages we see and learn what the rest of us are doing?

It can be of value to us as individual members of a union, but only as we as individual members of our union make use of it. Do we use it to gain inspiration? Do we find in it something that draws us nearer to God, that inspires us to do better in our homes, that gives us zeal to serve others? Or do we let it lie unopened for days upon our table and then glance hurriedly through it without taking in much of what is written therein?

And if we have gained from it, do we not want others to share our gain? Do not the President's letter each month, the special articles and pithy paragraphs that appear, do not the Scientific Temperance facts and articles

create in us a desire to do more toward educating others towards abstinence? As our Editor says in the June issue, "no one would dream of searching its pages for anything which would have effects other than uplifting. Casual readers are in no doubt as to the reason for its existence. No uncertain trumpet note trembles through it; but a definite call to service for God, Home, and Humanity is heard, constantly and urgently."

What does our pledge say,—"I promise to do all in my power to discourage the use of and traffic in the same by others . . ." How can we discourage others? Surely by showing them the faults of alcohol. And there our paper gives us material in plenty, if we will use it.



MRS. A. D. GRIGG

Take one issue, for instance, say the May one with a photo and biographical notes of our new President. Is there not someone in the W.D.F.U., the W.I. or some similar women's organisation to whom you may introduce our President, or a friend in the country to whom you may send it with a letter saying we have a new President, or just a note saying as a W.C.T.U. member I want you to meet our new President?

But I think in sending away this

copy as suggested, I would slip out the Y.P. Supplement and keep that by me to hand to a child on the road, or the boy who delivers the paper, or the girl who makes a nuisance of herself batting her ball over into my garden. You will notice the Y.P. Supplement is now on a separate sheet and quite easy to remove from the paper.

From time to time we have paragraphs in the paper from different departments of our work; in the May issue one from our Peace Superintendent with this specially striking line, "We must build friendships, not warships." Be more friendly—go out of our way to do the thing that makes friendship. The other day when I stepped from the front exit of a tramcar I carefully shut the door behind the motorman, and was surprised to hear, "Oh, thank you; not many people bother to do that!" I answered that I always made a point of shutting the door if I was the last one or the only one getting off, and I always expected the motorman to give me time to shut the door and get off the tramcar before he started it again. But the point is the friendly contact made with that motorman—the human note struck, and who knows where it may lead. Our Departmental Superintendent's article gives us food for thought in our relations with others, and even the best of us need to be reminded that we don't own the whole world.

## Gambling

Does not the small paragraph on page three of the May number remind us to cut from the papers and send to the Superintendent of the Anti-gambling Department some striking letters that have appeared in the Press recently? Knowing that those making a business of gambling are asking for greater opportunities to do so, is it not our duty to help our Superintendent by giving her material on which to base anti-gambling propaganda? \* Gambling cost this country almost as much as drinking last year. Twenty-five or twenty-six million pounds spent on liquor or gambled away for that which returns no good.

Another interesting and thought-provoking article is that on page four of the same number, re R.K.O. Pictures reply to a letter from the Nelson Union stating that the producers try to minimise excesses in drinking scenes in films. Is there not a point for each one of us, as individuals in the community, to take note of the number of

drinking scenes in a picture we see and the way in which these are used to focus interest on characters or plot, and to report these to our unions?

An article on "Liquid Bread," reprinted from America—is not that worth cutting out and putting in an envelope and sending to someone whom you know is not a **total abstainer**, perhaps one of those moderate, social drinkers?

And the "Beacon," our young people's paper. Detach this and send it to a Bible Class boy or girl, or a Varsity student you know. I think Varsity students—flung as they are into the unnatural atmosphere of a small world of people all approximately the same age, need a steadying influence. The articles we are getting in the "Beacon," written by young people for young people, are making this paper more valuable than ever.

Again, an article in the back pages of this issue on Child Welfare gives food for thought in our work for humanity. Read it over again and then pass it on to a young mother or a school teacher.

Home Makers' Column and Crossword Puzzle, something to try ourselves and something to pass on; the recipes to a neighbour or friend and the puzzle to a young relative, or a patient in hospital, or one of the house-bound invalids we know.

Do you not like to read what our other branches are doing?

And look at the Literature advertisement and decide whether you, as a member of the union, can spend a few pence on a new leaflet to distribute at your guild or missionary union, or on a Scientific Temperance Instruction booklet to give to a teacher you know.

By this time there will not be much left of your "White Ribbon," and you will probably send to me for another copy; but think, will you, of how far your one copy can go—and see that it goes!

## POLL WORK

**Thames** Union reports that donation of £1 by ex-member shall be spent weekly on advertisements in local paper and that more literature for distribution shall be obtained. The town has been divided into blocks for this purpose.

**Hawera** has purchased literature for distribution.

**Napier** is arranging for the distribution of literature at the Annual Show.

**Feilding** reports that Temperance literature has been delivered from house to house.

**Brooklyn** Union is distributing leaflets.

**Riccarton** reports that the Rev. Mr. Carlyle had distributed 200 pamphlets for them amongst the State houses, and that other ministers were being asked to assist similarly.

**Christchurch** has distributed 1515 leaflets to date.

# Maori Girls' Hostel

## ANNUAL REPORT PRESENTED BY MRS. J. W. LONG (Slightly abbreviated.)

During the year monthly committee meetings have been held at the Hostel, Mrs. Mountjoy presiding and acting as Treasurer for the Donations Account. We regret the withdrawal from the Committee of Miss Harlow, on account of overwork. We owe her a real debt of gratitude for valuable help given at all times.

The work is constant, not easy, and calls for persistent effort built on faith that never wavers, but trusts in the power of God. It goes on from morning to night, day after day. We have had some lovely girls pass through, who are now out in positions where their training will be of great value to them. Many letters are received from them, telling of their love for the home, and its influence on their lives.

The young Maori, coming from the quiet country life to the big, busy city, with all its temptations, may soon be engulfed in wickedness, vice and liquor, unless they are led into the shelter and quietness of Hostel life.

The young people in our hostels are enjoying one of the greatest privileges ever offered them. They learn that one cannot live for self, but must serve others to make a success of the whole. We believe we are undertaking something the Maori people cannot do, and know the results will be seen in the future.

It is almost three years since the Hostel was opened, and during that time over 200 girls have been under our care, some only a short time, others much longer. Our Samoan students are still with us; exercising a splendid influence in the home, as they with others, take part in our Devotions.

A personal contact has been made with ten of the girls' mothers during the year. Some have stayed overnight, and others for a week. All have expressed surprise and gratitude for what has been done. We hope to have the pleasure of meeting many more mothers in the days ahead. The invitation extended by the Matron to Unions to visit the Hostel and hold a meeting, as is usually done, or spend a social hour, has proved a great success. Interest has been deepened and many useful gifts have come to the Hostel as a result. Mr. Long has been kept busy mending and repairing, and has built a good fowl-house for the fowls we raise ourselves, and which are now providing us with a good supply of fresh eggs and some for the time when they will be scarce. The garden has been levelled and planted, new paths made, and the work goes on steadily.

Several functions have taken place during the year which have given the Matron, Master, Molly and the girls much pleasure. A Christmas Party was given and the Committee agreed that each girl should receive a small gift. This was a real surprise, and Mrs. Kasper, as Dominion Vice-Presi-

dent, was asked to distribute the gifts. The girls arranged their own programme of action songs, and had their own chairman. The Matron and Master provided the supper and ice-cream.

A Kitchen Evening was given one of our oldest girls who was leaving to be married, this also being a great success.

The great event of the year was the coming-of-age of Molly, our assistant and cook, a splendid girl, whose Christian influence and example speak with no uncertain sound. To show our appreciation of her stand among the girls, we decided to give her a birthday party. To keep it a secret was another matter. However, we managed, and Molly received a tremendous surprise as she arrived by taxi at the Presbyterian Church to find 78 friends waiting to receive her. Mr. King took charge, and it was a really splendid evening. Sister Jessie from the Hepburn Street Hostel with a party, and Mr. King with a party of his Maori boys came along. Several of our members came. The beautifully iced cake was Molly's great thrill. She did not want it cut, but wanted to keep it and just look at it. Many beautiful presents were brought for Molly, and the evening closed with Devotions conducted by Mr. King.

Miss C. McLay also gave the girls a pleasant evening in the form of a Lantern Lecture evening, and a Temperance talk, this being much enjoyed.

During the year we have suffered the great loss of Miss L. Read, one of our first helpers. Her memory will always remain in our Hostel. A gift of mats came from her just before her death.

We now have, through a gift sent by Mrs. Lee Cowie of California, and the Misses Pyle, a very nice bedstead and bed, with a silver plate inscribed: "A loving tribute to the memory of Lydia Read from Mrs. Lee Cowie and the Misses Pyle." We are greatly indebted to these ladies for this loving expression of appreciation.

Another very valued friend has been called to Higher Service. I refer to Mr. W. D. Glaister, whose kindly interest and lovely messages endeared him to us all. Through the loving thought of Mrs. Glaister, we have today a new bathroom added to the Hostel for the use of the Matron and Master. We are most grateful. The room is now ready for use.

Two new sets of concrete tubs have been put in the washhouse. These were very much needed.

Still another addition has been made in the shape of a new refrigerator, made necessary by the long week-ends and the large stocks to be laid in. We are most thankful for this.

The Hostel pays its own expenses and has also paid for £50 worth of household goods, including bedsteads, mattresses, and many other items. We have ended the year with a good balance after paying rent, insurances,

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# Great Evangelists and Temperance

No. 4 CHARLES FINNEY

By VICTORIA GRIGG, M.A.

No man was used more mightily in America than Charles G. Finney. He was born in Warren, Connecticut, 1792, but his childhood was spent in New York. At the age of twenty, he commenced teaching in New Jersey, having acquired in the course of his studies a fair knowledge of Latin, Greek, and Hebrew. When he was twenty-six years old, he decided to abandon teaching for the old study of law, and he says that in these studies he found the old authors frequently quoting the Bible, particularly the Mosaic Law. This led to his purchasing the first Bible he had ever owned, and he began to study it intently, taking special note of what Christ had said in regard to prayer and answers to prayer.

He noticed that at the Church he attended the members were always praying for revival, yet at the same time complaining that they were making no progress in securing it. "On further reading my Bible," he says, "it struck me that the reason why their prayers were not answered was because they did not pray in faith in the sense of expecting God to give them the things that they asked for."

When he was twenty-nine, he passed through an intense religious crisis in his life, when he experienced a very real baptism of the Holy Spirit. He then became a candidate for the Presbyterian ministry, and from that time was very wonderfully used in revival work both in America and England. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, he was used for the conversion of hundreds, and the leading into deeper spiritual life of many church people. His logical arguments, greatly helped by his legal mind, appealed to other lawyers and other professional people, but he helped all classes.

## His Work for Temperance

The cause of Temperance was very dear to Finney's heart, and he stated that he had never known a minister who opposed temperance reformation to have a revival in his church. Finney was just as strong against slavery as against drink. "The time was," he says, "when ministers and Christians could enjoy revivals notwithstanding that ardent spirit was used among them. But since light has been thrown upon the subject, and it has been found that the use is only injurious, **no church member or minister can be innocent and stand neutral in the cause. They must speak out and take sides. And if they do not take ground on one side, their influence is on the other.** Show me a minister who has taken ground against the temperance reformation who has had a revival. Show me one who stands aloof from it and has a revival. Show me one who now temporizes upon this point who has a revival. It did not use to be so.

But now the subject has come up and has been discussed, and is understood, no man can shut his eyes to the truth. The man's hands are **red with blood** (Finney's emphasis), who stands aloof from the Temperance cause, and can he have a revival?"

To him, the silence of Christians upon such evils as slavery and drink was as if they said that they did not consider these evils as sins. He considered that the Church should take up right ground on the subjects of temperance and moral reform, and all subjects of practical morality which came up for discussion from time to time.

"It is not needful," he says, "that a person should rail at the cold water society in order to be on the best terms with drunkards and moderate drinkers. Only let him plead for the moderate use of wine, only let him continue to drink it as a luxury, and all the drunkards account him on their side. If he refuse to give his influence to the temperance cause he is claimed, of course, by the other side as a friend. On all these subjects, when they come up, the churches and ministers must take up the right ground, and take it up openly, and stand to it and carry it through if they expect to enjoy the blessing of God in revivals."

He considered and practised in his own ministry, that the church should cast out of its communion such members as, in contempt of the light that was shed upon them, continued to drink or traffic in ardent spirits, and engaged in the slave trade. How many ministers dare to do this to-day? Such fearlessness, as you may imagine, brought him many enemies, including fellow ministers, but the names of those who opposed him are forgotten, while only recently, extracts from Finney have been reprinted, and are having a good sale. My copy of Finney's Lectures was printed in 1840, so it is over a hundred years old. I am fortunate in possessing the full copy, which so far as I know is not obtainable new to-day. If Finney were alive to-day what would he say about the proposals put forward by the Licensing Commission?

The Commission says there is too much drunkenness, but for some extraordinary reason, evidently in the hope of reducing this, proposes increased hours of sale and widespread facilities for obtaining drink. The Commission has been dealing with a subject that creates a craving for itself, and absolutely ignores the fact that every drunkard was once a moderate drinker, also, that no drunkard ever intended to become such. After the repeal of Prohibition in America, the Brewers stated that they would have to get the taste for beer into thousands of young people who had never known it. It is

## DOMINION PRESIDENT IN STH. AUCKLAND DISTRICT

During some time spent in the South Auckland District in September, Miss Kirk was kept very busy. Arriving in Tauranga on September 10th, she addressed, the same afternoon, a meeting of the Methodist Ladies' Guild, proceeding the next day to Opotiki, a hundred miles down the Bay of Plenty. Here she spoke at the monthly meeting of the Local Union, who were very delighted to be visited by the Dominion President, and also addressed the Women's Institute by invitation. The return journey to Tauranga was made on the 13th. On the evening of Sunday, the 15th, Miss Kirk gave the address at the service of the Tauranga Baptist Church, at the invitation of the Minister, the Rev. L. P. Bryan.

On the 16th, a gathering of Tauranga Union members was held at the home of Mrs. Bulmer, one of our members, who was also Miss Kirk's hostess during her stay. Twenty-five members were present and thoroughly enjoyed an informal chat with the guest of honour, this being followed by an account by Miss Kirk of work under present organisation by the Dominion Officers. A bouquet was presented by the President to Miss Kirk, who expressed her pleasure at being able to renew her acquaintance with the members.

On Tuesday evening, the Methodist Bible Class had the privilege of a talk by Miss Kirk, and the following day the journey to Te Awamutu was taken in readiness for the South Auckland Convention on the 19th. Miss Kirk was the speaker for this, and gave a very informative and inspiring address on the task awaiting the Unions in regard to the poll. She also presided for the election of officers and led the opening devotions for the morning session.

As a conclusion to the activities in the district, Miss Kirk attended a meeting specially arranged by the Tauramarunui Union, another Union which does not have many opportunities of making contact with Dominion officers, where great appreciation of her visit was expressed, one new member being gained at the meeting.

The district is greatly indebted to Miss Kirk for the cheering and very valuable effect of her visit, and hopes that the rainy weather experienced at the time will not deter her from making a return visit when opportunity occurs.

the duty of every Christian man and woman to fight any increase whatever in the facilities for drinking, and the sale of liquor.

Says Charles Finney: "The evils have been exhibited. The call is made for reform. And what is to reform mankind but the truth? And who shall present the truth if not the Church and the Ministry? Away with the idea that Christians can remain neutral and yet enjoy the approbation and blessing of God."

## In Memoriam

### MRS. KATE DOWNING Dunedin Central Union

The Dunedin Central Union lost a valiant warrior for our cause when Mrs. Kate Downing was called home on the 19th of September.

Mrs. Downing was an outstanding woman, brave and fearless. Right was right with her. She never compromised, but hit the Liquor Trade whenever she had an opportunity, and she sought opportunities. She was optimistic as to the ultimate victory over the drink trade. One of her last messages was: "Keep the flag flying."

She wrote excellent letters to the Press when we needed to show our colours, and always gave a logical reason for fighting beverage alcohol.

She will be greatly missed for her vigilant watch over happenings through drink reported in the newspapers, for her faithful attendance, and for her cheerful courage. We can ill spare from our ranks a woman of Mrs. Downing's calibre, and trust that others will join who will carry on the work with the same outspoken and fearless denunciation of drink, and with the faith that God will give the victory when the women of our land are found faithful. I saw her a few hours before the call came. She asked for prayer, and said, "Thank you, thank you. God bless you for ever, and bless our 'White Ribbon' sisters. How I love the white ribbon bow. It cheers my heart to see it."

—JESSIE HIETT.

### MRS. H. GRINSTEAD, JUNIOR Wanganui Central

It is with deep regret that Wanganui Central has to record the death of Mrs. H. Grinstead, Junior, who passed away recently, after some weeks of suffering in hospital.

Our sister was a real live member, and held the offices of Recording Secretary, Superintendent of the Cradle Roll, L.T.L., Band of Hope, and any other duty she was asked to undertake. With marked success she coached the children for the Annual Scientific Temperance Examinations, and on different occasions her son, Eric, won

the Gold Medal with highest marks.

Mrs. Grinstead loved the work connected with the Union, which indeed was really part of her. With an optimistic outlook, she was always cheerful and helpful.

As a link between the Alliance, per Grandpa Grinstead, Palmerston North, she kept us up to date, and we shall miss her at every turn.

At our monthly meeting tribute was paid by several members, all of whom deeply deplored her passing, and a silent vote of sympathy with her husband (who was her help-mate in all Temperance activities) and her grown-up family of two sons and two daughters was passed.

In Church activities she took a prominent part, and was leader of the "Kinders," where she will be much missed.

The funeral, which was conducted by Mr. L. R. H. Beaumont, B.A., of the Church of Christ, was largely attended, and with the many beautiful floral emblems testified to the high esteem in which our good and worthy sister was held.

—ANNIE DUXFIELD.

### MRS. E. A. FELTON North Brighton Union

On August 27th, at Christchurch, a much-loved foundation member of the North Brighton Union, Mrs. E. A. Felton, passed on to Higher Service.

Mrs. Felton was in her 85th year, and remained to the last an active Temperance worker. During the war a knitting circle was held at the home of Mrs. Compton, one of our members, under the auspices of our Union. Mrs. Felton always attended each week to do her bit towards comforts for North Brighton Servicemen. She was a true Christian and read her Bible every day. For years she was a great sufferer, but rarely murmured about it. Near the end, she said to a minister, "Tell my friends not to weep for me. I am ready to go." Mrs. Felton has been aptly called, "A grand old lady." She will be greatly missed from our Union.

—E. GOLDMAN.

## COMMENT ON REPORT OF LICENSING COMMISSION

The Rev. R. B. Spence, M.A., minister of Knox Church and President of the New Zealand Alliance, Dannevirke branch, in response to a request made the following statement to the Evening News on the recent report of the Royal Commission on Licensing:—

"The evidence before the Royal Commission brought to light a wealth of information, some of it most startling, which would otherwise never have seen the light. In this respect at least the commission has made a contribution to our knowledge. If the liquor traffic is to remain, a redistribution of licences is inevitable.

"It is recommended 'that information be made available both in the schools

and to adults on the latest scientific findings on the effects of alcohol and the use and abuse of alcoholic liquors.' This scientific knowledge is already being taught in some public schools by permission of Education Boards, but it is so emphatically against the consumption of alcoholic liquors in any form that it is quite obvious members of the commission themselves have not read what they urge upon others. Such scientific findings make the commission's recommendations to extend drinking facilities in evenings, in restaurants, cabarets, and private parties groundless and irrational.

"The report falls down badly also in its neglect to recognise the moral life

of the country and the deleterious effect that extended drinking facilities will have. If the experiment in Invercargill is any criterion, the drinking shops opened there are teaching young people to take spirituous liquors at an alarming rate. And what will night traffic do. 'Righteousness alone exalteth a nation.' In 1939 New Zealand spent £9,000,000 on liquor, in 1945, £13,000,000. Does anyone imagine that extended drinking facilities will uplift the nation, or reduce the toll that liquor takes of human life? The scientific findings of medical men, ministers and social workers are in flat contradiction to the report on this issue.

"The commission speaks of safeguards because of 'the definite view of the majority that intoxicating liquor is a commodity with dangerous possibilities and therefore, in the public interest, requiring safeguards not ordinarily necessary.' Those suggested are a strict watch on the character of licensees and heavy penalties for breaches of the law. The existing legislation provides adequate penalties. More legislation will mean nothing, unless the police, the law courts, and Licensing Committees are prepared to enforce it.

"In regard to the King Country I am prepared to take Sir Robert Stout's word before that of Mr. Justice Smith. Sir Robert declares 'that there was a bargain made between the Maoris and the Government that this district was to be kept free from the sale of spirituous liquors. . . . We got on that territory on this condition—no alcoholic liquor was to be sold in that district.' Any Government, therefore, that re-introduces liquor to the King Country has no honour and deserves the worst that comes to it.

"Regarding State control and ownership, the Labour Party will make the Invercargill experiment their first and last if they are wise, or their liquor policy will smash them."

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## JUST A REMINDER

### MAORI GIRLS' HOSTEL "SMALL DONATIONS FUND"

Contributions are now due if you wish to renew

The work of the W.C.T.U. Hostel in Parnell goes on actively and is filling a very great need in the lives of many Maori girls.

Some very greatly needed additions and repairs are being undertaken, and your financial help will be very much appreciated.

Donations may be sent to the Matron, Mrs. J. W. Long, 9 Cleveland Road, Parnell, Auckland; or to Miss McLay, 115 Bassett Road, Remuera, Auckland, S.E.2. —C. M. McLAY.

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### DONATIONS TO WHITE RIBBON DAY FUND

The donations from the following Unions are acknowledged with many thanks:—

Upper Hutt, 10/-; Onehunga, 10/-. Total, £1. Total received to 10th October, 1946, £31/15/6.

# Home Makers' Column

By "LYNETTE."

**Remember:** Health of body helps toward health of mind.

## LEGUMES

New Zealand is particularly well suited to the cultivation of legumes, quantities of peas and beans being exported for use as seed in other countries and for drying. The "pulses" are an excellent group of foods which are frequently overlooked. Many gardeners do not realise that we can grow our own haricot beans. Besides the many varieties of peas and beans, we also have in this group lentils and peanuts. Yes, the peanut does belong to this botanical family, though in composition and food value it is more closely allied to the nuts.

Containing less starch than do cereals, legumes are classed in the diet as proteins, having a food value comparable to lean meat, fish, eggs and cheese. The quality of proteins is, however, lower in vegetable than animal foods. Legumen, the protein in pulses, is similar to the casein in milk, with the great difference that it is an "incomplete" protein which cannot build tissue or support life unassisted. That is why legumes, on the whole, must be supplemented by animal protein, such as cheese or milk, to complete the body-building which is the function of proteins.

With the exception of peanuts, legumes are deficient in fat and in a savoury dish the addition of bacon fat, dripping or butter is an improvement. Vitamin B is found in good supply, and vitamins A and C in varying amounts, but as a source of vitamins

legumes are less important than as a source of minerals, particularly iron and phosphorus, which go toward the formation of healthy blood and bone.

This explains why Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego were found fairer of countenance, sturdier of build than King Nebuchadnezzar's other captives, who took the meat and wine which these others refused.

The two main principles in the cooking of legumes are to restore the moisture lost in drying, and to soften the cellulose. Though lentils require no soaking, peas and beans (dried) should be soaked for ten or twelve hours. Soft water is better than hard for the cooking of legumes and baking soda helps to soften them. Allow half a teaspoonful to one quart of water, and pour this off after 10 minutes boiling; thereafter boiling in plain water, not adding salt, which hardens foods, till the end of the cooking period.

### Pea Souffle

1 cup cooked split peas, or 1 cup tinned peas  
1 teaspoon salt  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon pepper  
4 tablespoons milk  
4 egg whites

Rub peas through a sieve, add salt, pepper and milk. Fold in stiffly beaten egg whites. Put into a greased dish and bake twenty minutes in a moderate oven.

### Baked Beans

Soak two cups small white beans overnight. Drain and bring to the boil in fresh water with  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon baking soda. Change water after ten

minutes' boiling. When cooked, put into a colander and run cold water over them. Put into fire-proof dish with salt, pepper, one-third lb. of cut bacon, 1 tablespoon golden syrup, tomatoes if desired, and cook for several hours in a very slow oven or hay-box. Add water occasionally if cooked in the oven. Just before serving, add quarter cup grated cheese.

## TEMPERANCE FACTS

Given at Dargaville, September 10th: "When drink goes in, sense goes out."

Given at Kohi-St. Heliers: "Alcohol is of very little use as a medicine."

Given at Palmerston North by Mrs. Boniface: "5 to 6% alcohol in beer; 35% alcohol in Australian sweet wine; 35 to 40% alcohol in N.Z. wine."

Given at Takapuna by Mrs. Winstone: "Bill Tilden, the great tennis player, says: 'It is certain injury to touch alcoholic drink in any form during play. Alcohol is a poison that affects the mind, the eye, the wind; three essentials in tennis.'"

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM ADDRESSES AND TALKS

Rev. S. Webber, at Kohi-St. Heliers, spoke of the dangerous and difficult present time, giving a call to return to God; to train children early in self-control and unselfishness. The liquor traffic and its dangers were shown to be likely to increase if certain proposals were adopted.

Mr. C. Lopdell, at Onehunga, spoke on Trust Control at Invercargill in a clear and fair manner. He also described the different effects of intoxication in various stages on those in charge of vehicles, and showing from the medical standpoint how the brain is affected. Experiences in Wellington during the war years were also related.

Miss Kirk, Dominion President, speaking at Taumarunui, gave a very full and interesting address on the work and achievements of the W.C.T.U.

Mrs. Clark, in the Devotional session at Hamilton's last meeting, gave a very heart-searching message on the individual attitude as a Christian towards others in our thoughts, words and deeds. To walk with God was the true way of influencing others in the circle in which we moved.

## SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD

No. 6

**Across:** 1. Deleterious. 9. Ore. 10. Urn. 11. M.D. 13. Lapse. 15. Vi. 16. Out. 18. Roe. 19. Bin. 20. Nero. 22. Duet. 23. Elysium. 24. Tend. 26. Opal. 28. Rod. 29. One. 31. Sal. 32. An. 33. Lasts. 35. Ra. 36. Bit. 37. Oat. 39. Elephantine.

**Down:** 1. Demonstrate. 2. Lo. 3. Erl. 4. Tear. 5. Ruse. 6. Ire. 7. On. 8. Scintillate. 12. Due. 14. Poisons. 15. Vie. 17. Trend. 19. Bumps. 21. Old. 22. Duo. 25. Eon. 27. Aar. 29. Oath. 30. Eton. 33. Lip. 34. Sat. 36. Be. 38. Ti.

## CLUES.

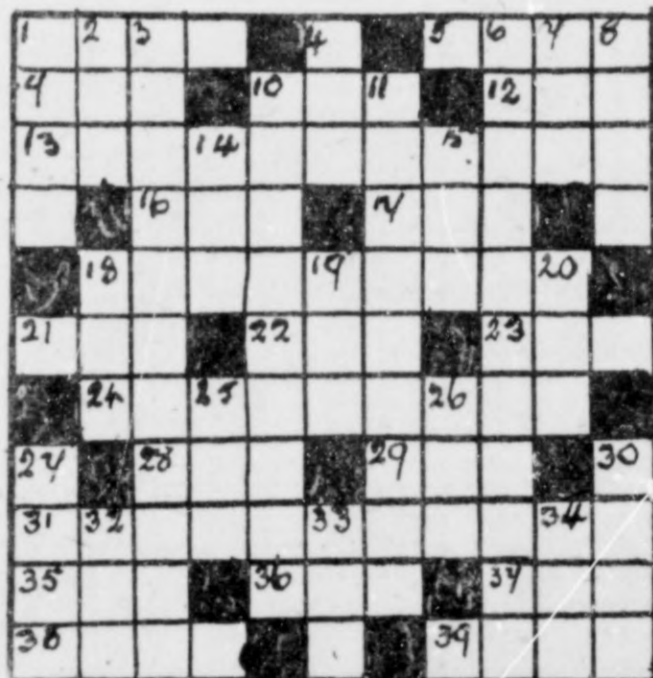
### Across

- 1—Seethe.
- 5—Run easily.
- 9—Vessel.
- 10—Young animal.
- 12—Girl's name.
- 13—Injurious.
- 16—Lubricate.
- 17—Title.
- 18—Obtaining money by undue exercise of force.
- 21—Maori plaything.
- 22—Garland (Hawaiian).
- 23—Marshland.
- 24—Holy Writ.
- 28—Insect.
- 29—The personification of truth.
- 31—Narrow openings.
- 35—Bond.
- 36—Add to.
- 37—Viscous fluid.
- 38—Otherwise.
- 39—A famous dog.

### Down

- 1—Early growths.
- 2—Rock.
- 3—Poisons with alcohol.
- 4—Reduce in intensity.
- 6—Forces backward.
- 7—Eggs.
- 8—Narrative.
- 10—French measure of capacity.
- 11—Without possessions.
- 14—Slower. (Musical abb.)
- 15—North Island Industries (abb.).
- 18—Goddess of morning.
- 19—Material.

## "W.R. CROSSWORD" — 7



- 20—Born.
- 25—Royal Naval Engineers (abb.).
- 26—Prefix meaning "one."
- 27—May be worse than a bark.

- 30—One of a Mohammedan sect.
- 32—Nothing.
- 33—Alpine sport equipment.
- 34—Corrode.

# Bulletin of Union News

## NORTHLAND DISTRICT

Dargaville had a small attendance on September 10th. Mrs. Green presided. Apologies received from many. Temperance Fact given. Discussion, following on literature distribution.

Dargaville's report last month inadvertently put under Warkworth.—Editor.

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT

**Executive Meeting.**—October 7th. The District President, Mrs. F. W. Mountjoy presided. Miss J. Campbell led Devotions. Mrs. J. W. Long was appointed District Superintendent for Maori work, and Sister Jessie of "Y" work. A good report of the Hostel work for the month was given by Mrs. Long, who stated that the Hostel was full at present.

A letter was to be sent to Mr. Allum thanking him for the stand he had taken in upholding the law forbidding the showing of films on Sundays.

Further suggestions with regard to Dominion Convention plans were discussed.

Mesdames Mountjoy and Joiner were appointed to represent the W.C.T.U. at a meeting called by the Mayoress to consider a proposed Memorial to the late Miss Ellen Melville.

A letter was received from the Methodist District Youth Council re our request to have Scientific Temperance included in the Syllabus for all Youth Camps. The letter stated that this matter was now in the hands of the Camp Committee, and would not be overlooked.

—ROSE A. JOINER.

**Auckland, October 8th:** Mrs. Long presided. Devotions led by Mrs. Warring. Messages from sick and aged members. Temperance Fact, Mrs. Swan. Reports of District Executive and N.C.W. were received, discussion following. Mrs. Long gave interesting details of Maori Hostel. Mesdames Warring and Massam reported on District Convention very fully. Grants passed for Dominion Headquarters, Dominion Convention expenses, Women Pensioners' Christmas Tea, and Maori Girls' Hostel.

**Onehunga, September 12th:** Interesting address by Mr. Lopdell, ex-superintendent of police. One new member initiated.

**Titirangi, September 17th:** At Mrs. McFarlane's home, "Dundonald." Very good attendance. Miss C. M. McLay presiding. Mrs. Hiett, C.R. superintendent, was presented with the Dominion Banner for 1945. Major A. T. Dow gave an interesting address on "The Franchise and its Responsibilities," referring to his work with the N.Z. Alliance. Solo by Mrs. Campbell greatly enjoyed.

**Kohi-St. Heliers, September 19th:** At the home of Mrs. Lediard. Mrs. Farr led Devotions. Address by the Rev. S. W. Webber, for which a warm vote of thanks was accorded him. Thanks also to Mrs. Lediard.

**Takapuna:** October meeting fairly well attended. Mrs. Morgan-Richards presiding. Devotions, Miss Culler, followed by prayer, Mrs. Escott. Mrs. Petchell gave a fine report of the District Convention, and voiced the opinion of all members in strong objection to the opening of hotel bars in the evening, also the serving of liquor in restaurants. Collection for towels for the Maori Hostel. Temperance Fact, Mrs. Winstone. Mrs. Prussing gave details of food parcel sent to a Branch in England on our behalf. Pledge. Benediction. Afternoon tea.

**Warkworth, October 10th:** Good attendance; several visitors. Maori Day observed by "Bring-and-Buy" and special collection for Maori Hostel. Time spent in making arrangements for Alliance Organiser. Special afternoon tea. Mesdames H. Torkington and R. Moore, Convention delegates to Auckland Convention gave reports, both stressing the great need to interest youth and young married people in Temperance work, and the keynote of Convention, "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of."

## SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

**Executive Meeting.**—Held at Te Awamutu prior to District Convention. Five Unions represented, Mrs. Christian presiding. Opening with prayer, the meeting discussed the needs of the district in regard to the visit of Miss Appleby, Dominion Organiser. It was

agreed that Unions which had suffered from the war years in various ways and had not recovered their strength should be visited if arrangements could possibly be made. Otoro-hanga and Taumarunui were felt to be in need of help. Miss Kirk's work during her stay in the district had been very helpful. It was agreed that Convention be recommended to contribute £5 to Dominion Funds. It was also to be a recommendation to Convention that the South Auckland District should be divided into a Bay of Plenty and a Waikato area. Arrangements regarding Convention were finalised, and Mrs. Gatman closed with prayer.

**Hamilton, October 3rd:** Mrs. Gatman presided, Mrs. Clark leading Devotions. Mrs. Burt reported on the District Convention. The reading of Isaiah 62, v. 10 by a delegate had struck an impressive note. All business had been of progressive nature and of high spiritual value. Members stood in silence in memory of a beloved member who had passed during the week. Benediction.

**Taumarunui, September 26th:** Good attendance of members and friends, Mrs. Coulson presiding. Devotions and Temperance Fact. Speaker, Miss Kirk, Dominion President. A member gained. Good response to an appeal for funds for literature. Benediction and a happy half-hour of chat with Miss Kirk.

**Thames, October 2nd:** Devotions conducted by President, Mrs. Paul, and Roll Call of texts and quotations on "Service." Report of District Convention read by delegate. Accounts passed for payment. Benediction.

**Tauranga, October 1st:** Good attendance, Mrs. Christian presiding. Devotions led by Miss Daphne Maunder. Reports on Band of Hope, N.C.W., District Convention (Mrs. Maunder), and Financial Statement. Maori Day observed by special prayer. "Bring-and-Buy" for Maori Fund. Two new members initiated.

**Te Awamutu:** District Convention held on ordinary meeting day, members all assisting in providing morning and afternoon tea and luncheon. Flowers presented to all District Officers and the Guest of Honour, the Dominion President, Miss Kirk, whose address was inspiring. Delightful solos by Mrs. Wade and elocutionary items by Mrs. Hull.

## TARANAKI DISTRICT

**Hawera Union** celebrated "Franchise Day" at their last meeting, taking up collection for N.Z. Fund. Mrs. Page, Acting President in chair, and took Devotions. Mrs. Page made feeling reference to the death of Mrs. Bone, and to her good works, especially in the Temperance cause. Members stood in silent sympathy with the family. Mrs. Page led in prayer and Mrs. Tozer sang "Abide With Me." Mrs. Bone was a foundation member of the Union, and Mr. Bone was an honorary member. Several Temperance Facts given. Secretary to send letters of sympathy to three sick and sorrowing members. Tea hostesses, Mesdames Page and Burton. Major Woolford, the Guest speaker, closed the meeting with prayer and Benediction. His address was on Roto Roa Island, and the Army Home for inebriates.

## WANGANUI DISTRICT

**Wanganui Central, October 3rd:** Mrs. Goodey presided, and Mrs. Duxfield led Devotions. Tea hostesses, Miss Wadsworth and Mrs. Duxfield. Ten present. Letters of sympathy to be sent to members absent through sickness, their own or their husband's. Mrs. Clarke welcomed on her recovery. Carefully prepared financial report presented. "White Ribbons," "Vanguards" and religious papers to be sent to Mr. Tate for Bay of Plenty Maori work. Big bundles of good magazines sent to Y.W. and Y.M.C.A.'s. Much-appreciated clothing sent to CORSO. Letter from Alliance re questions to Parliamentary candidates read and discussed. Reports from Dominion Officers and three N.C.W. remits were discussed. The latter were received but felt to be beyond the technical knowledge of members. Remits for District Convention were discussed.

## HAWKE'S BAY DISTRICT

**Executive Meeting, September 11th:** Apologies from Gisborne representative, because of travel restrictions, and from Mrs. Smales, of Waipukurau, because of illness. Delegates from Dannevirke, Waipawa, Hastings and Napier in attendance.

Meeting just about to commence when the District Secretary, Miss Ennor, was called away on account of the passing away of her

brother in Auckland. Members expressed sympathy with the bereaved. Sympathy was also extended to the family of Mrs. Macalister, a dearly beloved pioneer member, and to Mrs. McDonald, of Wairoa, in the death of a son.

Reports from Unions show varied evidence of renewed life and continued interest, and it was felt that in many cases the devastating report of the Licensing Commission had acted as a stimulant to the careless and apathetic. Plans for the forthcoming Show in October were again discussed. A Marquee and Stand have been secured, and newly-formed Alliance Branches are to be approached for help and co-operation in the setting up of a worth-while Temperance display. Suggestions for attempting to put new life into Unions were considered and practical steps decided upon. Annual meeting arrangements were discussed and certain features agreed upon. Mrs. Calcott, of Dannevirke, closed the meeting with prayer.

Napier Union hosted visiting delegates for luncheon and afternoon tea.

**Napier Union, September 17th:** Mrs. Lewis presided over fair attendance. Devotions, Mrs. Oldham. Arrangements made for Blind Folks' Parties, and Huhurere Girls' School. Arranged to assist weaker branches to be visited by contribution to District Funds. Mrs. Lewis impressed the need to be equipped with Temperance Facts and to make them known. Band of Hope commenced with eighteen members on the roll. The afternoon took the form of "Information," several members giving extracts from the "W.R." and "Vanguard." Prayer in closing.

## MANAWATU DISTRICT

**Feilding, October 2nd:** Mrs. Spence in the chair. Mrs. Kendall led Devotions from 1st Psalm. Prayer, Mrs. Cummin. Report from Dominion Headquarters was read. C.R. Social plans made. Vote of appreciation to our President for her splendid work for the "O. and G." appeal. Collection taken up for Maori Fund. A delegate appointed for District Convention. Closing prayer by Mrs. Tremaine.

**Palmerston North, October meeting:** Devotions, Mrs. J. W. Buchanan, also solo. Recitations, Miss R. Edwards, who also gave report of work among seamen. Parcels brought for the New Plymouth "Rest," and some food brought for parcels for Britain, these to be sent away by Mrs. Coles.

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT

**Lower Hutt, September 25th:** The Annual Social and Reunion of members. The following took part: Mesdames Clarke and Crawford sang solos, and Mrs. Buck gave a very interesting reading from Anne Hepple. A competition was won by Mrs. Bayley. Hostesses were Mesdames Aldersley and Slinn. Benediction.

**Brooklyn, September 24th:** Mrs. Billings, Vice-President, in the chair. Devotions, Mrs. Greenwood. Pledge. Miss Appleby cordially welcomed, also Miss Strong, Central Branch, and all members. Temperance Fact, Mrs. Dudley. District Executive report, Miss Cracknell. Memorial Day, tribute to deceased members was observed with a Service of Memory. Miss Appleby gave a most interesting and educative address, a vote of thanks being carried by acclamation. Mrs. Gillings conveyed greetings from Mesdames Kasper and Prussing, Auckland, the latter being a past member and for a time secretary of this branch, during her residence in Wellington. Sigil Prayer and Benediction. Baptist ladies were tea hostesses, serving a very dainty afternoon tea.

## \* NELSON DISTRICT

**Nelson, September 10th:** Mrs. Toomer presided over a good attendance of members and friends. Mrs. Grigg, President North Canterbury District, was welcomed as Guest speaker, and gave a very interesting talk on the beginnings of Temperance Reform. Mrs. Grigg spoke of the fearlessness of great Temperance leaders in the past, stressing the need for fearless workers to carry on the present-day fight. Mrs. Grigg was warmly thanked for her address, and presented with a bouquet. Benediction.

## MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT

**Springlands, 17th September:** At home of President. Ten members and two visitors. Deep sympathy with Mr. W. J. Neal in the loss of his young wife, and Cradle Roll mother. Message from Mrs. Doggett. Members reported distribution of literature. Roll Call well

responded to. Special piece from "W.R." read re Franchise, and the subject "What Have New Zealand Women Gained by the Franchise?" was discussed by several members. A sales table provided timely assistance to the funds.

#### NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

**Riccarton**, September 12th: Good attendance. Devotions led by President. Three invitations to attend other meetings received. Three letters of sympathy sent, and flowers to a sick member. Clothes, a hot-water bottle, and tatting cotton had been taken to patients in the Mental Hospital. Extract for "W.R." Day read from "W.R." by President. Royal Commission findings discussed. Recitations given by Mrs. Collins. Members brought in their pyramid cards, and £15/5/3 so far has been handed in. Hostesses, Mesdames Gundy and Wain. President thanked Mrs. Collins, and closed the meeting with prayer.

**Reefton**, September 10th: At the home of Mrs. Thompson. Mrs. Thompson presided over a good attendance of members. Franchise Day observed, Mrs. Absolom reading "The Franchise," from the "W.R." Collection for N.Z. Fund. Tea hostesses, Mesdames Thompson and Bannion. Mrs. Waddell closed the meeting with the Benediction.

**Christchurch**, September 11th: Miss C. Henderson presided. Mrs. B. James elected as delegate to District Convention. To celebrate Franchise Day, Mrs. Horwood, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Taylor, gave an address on the meaning of the word "franchise"; also comments on the title of our Union.

September 25th: Miss Henderson presided and gave an address on some of the findings of the Royal Commission on Licensing.

**Sydenham**, October 3rd: Our President, Mrs. J. Filer, in the chair, fourteen members being present. Devotions conducted by Mrs. Davies. Pledge re-affirmed and a Temperance Fact given. Invitation received from Opawa Branch to attend their meeting on the 22nd October. The letter from Miss Kirk with regard to the proposed Temperance Caravan was read. District Executive report was given by Mrs. Filer, and members were invited to take part in a Church Parade to be held at Addington Methodist Church on 13th October. Mesdames Davies, Thorne, Filer and Drewett reported interestingly on the District Convention. Temperance Essay: The Secretary reported having interviewed the new Headmaster of Sydenham School, and received his consent to allow pupils of Standard Four to answer a series of questions on the Temperance Teaching during the year. First and Second prizes will be awarded respectively to boys and girls. One new member was initiated.

#### SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

**Waimate**: August meeting well attended, President leading Devotions. Pledge. Mrs. Ashton, Hospital visitor for month. Four papers given by members of the Executive on "Home Nursing," "Youth," "Women of Note," and "Equal Rights." All ladies accorded a hearty vote of thanks. Temperance Doxology.

September 11th: Good attendance. Devotions led by President. Temperance Fact, Mrs. Johns. Members stood in silence as a mark of respect to our late member, Mrs. George Dash, who was one of our foundation members and did a wonderful work for our cause. Sincere sympathy with Mr. Dash in his sad loss. Mrs. Captain Stark, of the Salvation Army, spoke on Maori work, showing the great need of work among the Native race. A collection for the Maori Fund was taken up, and Mrs. Stark thanked for her talk. Meeting closed with prayer.

#### OTAGO DISTRICT

**South Dunedin**, 4th Thursday: Mrs. Rippin presided, and Mrs. Smith led Devotions. President read "Our Duty to God and Our Neighbour" from the Church Catechism. Mrs. Dow, late of Waimate Union, gave brief talk on methods of work, giving prominence to work among children. District Convention held the previous day at Port Chalmers, several members attending. Mrs. Rippin reported fully, criticising action of members who left before closing of Convention. For a "Dry" assembly, it was a very cold, "wet" day.

**Port Chalmers**, September 18th: At the home of Mrs. Smillie; 16 present. In absence of Mrs.

Chambers, Rev. Chambers acted as secretary. Congratulated on birth of son. Usual business quickly dispensed with and preparation made for District Convention on September 25th. Delegates appointed—Mrs. Taylor (President), Mrs. Mirams (Treasurer), Mrs. Smillie (from Branch). Catering arranged and members accepted responsibilities. Thanks to hostess.

#### SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

**Lawrence**, October 3rd: Fair attendance. Miss Ferguson, President, in the chair. Feeling reference made to the death of Mrs. Sanders, of Dunedin. Letter from Mrs. Toomer read. Reported that nine children sat Temperance Examination. President read an article entitled "Building a Wall for the Home Front."



### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### DOMINION CONVENTION

March, 1947

Will delegates requiring hospitality please send names and addresses to

Miss E. Williams,

"Armley," Queen Street,

Northcote,

Auckland, N.Z.,

not later than 1st February, 1947?

All delegates must remember to bring Ration Books.

#### CORRECTIONS

An inadvertence caused an error in the report of an address given at Oamaru. The amount of the N.Z. drink bill was given as £213,000,000, instead of £13,000,000. We apologise and thank correspondents for calling attention thereto.—Editor.

Another mistake occurred when North Brighton was credited with a gift for Headquarters, of £1/14/-, this amount having been contributed by New Brighton.—Editor.

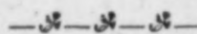
#### "WHITE RIBBON" DAY CONTRIBUTIONS

from the following Unions are acknowledged with many thanks:—Upper Hutt, 10/-; Onehunga, 10/-. Total received to 10th October, 1946, £31/15/6.

#### ANNUAL MEETINGS

Please remember to send in your nominations for Dominion Officers, which must be in the hands of the Recording Secretary by November 30th.

Also, remember to make sure that all your departmental reports are sent in either to your District Superintendent, District Secretary, or the Dominion Superintendents of the Departments.



### NEW MEMBERS FOR NORTH CANTERBURY

#### For August

Linwood	1	New Member
Rangiora	1	" "
Sydenham	1	" "
Spreydon	1	" "
Woolston	1	Transfer

#### For September

Spreydon	1	New Member
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### MARY S. POWELL

#### A LOVING TRIBUTE

The old Methodist hymn came to my mind as I read of the passing of my dear friend, Miss Powell.

"Rejoice for a sister deceased;

Our loss is her infinite gain;

A soul out of prison released;

And freed from its bodily chain."

And that is the spirit in which I wish to write of her.

Only a school girl when we first met, she was my true friend all through the years. Her sympathy and understanding, her encouragement and affectionate interest in all my work have been among the strongest influences in my life.

As I have grown older, I have appreciated her gifts of mind and character. She was a gifted speaker, a born organiser, and an indefatigable and tactful member of our Union.

Reference has been made to her work as our National Organiser. I have a vivid memory of what that meant in one country district. The depth of winter, rain and muddy roads, opposition to, and criticism of, her work; tiring and trying interviews with people, and many discouragements. But she had strong faith in Divine Guidance; and succeeded in forming a Union. Her faith is justified by the flourishing branch there today.

The Temperance Union was only part of her work, for wherever she went she sought to win recruits for the Master's service. She bore her witness in her own life and in her private conversation with others. There are many who remember how she spoke of the Saviour she loved and served so faithfully. The memory of her life and work is a call to us for greater efforts. Let us try to be more courageous, consistent and charitable. Let us do all we can to win others for Christ.

For her, we rejoice to remember that

"The voyage of life's at an end,

The mortal affliction is past;

The age that in Heaven they spend

For ever and ever shall last."

Margaret A. L. Smart.

#### Maori Girls' Hostel—from page 5.

two sets of rates, which are high, radio, telephone, gas, electricity, repairs in small items, and keeping a stock in hand.

The expenses do not grow less, and there are items that will need attention very soon, so I am going to appeal for assistance in this great work. First, I appeal for your continued prayer support. I ask for your help to extend the Kingdom of God and His Christ among these people, to bring them into the light and liberty of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

My grateful thanks are extended to all who have helped in any way towards the work among the daughters of the most wonderful Native race in the world.

Yours in this great work,

MIRIAM LONG.

**AUCKLAND DISTRICT EXECUTIVE**, 1st Monday, at 1.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. F. Mountjoy, 71 Quadrant Road, Onehunga, S.E.5; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Long, Maori Girls' Hostel, 9 Cleveland Road, Parnell, C.4; Cor. Sec., Miss A. McLay, c/o 115 Bassett Road, Remuera, S.E.3; Rec. Sec., Mrs. J. Joiner, 92 Lincoln Road, Ponsonby, W.1; Treas., Mrs. Prussing, 1 Campbell Road, Takapuna, N.2.

**ARAMOHO**, St. David's Church, 2.15 p.m., last Thursday. Pres., Mrs. E. Chesswas, 7 Feild St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. A. Greig; Cor. Sec., Mrs. A. Gilmour, 2 Paterson St.; Treas., Mrs. H. Good, 2A Paterson St.; W.R., Mrs. Suddaby, 20 Cumbræ Place.

**ASHBURTON**, 1st Tuesday, in Baring Sq. Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Adj. Smith, Cameron St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. M. Holmes, 78 Chalmers St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Harwood, 12 Allord Forest Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Tullock, 23 Peter St. W.; "W.R.", Mrs. Tinker, 152 Aitken St.; C.R., Mrs. Lion; Seamen, Miss C. Jackson and Mrs. Tilly.

**AUCKLAND**, 2nd Tuesday, at Y.W.C.A., Upper Queen St., at 2.15 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Long, Maori Girls' Hostel, 9 Cleveland Rd., Parnell. Sec., Miss Dewar, 4 Pompaire Tce., Ponsonby, W.1; Treas., Mrs. Swan, 18 Maungarei Rd., Remuera, S.E.2; W.R., Mrs. Holmes, 100 Arney Rd., Remuera, S.E.2.

**BALCLUTHA**, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Sec., Mrs. Allfrey, Main Rd., North Balclutha.

**BIRKENHEAD**, 2nd Tuesday, Zion Hill Hall, 1.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs. C. Utting; Sec., Mrs. Wanhill, Marama Terr.; Treas., Mrs. N. Wilson, Ocean View Rd.; W.R., Mrs. Simpson, Roseberry Ave.

**BLLENHEIM**, 1st Tues., 2.30 p.m., in Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs. N. Forbes, 9 Grady St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. P. A. Stephens, Howick Rd.; Treas., Miss E. M. Tarrant, Park Tce.; C.R., Miss I. Sheridan, South St.; W.R., Mrs. W. J. Gilling, Stephenson St.

**BLUFF**, 1st Thursday, in Presbyterian and Methodist Churches alternately, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Roke, Elizabeth St.; Rec. Sec., Miss Mitchell, Ocean Beach; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Vickery, 36 Parrett St.; Treas., Mrs. Barber, 43 Foyle St.

**BROOKLYN**, 2.30 p.m. Last Tuesday. Pres., Mrs. Brewer; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Jordan; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Sawden, 16 Todman St.; Treas., Mrs. Gittings; W.R., Mrs. Dudley; C.R., Mrs. Sawden.

**BRYNDWR, Christchurch**, 4th Wednesday, St. John's Church. Pres., Mrs. E. R. Clarke; Sec., Mrs. G. Robinson, 12 Warwick Rd., Fendalton; Treas., Mrs. L. R. Pugh, 65 Hartley Av., Papanui; C.R., Mrs. E. Freeman; "Y" Supt., Mrs. E. R. Clarke.

**CHRISTCHURCH**, W.C.T.U. rooms, corner Chancery Lane and Cathedral Square, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss C. Henderson, J.P., 15 Euston St., Sumner; Rec. Sec., Miss Thomas, 25 Cambridge Terr.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. S. Adkins, 149 Salisbury St.; Treas., Miss M. B. Lovell-Smith, 305 Riccarton Rd., W.2; Assist.-Treas., Miss E. Gordon, 123 Fendalton Rd.; W.R., Mrs. Neutz, 122 Aikman's Rd., Merivale.

**CARTERTON**, 1st Wednesday, in S.A. Barracks, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. F. Tyler; Sec., Mrs. Hunt, Park Road; Treas., Mrs. Peters; Cradle Roll, Miss Edwards; Devotions, Mrs. Every; W.R. Miss Barstow.

**CAMBRIDGE**, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Kemsley, 23 Bryce St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Bycroft; Sec., Mrs. A. L. Lewis, 64 Clare St.; Treas., Mrs. W. Hooker, 60 Queen St.

**DARGAVILLE**, 2nd Tuesday, Methodist S.S. Room, 2.15 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Green, Donnelly's Crossing; Sec., and C.R., Miss Edmed, "Bridge View," Victoria St.; Treas., Mrs. F. J. Moorhead, P.O. Box 2; W.R., Mrs. Noble; C.R., Miss Edmed.

**DANNEVIRKE**, 2nd Tues., Methodist Schoolroom, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Calcott, 45 Swinburn St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Paviour-Smith and Collins; Sec., Mrs. J. S. Holm, 27 Swinburn St.; Treas., Mrs. V. Jones; W.R., Mrs. Paviour-Smith.

**DUNEDIN CENTRAL**, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Baptist Sunday School, Hanover Street. Pres., Mrs. Hiett, 11 Duke St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Maxwell, 17 Opolo Rd.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Jackson, Cannington Rd.; Treas., Miss Macandrew, 11 Duke St.; Less and Parliament, Mrs. Downing; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Miller, 39 Oates St.; Vice-Pres., Sister Elinor, 18 Jones St., Mrs. Ballantyne, and Mrs. Garden.

**DUNEDIN SOUTH**, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Wesley Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Rippin; Sec., Miss McCarthy, 18 Albert St., St. Clair; Treas., Mrs. Graham, 32 Sidey St., Caversham; W.R., Mrs. Madigan, 155 Valley Rd., Caversham.

**ELTHAM**, 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Cocker, Stanners St.; Sec., Mrs. Cox, George St.; Treas., Mrs. Holly, Conway Rd., "W.R.", Mrs. Streeter, London St.; C.R., Mrs. A. Towers, Mabey Rd.

**EDEN**, 3rd Wednesday, from March to November, Walter's Rd. Church of Christ. Pres., Mrs. V. A. Read, 355 Dominion Rd.; Sec., Mrs. G. G. Clark, 129 Balmoral Rd., S.2; Treas., Mrs. J. L. Powley, 3 Shorwell St., Mt. Albert, S.W.1.

**FENCOURT**, 1st Thursday, in Sunday School Hall, at 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. J. Clark, Matangi; Rec. Sec., Miss O. Clark; Cor. Sec., Mrs. E. Holdaway, C/o Hautatu Factory, Cambridge; Treas., Miss L. Clark; W.R., Miss E. Turner; C.R., Mrs. A. Wiseman.

**FEILDING**, 1st Wednesday, St. Paul's Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Spence, Grey St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Stewart and Tremaine; Sec., Mrs. Whisker, Kawa-Kawa Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Kenavan, Grey St.; C.R., Mrs. Hesketh, Grey St.; W.R., Miss Watt, 17 Grey St.; Devotional, Mrs. Kendall; Press Reporter, Mrs. Tremaine; Pianiste, Mrs. Cummin.

**GISBORNE**, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Goffe; Sec., Mrs. Wallen, 443 Aberdeen Road; Treas., Mrs. Coles, 3 Mangapapa Road; C.R., Mrs. Stockman; W.R., Mrs. Mackintosh, 1 Salisbury Road.

**GORE**, 4th Tues., 2.30 p.m., St. Andrew's Hall. Pres., Mrs. E. C. Smith, Afton St.; Treas., Mrs. D. McAskill, Halton St.; Sec., Mrs. C. S. Rose, Onslow St.; C.R. Sec., Mrs. E. C. Smith, Afton St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. T. Stevenson, Canning St.

**GONVILLE**, meets 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. T. R. Clancy, 10 Koromiko Rd.; Sec., Miss Roots; Treas., Mrs. T. R. Clancy; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Parker, 35 Koromiko Rd.

**HAMILTON**, 1st Thursday, in St. Paul's Parlour, London St.; Pres., Mrs. Gatman, Fifth St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Stephenson Craig; Sec., Mrs. Burt, 3 Hardley St.; Treas., Mrs. E. J. Davey, 53 London St.; W.R., Mrs. Bradley, Bell St.; C.R., Mrs. Tucker, Collingwood St.; Literature, Miss Parry; Press, Mrs. T. Hutt.

**HENDERSON**, 3rd Wednesday, Methodist Church, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Chadwick, Great North Road; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Leman, Primoana Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Johnston; C.R., Mrs. Hansen.

**HAWERA**, last Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., in Methodist Bible Class room. Pres., Mrs. R. Thayer, Little Regent St.; Sec., Mrs. Tozer, South Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Barron, 96 Collins St.; C.R., Mrs. Burton, Tawhiti Rd.; "W.R.", Mrs. Barker, Fantham St.; Tea, Mrs. Page.

**HASTINGS**, 4th Thursday, Methodist Y.W. Room. Pres., Mrs. H. Hickmott; Cor. Sec., Mrs. A. G. Pitt, 606 Victoria St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Hagerson; Treas., Mrs. H. Grainger, 612 Grey's Rd.; W.R., Mrs. N. Smith, 102 Townsend St.

**HOKITIKA**, 3rd Wednesday, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Hall. Pres., Miss Potts, Park St.; Sec., Miss L. Berendt, Weld St.; Treas., Miss L. Wilson, Brittan St.; W.R., Mrs. Stoop, Fitzherbert St.

**INGLEWOOD**, 4th Wednesday, 2.15 p.m., Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. Hansen, Rata St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Longbottom; Sec., Mrs. Arthur, Brown St.; Evang., Mrs. Ashworth.

**INVERCARGILL CENTRAL**, 1st Wednesday, Jed. St. S.S. Hall, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Cameron, 33 McMaster St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Ruthven, Wesley and Brown; Sec., Miss McEwan; Treas., Mrs. J. H. Boyd, 143 McMaster St.; C.R., Mrs. Millard; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Pennington; Evangelistic, Mrs. Wesley; Notable Days, Mrs. Ayson.

**INVERCARGILL NORTH**, 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian Sunday School. Pres. and W.R., Mrs. F. W. Jelcoate, 289 Elles Road North; Sec., Miss H. S. Jamieson, 57 Layard Street; Treas., Mrs. N. Henderson.

**INVERCARGILL SOUTH**, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in W.C.T.U. Hall, Grace St. Pres., Mrs. E. Holmes, 204 Kelvin Rd.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Cole, Richards and Lea; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Reidy, 53 Teviot St.; Treas., Miss Griffiths, 235 Crinan St.; W.R., Miss L. Aitken; C.R., Mrs. Crozier; Maori Supt., Mrs. J. Richards; Evang., Mesdames Richards and Beckham; Notable Days, Miss J. McCallum; Musical, Mrs. Lea.

**JOHNSONVILLE**, 2nd Tuesday, at 2 p.m., at Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs. McBride; Sec., Miss Mitchell, 134 Nicholson Road; Khandallah, N.5; Treas., Mrs. H. Johnson, Petherick Crescent; "W.R.", Mrs. McEae; C.R., Mrs. Gandy, Junr.; Y.P., Mrs. Deans.

**KAIAPOI**, last Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m., in W.C.T.U. Hall. Pres., Mrs. A. Stocking, Cam Road; Sec., Miss Hamel, Fuller Street; Treas., Miss S. E. Evans, Fuller Street; W.R., Mrs. Phillips, Sewell Street.

**KARORI**, 1st Tuesday, Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Wood, 316 Main Rd.; Sec., Mrs. Johnson, 2 Shirley St.; Treas., Mrs. Watchman, 78 Campbell St. W.R., Mrs. Horne; C.R., Mrs. Coombe.

**LEVIN**, 2nd Friday, 2.30 p.m., in Salvation Army Hall. Pres., Mrs. Kennerley; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Andricksen, Oxford St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. N. Plaster; Treas., Mrs. Burnham, Oxford St. Nth.; C.R., Mrs. V. Hudson; W.R., Mrs. Storey.

**LINWOOD**, meets last Tuesday, in Baptist Hall. Pres., Mrs. C. R. N. Mackie, 19 Rolleston St.; Sec., Mrs. R. Black, 42 Cranley St.; Treas., Mrs. Beck, 583 Worcester St.; W.R., Mrs. A. Fuller, 20 Buckleys Rd.

**LOWER HUTT**, 4th Wednesday, 2 p.m., Wesley Infant Schoolroom, Laings Road. Pres., Mrs. Spencer, "Chingford," Belmont; Sec., Mrs. Crawford, 48 Waterloo Road; Treas., Mrs. Cooper, 27 Maire Street; C.R., Mrs. Buck, 67 Hautana Street; Devotional, Mrs. Swift; Birthday League, Mrs. Aldersley; W.R., Mrs. Heyes, Melling Road, and Mrs. Teasdale, Kauri Street.

**MT. ALBERT**, 2nd Thursday, Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. Anstoe; Sec. and C.R., Mrs. Glaister, 9 Summit Drive; Treas., Miss McGregor, 11 Eldon Road, Mt. Eden, S.2; W.R., Miss Shepherd, 111 Mt. Albert Road.

**MT. EDEN**, 1st Tuesday, 2 p.m., Methodist B.C. Room. Pres., Miss A. M. McLay, 5a Oaklands Road, Mt. Eden, S.1; Sec., Miss L. Elder, 5a Oaklands Road, Mt. Eden, S.1; Treas., Mrs. Dunham; W.R., Mrs. Carter; C.R., Miss McKinney.

**MASTERTON**, McLennan Hall, Knox Church, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss V. Jackson, 65 Cole St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. H. Speight; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Kitchener, Worksop Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Trevorow, Makora Rd.; W.R., Miss S. Tankersley.

**MAUNGATUROTO**, 2nd Wednesday. Pres., Mrs. H. Flower; Sec. and Treas., Miss Edna Cullen, Brynderwyn; C.R., Miss J. Flower; W.R., Mrs. H. Flower; Birthday League, Mrs. Knightbridge; Temp. Fact, Mrs. Brock.

**MORNINGTON**, Presbyterian Hall, Glen Av. 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Pelling; Sec., Mrs. Wrightson, 10 Roseberry St., Belleknowes; Treas., Miss Ford, 29 Burke St.; W.R., Mrs. Elder, 21 Preston Cres.

**MOSGIEL**, Presbyterian Hall, 2.30 p.m., 3rd Thursday, Feb., May, Aug., and Nov.; Pres., Mrs. Capt. Rix, Lanark St.

**NAPIER**, 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. P. Lewis; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Donnelly and Manyard; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Atherfield, 10 Spencer Road; Cor. Sec., Mrs. R. G. Martin, 56 Battery Road; Treas., Miss Eunor, 62 St. George's Drive; "W.K." Agent, Mrs. Gwynne, 24 Jull Street; C.R., Mrs. Donnelly, Lawrence Road.

**NELSON**, 2nd Tuesday, Burrough House, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Toomer, 17B Wainui St.; Sec., Mrs. F. F. Doel, 5 Mt. Pleasant Av.; Treas., Mrs. W. Andrews, 100 Brook St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Doel; W.R. Reporter, Mrs. C. I. Kidson, 8 Whitby Rd.; Librarian, Mrs. Snodgrass, Collingwood St.; C.R., Mrs. Neal, 8 Endeavour St.; L.T.L. Supts., Mrs. Toomer and Mrs. Neal.

**NEW BRIGHTON**, 1st Thursday, 2.15 p.m., in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. R. Flower; Sec., Mrs. G. Ellis, 79 Arncliffe St.; Treas., Mrs. Inns, 90 Marriott's Road; W.R., Mrs. Holloway, Seaview Road.

**NEW PLYMOUTH**, last Wednesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. W. A. Brown, Dorset Ave.; Vice-Pres., Miss G. A. Drew and Mrs. Wells; Cor. Sec., Mrs. M. Wood, 2 Cutfield Rd.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Oliver, Mt. Edgecombe St.; Treas., Mrs. Morwood, Leach St.; Sec., Seamen's Rest, Mrs. Roy Deare, Hamlyn St.

**NORTH-EAST VALLEY**, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Young Men's Institute. Pres., Mrs. Green, Mechanic St., Dunedin, N.E.1; Sec., Miss Gibbs, 118 North Road; Treas., Mrs. Sanders, 57 Frame St.; Assist. Treas., Mrs. Johnson, 1 Bouverie St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. McLay.

**OAMARU**, Wesley Hall, Eden St., 2.30 p.m., 2nd Monday. Pres., Mrs. Winn, Isis St.; Vice-Pres., Miss Cowan and Mrs. Acutt; Sec., Mrs. McIlwraith, 10 Till St.; W.R., Mrs. Clarke, 62 Tyne St.; C.R., Mrs. Poole.

**ONEHUNGA**, 2nd Thursday, 2 p.m., Methodist Hall, Grey St. Pres., Mrs. Mountjoy; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Ashby and Hickman and Miss Caughley; Rec. Sec., Miss B. Hobden; Cor. Sec., Mrs. A. E. Stacey, 141 Grey St.; Onehunga; Treas., Mrs. A. Fordyce; W.R., Mrs. Ashby; C.R., Miss Caughley; Home Meetings, Mrs. Hutton; Evangelistic, Miss Grigg; L.T.L., Mrs. Moore; Press, Mrs. Mushett; Philanthropic, Mrs. Wadman.

**OTOROHANGA**, last Friday, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. G. F. Webster, Otewa Rd.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Dodson, Mrs. Higgins; Sec., Mrs. J. C. Clark, Te Kuiti Rd.; Treas., Mrs. W. J. Black, Te Kuiti Rd.; W.R., Mrs. C. Hood, Pirongia Rd.

**OXFORD**, 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Coronation Hall. Pres., Mrs. Comyns; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Eyde, Hawke and Fenwick; Sec., Mrs. R. White, Powell's Rd.; Treas., Mrs. G. Jones; W.R., Mrs. E. Magrath; Evang., Mrs. Markham; C.R., Mrs. Early; Band of Hope, Major Fletcher and Mrs. Comyns; Notable Days, Mrs. L. Jones; Flower Mission, Mrs. S. Campbell; Press and S.S. Temperance, Miss Caverhill; Health and Nutrition, Mrs. N. Dalley.

**OTAHUHU**, 3rd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Baptist Hall. Pres., —; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Beaumont, 1 Fairburn Rd.; W.R., Mrs. Ward, 295 Gt. South Rd.

**OPAWA**, 3rd Tuesday, Baptist Church. Pres., Miss E. M. Gainsford; Sec., Mrs. Campbell, 31 Allen St., C.I.; Treas., Mrs. Atkins, 100 Chester St., C.I.; W.R., Mrs. Patrick, 32 Buffon St., Waltham; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Jenkins and Ewart Smith.

**OPOTIKI**, 2nd Thursday, St. John's Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs. J. R. Sinclair; Sec., Mrs. J. W. Gordon, Box 85; Treas., Mrs. J. T. Thompson; W.R., Mrs. Corney; C.R., Miss McCallum.

**PAHIATUA**, 1st Thursday, at 2.30 p.m. in Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs. Wilson; Sec., Mrs. F. Ryan, Tyndall St.; Treas., Mrs. Griffiths, Main St.; W.R., Mrs. Pringle, Princess St.

**PALMERSTON NORTH**, 1st Tuesday, Baptist Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. D. H. Coles, 70 Oxford St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Sexton, 315 Broadway Av.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Claridge; Treas., Miss C. Jamieson, 70 Albert St.; C.R., Miss Connelly and Mrs. McIvor; W.R., Mrs. Carter; Hospital Visitors, Mesdames White and Webb.

**PAPANUI**, 3rd Wednesday, 2.15 p.m., Presbyterian Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Tillman; Rec. Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Hodder, 51 Mary St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Elliott, Cornhill St.; St. Albans; W.R., Mrs. Anderson, Bennett St.; C.R., Mrs. Malcolm.

**PAPATOETOE**, 3rd Wednesday, 2 p.m., Methodist Hall, Kolmar Rd. Pres., Mrs. Bartlett, St. George St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Wilson; Sec., Miss Kimpton, East Tamaki Rd.; Treas., Miss Heaven; W.R., Mrs. Harris.

**PICTON**, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. Millen; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Potter; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. S. E. Wells, Milton Terr.; W.R., Mrs. Martien, Kent St.; Band of Hope and Y's, Mr. and Mrs. Powell.

**PORT CHALMERS**, 3rd Wednesday, 2.15 p.m., Sailors' Rest Room. Pres., Mrs. G. Taylor; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Watson, Wilson and Sanson; Sec., Mrs. J. B. Chambers, 1 Magnetic St.; Treas., Mrs. Mirams; W.R., Mrs. Watson; C.R., Mrs. Farquharson.

**PONSONBY**, St. John's Ladies' Guild Room, 3rd Thursday, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. R. Joiner; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Read, Mrs. Olds, Sister Jessie; Sec., Mrs. L. Osborn; Treas., Mrs. Christopher; White Ribbon, Mrs. Wood; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Millar; Maori Work, Sister Jessie; Evangelistic, Mrs. Read.

**PUKEKOHE** meets 1st Tuesday at 2.30 p.m. in alternate Churches. President, Mrs. Curnow, Prospect Terrace; Secretary, Mrs. Davies, Harris Street; Treasurer, Mrs. Ellis, Sedden Street.

**REEFTON**, 2nd Tuesday, 3 p.m., Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs. Thompson; Sec. and W.R., Mrs. Gilmour, Buller Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Hallaran, Buller Rd.; C.R., Mrs. Sara.

**RAETIHI**, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs. W. H. Sandford; Sec., Miss G. Scarrow; Treas., Mrs. J. Seerup; W.R., Mrs. M. Bernard; C.R., Mrs. McLean.

**RANGIORA**, last Friday, Methodist Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Hodges, 204 King St.; Sec., Mrs. A. J. Smith, 14 Albert St.; Treas., Mrs. Stan Watkins, Southbrook; C.R., Mrs. Hunt, 50 Newnham St.; W.R., Mrs. James Percival St.

**RICHMOND (Nelson)**, 3rd Tuesday, 3 p.m., Baptist Church. Pres., Miss Tarrant; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Cropp; Sec., Mrs. W. A. Lightband, Salisbury Rd.; Treas., Miss E. J. Tarrant; W.R. Agent, Miss Dyson, "Althorpe."

**SOUTHLAND DISTRICT EXECUTIVE**, 2nd Monday, 2.30 p.m., in Women's Rest Room. Pres., Miss V. A. Jamieson; Vice-Pres., Mrs. I. Taylor; Rec. Sec., Mrs. M. Ruthven, Tay St.; Treas., Miss C. Griffiths, 235 Crinan St., Invercargill.

**SYDENHAM**, 1st Thursday, Baptist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. J. Filer, 30 Leitch St., S.W.1; Sec., Mrs. W. E. Drewett, 63 Roker St., S.W.1; Treas., Mrs. Seivers; W.R., Mrs. Julius, 137 Rose St., S.W.1; C.R., Mrs. Garlick.

**TAURANGA**, 1st Tuesday, Methodist Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. F. N. Christian; Sec., Mrs. York, 1st Ave.; Treas., Mrs. Maunder, Roberts St.; W.R., Mrs. Foxcroft, Cameron Rd.

**TAKAPUNA**, 1st Wednesday, in Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. Morgan Richards; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Winstone and Petchell; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Prussing; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Blackwell, Campbell's Bay; Treas., Miss Prussing, 1 Campbell Rd.; W.R., Mrs. Pendray, 1 Eldon Rd.; Evang., Miss Cullen; Maori, Mrs. Petchell; C.R., Mrs. Winstone; Backblocks, Mrs. Morgan Richards; Temperance Fact, Mesdames Tremain and Wallace.

**TEMUKA**, last Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in S.A. Y.P. Hall, Wood St. Pres., Mrs. H. Grocott, Davey St.; Sec., Mrs. J. Holliday, Winchester; Treas., Mrs. W. Hewson, Hamilton St.; C.R., Mrs. Allenby; W.R., Mrs. T. N. Lovatt; Devotions, Mrs. R. Smart; Restroom, Mrs. Buck.

**TE AWAMUTU**, 3rd Thursday, Presbyterian Hall, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. W. Alexander; Sec., Mrs. W. McGee, Parawera, R.D.; Treas., Mrs. E. L. Purdie, Wyuyard St.; W.R., Mrs. W. J. Thompson; C.R., Mrs. Poolman.

**TE KOPURU**, 3rd Wednesday, by-monthly from February, Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. H. O. Bickers; Sec., Mrs. A. J. Wordsworth; Treas., Mrs. Hill-Taylor; W.R., Miss Taylor; L.W.R., Miss F. Wordsworth.

**THAMES**, 1st Wednesday, Mackay St. Schoolroom, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Paul; Sec., Mrs. Gooder, Pollen St.; Treas., Mrs. E. Scown, 185 Richmond St.; "W.R." Mrs. Whiteside, Karaka Rd.; C.R., Mrs. Riley, Karaka Rd.

**TIMARU**, last Tuesday, 2.15 p.m., Sailors' Rest. Pres., Miss Fyfe; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Cave, 25 Raymond St.; C.R., Mrs. Heywood; W.R., Mrs. Howe, Otupua Rd.; Supt. for Seamen, Miss Stevenson, 6 Seddon St.

**TINWALD**, 4th Thursday, Methodist Church, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Miller; Sec., Mrs. J. Oakley, 156 Victoria Street, Ashburton; Treas., Mrs. Harkness, McMurdo Street; W.R. and C.R., Mrs. A. C. Wakelin, McMurdo Street.

**UPPER HUTT**, 4th Monday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian and Methodist Churches alternately. Pres., Mrs. Ross, Martin St.; Sec., Mrs. Purser, Main Rd.

**WAIKAWA**, 4th Wednesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Ford; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Carson, Victoria Street; Notable Days, Miss Bibby; C.R., Mrs. Carson.

**WAIMATE**, 2.30 p.m., 2nd Wednesday, Knox Church Hall. Pres., Mrs. Duckett, Mary St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Kippenburger and Stark; Sec., Mrs. C. Mills, 60 Belt St.; Treas., Mrs. Simpson, "Rylands"; Assist.-Treas., Miss P. Tooley; W.R., Mrs. Ashton, Belt St.; C.R., Miss P. Tooley.

**WAIPIKURAU**, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Hall. Pres. and Acting Sec., Mrs. Smales, Bedford Terrace.

**WANGANUI CENTRAL**, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Trinity Church Parlour. Pres., Mrs. Duxfield, Okaia; Vice-Pres., Mesdames R. Wilson and Goodey; Treas., Mrs. Goodey, 26 College St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Ogg; W.R., Miss Wadsworth, 51 Keith St.

**WANGANUI EAST**, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in St. Alban's Hall. Pres., Mrs. Day; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Robb; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Jones; Treas., Mrs. Shute, No. 3 Line; W.R., Mrs. Conybeer; C.R., Mrs. Ogier; Y. Supt., Mrs. Bloor.

**WARKWORTH**, 2.0 p.m., 2nd Thursday, in Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs. A. E. Baker; Vice-Pres., Mesdames McNaught and Neal; Sec., Mrs. H. A. Torkington, Box 17, Warkworth; Treas., Miss J. Martin; W.R., Mrs. C. R. Rowe.

**WELLINGTON**, 2nd Wednesday, 2.15 p.m., Headquarters. Pres., Miss Brooks; Sec., Miss Kirk; Treas., Mrs. Gardiner, 20 Fernhill Terrace, Wadestown; W.R., Mrs. Duncanson, 70 Derwent St., S.2.

**WELLINGTON CENTRAL**, 3rd Wednesday, 2.0 p.m., "Evening Post" Building. Pres., Mrs. Sired, 29 Maida Vale Rd., E.1; Sec., Mrs. Reed, 6 Bruce Ave., Brooklyn, S.W.1; Treas., Mrs. Helyer, 338A Oriental Bay; C.R., Mrs. McGowan.

**WHANGAREI**, 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Hall. Pres. and C.A., Mrs. T. P. Lane, 6 King St.; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. W. N. Hills, 10 Norfolk St.; W.R., Mrs. Goodall, 8 Dinniss Ave.; C.R., Mrs. Cheesman.

**WINTON**, 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. T. A. Thomson, Section 2, Otahuti R.D., Invercargill; Sec., Mrs. A. McIntosh, South Hillend R.D.; Treas., Mrs. R. G. McKenzie, The Manse, Browns; W.R., Mrs. McKenzie, Park St.; C.R., Mrs. Dixon, Queen St.

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