

# The White Ribbon

For God, and Home, and Humanity.

## Thought for the Month...

"O madness! to think use of strongest wines, And strongest drinks our chief support of health, When God, with these forbidden, made choice to rear, His mighty champion, strong above compare, Whose drink was only from the liquid brook."  
"Samson Agonistes."—Milton.

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### THE CHILD:

The hope of the race.  
The hope of the home.  
The hope of the Church.  
The hope of the State.  
The hope of industry.  
The hope of the professions.

and beware, also

The hope of the Liquor traffic.

will have noted the suggestion that Unions might offer prizes for the best efforts sent in for the Dominion Competitions from their own districts.

Then there is the very easy way of reaching children through the distribution of the "Y.P. Supplement." This is very widely carried out and it should not be beyond the means of any union to do something about it. The small price of 2/- per 100 should not debar any child from receiving at least an occasional copy. In some districts all the Sunday Schools are supplied with enough for all their scholars, and we know of one or two Unions who deliver them to children as they come out of Day Schools.

Let us make up our minds that we must do something for our children to fit them for the battles of life. Can we bear to think that the brewers, who seek to claim them as their future customers, shall meet with no opposition? Can we allow the powers of evil to work freely through the daily press, through the cinema, and through the bad example of so many people, and raise no hand of warning? If we can, we may as well close down. Here is our seed bed. When the tree is grown, little can be done in the way of training it, but as a seedling, it is capable of being greatly influenced.

Say the brewers:

"Create appetite for Beer in the boys and girls of today and they will be our customers in manhood and womanhood tomorrow."

Save the child and you will save the nation.

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## "THE CHILDREN"

It is doubtful whether, in the world's history, there has ever been a time when children occupied so much of the thought, effort, and deep concern of humanity as they do now. The conditions resulting from the war, which are so terrible because so widespread, are considered more in relation to the children than in other aspects. The great appeal which has just closed, and to which such a ready response has been made, owes its success to the strong instinct that realises the truth that the preservation of the child is the preservation of the race. It is not merely pity for the sufferings of starving hosts of children that prompts action and sacrifice, but the acknowledgment, sometimes not recognised by the individual, of the pre-eminently important part the child of today must play in the drama of tomorrow. Everywhere, the same truth is claiming care for the physical, mental and spiritual development of the child. The future is his. Fear and dread of that future are felt on his behalf by those responsible for his preparation for his part therein; and more than anything, it is desired that he should be adequately equipped for the demands he will have to meet. Education, physical and mental, proceeded with as soon as he is fit to benefit therefrom. His food and clothing, home conditions and social environment are all becoming affairs of State. His religious outlook is almost determined for him, in some communities; though it is not considered so important in some countries as in others. But care is being taken of this most precious

possession, the child life of the different lands.

What has all this to do with us? Our children are mostly grown up by now. In what way can we be held responsible for the weal or woe of the children about us?

Well, we must all agree that there is something our organisation has to do for them which will not be undertaken by any other. If we do not realise this, we are not living up to our privileges. Gradually the duty of educating children in regard to alcohol and its dangers has come to be left in our hands. We must accept the position, with all the immense difficulties which surround it. If we are not able to do something about reaching the child, our Union meetings are not of great value in the Temperance cause.

How can we reach the child? So many activities claim his attention and time. We cannot force him to come to meetings; and we are weary with trying to induce the Education authorities to make this matter a part of his ordinary school curriculum.

True—up to a point. But here and there, Bands of Hope, L.T.L.'s and "Y" branches manage to work successfully. Have you tried, in your district, to do anything about it? Even if you fail, it is well worth while to try, if only to explore the possibilities.

You have all received the announcement posters for the Essay and Poster Competitions. Are you doing anything about them? Are you seeking to gain the co-operation of the teachers of Sunday Schools and Day Schools? It may surprise you to find how sympathetic many of them are. You

# Among the Departments

## METHODS DEPARTMENT

### Auckland "School"

A School of Methods was held June 21, in the Temperance Room. Mrs. H. Kasper presided. The Devotional sessions were very helpful, all taking part. Mrs. J. Williams conducted the "Public Speaking" study and the following suggestions were made.

**Vocal exercises:** Ask any good singer the secret of his or her melodious tones, and you will be told: "Place your tones forward and don't force them. If you want a good voice for public speaking you must take care of your tones in conversation. Observe the persons whose voices are rich and mellow in quality. No matter how much in earnest you are, don't yell. A good voice is always easy. Use a soft tone, with clear enunciation and accurate vowels."

The Department of L.T.L. was studied and the new Superintendent for the district, Mrs. Knight, was present and spoke on L.T.L. work.

Mrs. Kasper gave a demonstration of story-telling for children's meetings, which she heard at a school in America. In the afternoon session, Mrs. Holmes read a paper on "Social and Moral Hygiene" and Mrs. Kasper gave an address on the Health and Nutrition Department. Bright singing and keen discussion helped to make a successful "School of Methods."

## HEALTH AND NUTRITION DEPARTMENT

### By Mrs. Hugh Kasper

The study of health is called "Hygiene." The word comes from the Greek language. In the long ago ages the Greeks were a very clever people and most thoughtful. When they thought about God they could not imagine that one God could do everything, so they believed in many Gods, such as a God of Love, a God of War, a God of Thunder, and many others. Among them, they worshipped the Goddess of Health, and they called her "Hygieia."

It is from this name that we get "Hygiene," the study of health. No one can tell just how long we shall live, but while we live, we all wish for a healthy body. Is it possible for us to injure the health of our bodies? There are some who think illness cannot be avoided; but remember, there are laws and rules of health that we must obey. For instance, these words are often said: "Where there's dirt there's danger." The danger is that in dirt there may be tiny live cells called "germs." These may be poisonous and give us blood-poisoning, so a wound should be kept perfectly clean and painted with a solution of iodine. This will kill germs, which are easily killed really. There are many disinfectants. "Cleanliness is the first law of health."

Then we should study what we eat and drink. We can injure the cells of our bodies by failing to wash away

waste material, by breathing bad air, by eating wrong foods, or by taking into the body harmful poisons which injure or destroy protoplasm. People who drink any alcoholic beverage injure the cells of the body, for alcohol absorbs the moisture from the cells, starving others, and preventing the growth of new cells. We must eat and drink, but if we eat too much it will not be good for us; and if we do not get enough of the right kind of food and drink we cannot expect to be strong and healthy. So we should study food values. Men of science and those who are doing their best to find out everything of value to our bodies, are carefully studying vitamins, and finding out the real value to us. We now know there are four different kinds of vitamins, known by the letters A, B, C, D.

Vitamin A is found in small quantities in cod liver oil, milk, butter, cheese, egg yolk, green vegetables, lettuce, water cress, beef and mutton fat, suet, liver and carrots. This is a really good list, and we can get most of them easily and cheaply. We are told the Vitamin A is of value for growth, and so is of great use to growing children. It also helps the body to resist certain infections.

Vitamin B is found in all kinds of grain and cereals. It is in the outer layers and in the tiny germs found in all kinds of grains like wheat, oats and barley. It is also to be found in yeast, milk, egg yolk, liver, kidney, cabbage, lettuce, water cress, etc. This is also necessary for growth and is good for nerves.

Vitamin C is found in green leaves and fresh fruits, especially lettuce, cabbages, oranges, grape fruit, tomatoes and lemons. It is also found in potatoes, swedes, turnips and water cress. It is necessary for the prevention of scurvy and for the blood.

Vitamin D is found in cod liver oil, any oily fish like herrings, yolk of eggs, milk, butter, and animal fats. It is particularly useful for the growth of bones and teeth. Children who do not get their vitamin D are subject to a disease known as "rickets," so its use may prevent serious illness.

Let me follow this article on foods with the following table.

	Things in barley	Things in beer
1. Vitamins	Very rich	None
2. Water	11.3	87.4
3. Protein	12.0	.5
4. Fat	2.3	None
5. Starch and sugar	69.7	4.6
6. Extractives	4.7	.3
7. Alcohol	None	5.2
	100.0	100.0

We see therefore that the brewer who makes beer from such a good food as barley has destroyed most of the things useful to our bodies, and in their place has now given us a liquid called Alcohol, which is a poison.

## TEMPERANCE FACTS

**Given at Dargaville:** "Alcohol never pays the Government what it steals from the people."—Lord Snowden.

**Given at Dannevirke:** "If we drank milk instead of beer we should be an A1 nation instead of a C3 nation."—Herbert Wooland, M.D., D.Sc., Professor of Anatomy, London University.

**Given at Remuera:** "Spirits shipped from the Old Country are produced from valuable grains (shipped there from America and Canada), urgently needed there, yet completely destroyed to make spirits to ship to New Zealand."

"Vitamins are nothing more or less than stored sunlight. Oranges and lemons contain a big percentage of stored sunlight—more than any other fruits in the world. There are no vitamins in any intoxicating beverages."—Dr. Henry Monro, a London specialist.

## RECIPE FOR TRAGEDY

Take one fool, a small quantity of liquor, one high-powered car. Place liquor in fool, fool in car, start and let go. In due course, remove from the wreck, place in box and garnish with plenty of flowers.

## PERSONAL ITEMS

It is with the deepest sympathy that we record the passing of Professor H. Kirk, the dearly loved brother of our Dominion President, Miss C. E. Kirk. The news will come as a surprise to many friends, whose memories of the Professor are of a man of most outstanding intellect, and of charming and lovable personality. In this time of sorrow our loving prayers will rise on behalf of Miss Kirk, and also of Miss Ethelwyn Kirk, daughter of the Professor, who is ill also and unable to be out of bed at the present time.

The many friends of Miss Annie McLay will be glad to learn that she is very much better in health than she was some little time ago. The bracing air of Rotorua, and the opportunity of resting more, have brought about a marked improvement. We are very glad of this news and pray that the improvement may continue.

News comes to us of our dear friend, Mrs. Stephenson Craig, who is at present a patient in the Green Lane Hospital, Auckland. She has been greatly cheered and comforted by messages sent by many friends. Loving prayers are being offered for her speedy recovery.



## President's Message



Dear Friends,—

May I again remind you of the motto of the "King's Daughters": "Look up, not down; look forward, not backward. Look out, not in, AND lend a hand." Look up to God for help and guidance. Look forward to the banishment of this terribly evil thing, alcohol. Look out beyond your own interests and see the need for ridding the country of this evil, and then with the help of God LEND A HAND. It would not be too much if you lent both hands.

Just at the moment will you try to lend a hand by interesting children in the forthcoming Essay and Poster Competitions? Most of us know some children; have we told them about the Competitions and how interesting they are? There are special notes prepared by the Examination Superintendent which are available to all entrants. If you have none to hand write to Mrs. Toomer, Songer Street, Stoke, Nelson, for copies. Be sure and tell her how many you want.

With very good wishes for your happiness in the use of your hands toward the Victory that God has promised to those who "keep the Faith."

Your sincere friend,

C. E. KIRK,

Dominion President.

## "WITHIN THE VEIL"

### MRS. OLIVER SUTTON, NELSON UNION

On the morning of June 23, 1948, the "Home Call" came to Mrs. Oliver Sutton, Hill Street, Richmond, Nelson.

Mrs. Sutton, née May Constance Tunnicliff, was born at Upper Wakefield on October 9, 1876, her ancestors being some of the first pioneers of that district. She was married in Foxhill Methodist Church on December 2, 1896. She leaves her husband and two daughters and three sons to mourn the departure of a loving wife and mother. In her 13 years of partial disability she was a patient sufferer. Previously, she had been an active Church and Sunday School worker. At the early age of eight, she signed the Band of Hope Pledge and followed up the Temperance Cause all her life. She was a W.C.T.U. member for over 30 years, and one of the Richmond Foundation members. Our President, Miss Dyson, made a wreath of white flowers with a white ribbon bow, which was placed on the coffin in the most prominent place. This was specially cherished by her husband, as it would have been by herself, for it was "For God, Home and Humanity" that she served.

### MRS. MAHURI TAWHANA, TE KUITI UNION

The Maori Union at Te Kuiti has suffered a great loss in the recent passing of Mrs. Mahuri Tawhana. Her interest and loving desire for our members to carry on were an inspiration. Her strong, brave, independent character made an impact on all who knew her personally. She was fearless and regardless of the cost when speaking of evil. Kindly in giving advice, she was known and respected by everyone. The influence of her life on the general public was shown by the people who came to her funeral service to pay their last tribute, when ministers of all denominations took part.

Ma Ihua Koi hei manaaki, Maana koe hei tiaki.

Ma Ihua e mea kia ara ake te mara-matanga o ma

Kanohi ki runga kia koe, Maana ano etuku iho te rangimarija

Kia Koe aiane i Ake ake Amene.

### MRS. LILY CRAWFORD, LOWER HUTT UNION

On July 12 Mrs. Lily Crawford, a stalwart of the Lower Hutt Union for 20 years, was called to Higher Service.

During the past 10 years, as Secretary, her ideals, her interest and her practical help in the work amongst the young people, together with her loyalty and devotion have helped in

## "DEVOTIONAL PERIOD"

Hymn 115: "How firm a Foundation, ye saints of the Lord."

Scripture: 1 Thessalonians Ch. 3, verses 1-7.

### A Lesson on Prayer

"There was in a city a judge. . . . There was a widow." Luke 18, 2:3.

Our Saviour used common circumstances to teach uncommon lessons. A harsh judge and a needy widow furnish the characters for a lesson on prayer. How many times we have missed the blessing because we have given a feeble knock at the door of Mercy and then, like mischievous children, have run away. The Lord teaches us a lesson in Faith, for He tells us not only to knock, but to keep on knocking.

### Afflictions

1 Thess. 3:3.

"The storm of affliction may become a very hurricane, but it can never blow hard enough to move the 'soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose.'"

"While God may not send directly every one of our afflictions, yet He has appointed us to meet them. And the realisation of the fact that not a single affliction is foreign to His loving interest or beyond His loving care stabilises our wavering souls like nothing else."

—"The Presbyterian."

## NOONTIDE PRAYER

Our Heavenly Father, we ask Thee to help and encourage the officers and members of the W.C.T.U. and every organisation throughout the world which seeks to build up Thy work. May the members be inspired to come forward to organise Youth Movements. So many of us have been bent upon selfish ends that we could not stop to think and work for the Young People of our lands. Oh, Lord, give us a vision of Thee and help us to have the courage to take up this work. We pray Thee to fit us for it.—Amen.

no small manner to strengthen our Union.

Faced with failing health and the knowledge that her span of life upon this earth was limited, her confident faith and unfailing courage were an inspiration and challenge to us all.

It was a great joy to our members when a few months ago a small group was able to visit her and our President pinned on her "Long Service" Badge as a token of our esteem.

To her husband and daughters we offer our sincere sympathy, and pray that the happy memories of their loved one will bring comfort and consolation.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

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## GAMBLING

By the Rev. F. F. Parry

Address given at the May Meeting of  
Dunedin Central W.C.T.U.

My subject although not popular is certainly timely. Gambling has reached alarming proportions in New Zealand. The enormous amount of money passing constantly through the Totalisator (and it is but a fraction of the Nation's expenditure on this vice) affords a saddening commentary on the thriftlessness, extravagance and not infrequently, the sheer dishonesty which have invaded public life.

Not only the Turf, as such, but almost every other form of sport has fallen under the harmful influence and sway of this evil. New Zealand—not apt to be behind either in good or evil—is full of this vice in all forms. Gambling is rampant in the highest circles and in the lowest; among members of the State Government and among convicts in the prison yards. This form of vice pervades our cities, extends over every line of travel—rail, air and sea—and infests all the ways and walks of public and private life.

It is flaunted in our public streets and highways. It invades our factories, workrooms, offices, schools and homes. It is carried on in the store hard by the till; and even boys creep out of bed at night in unsuspected disobedience, to give it their attention.

The daily press fosters it through its columns; the National Broadcasting system publishes its results. Even Churches are found which condone and encourage it—albeit by subterfuge. For what are raffles and art unions but gambling pure and simple? The worthiness of the cause may be pleaded as an excuse, but the cause itself is demeaned and degraded by stooping to the gutter for its support.

If you ask why the rapid spread and growth of the evil in our midst—a sufficient answer would be found along the following lines:—

(a) The homely and sober pursuits and joys of an earlier age are not exciting and sensational enough for the fevered times in which we live.

(b) A spirit is abroad today which demands a ripping good time, regardless of the consequences. National morality is very clearly on the downgrade and is passing with increasing momentum to its doom.

(c) The gospel of "get-rich-quick" seems to be spreading everywhere.

(d) The Church's lips are paralysed and silent when they should be sounding the note of warning and alarm.

(e) At the bottom of all is that moral and spiritual anarchy which laughs at all things pure and sacred, sober and righteous, just and good.

Gambling is a subtle form of theft. To take property from another without an adequate return in goods or service is dishonest and dishonourable—with one exception, when and where property is transferred by deed of gift.

The husbandman renders produce for his gains; the mechanic, his skilled labour. The gambler renders no return and often resorts to downright cheating to obtain his gains.

Betting is gambling—and dealings in stocks and shares are not infrequently sheer gambling too. Profits so earned are often no better than the profits from dice and cards and chance. When skill returns for its earnings service, a useful commodity as knowledge, valuable goods, wholesome amusement or profitable labour it is honest commerce. A pilot threading his way

through a narrow channel; a lawyer threading through a still more intricate one in legal argument, both give service for the price received: but all the gains of mere skill which result in no real benefit are dishonest gains.

Gambling is the negation of everything just and honest in man's transactions with his fellows. The highway robber avows his deeds—does them openly. The gambler sneaks to the same result under skulking pretence. There is a frank way and a mean way of doing evil. The gambler takes the meanest way of doing dirty deeds. He belongs to a league of sharpers and cheats.

If I walk abroad and a hungry wretch bears off my purse with but a single note inside it, the community is stirred, the officers of the law are out to bring the culprit to his shame: but a worse thief may meet me, decoy me, and by far greater dishonesty filch my fortune, but no one stirs and soon the story is forgotten.

Gambling diseases the mind, unfitting it for the sober duties of daily life. Gamblers are seldom industrious men. A gambling mechanic finds his labour uninteresting as his passion for play increases. He grows unsteady and neglects his work and becomes unfaithful to his promises to customers and clients. Soon, little jobs seem little enough, his excited imagination demands big contracts, large returns and in pursuit of sudden profits, by wild schemes, he plunges into ruin himself, dragging others with him.

Gambling vitiates the imagination, corrupts the tastes, destroys industry; for why should he drudge for shillings when he can gamble for pounds, or practise economy and thrift when he can make or lose hundreds in a night.

It destroys domestic habits and affections. Home is a prison to an inveterate gambler. There is no air there that he can breathe. He may sport with his children, and smile upon his wife for a moment, but his heart, his strong passions are not there with them. A little branch stream may flow through the family, but the deep river of his interests and affections flows away from home.

On the issue of a game the ancient Germans would stake their property, their wives, their children and themselves. And by how much better is the man who will stake the money which is to give his family bread and



that honour which gives them place and rank in society.

When playing becomes desperate gambling, the heart is a hearth where all the fires of gentler feeling have long since died down. A thorough-going gambler could pocket gold dripping with the blood of his own wife and children. Gambling nullifies the conscience and destroys the soul. Of all the vices I believe gambling is the most hardening to the conscience. It is easier to talk to a drunkard about the error of his way than to a gambler. His finer feelings seem too atrophied and callous.

If you want a classic example turn to the story of the Crucifixion of our Lord. The Son of God hangs there in mortal anguish on the tree while at its base a group of soldiers toss dice for his seamless robe—that group of gamblers as His precious life-blood drips around them have no concern save to raffle His garments. Sitting down they watched Him there.

Shall such iniquities as I have described be vomited out amongst us and no man care?

Do we love our children and yet let them walk within a den of vipers?

Shall we pretend to virtue and religion and yet make partners of our social life men whose hearts are vicious and dishonourable?

Shall there be even in the eyes of religion no difference between the corrupters of youth and their guardians?

Are all the works of morality so effaced that priests and parsons attend the turf without personal shame and without rebuke from others?

And that men covered over with this wickedness shall find their iniquity no obstacle to their advancement among the Christian people?

Shall we ever dream again of purchasing a ticket from a wayside mongerer or of putting even a penny on a raffle? It matters not how small or large the stake—whether it be a threepenny piece or half a rich man's fortune: the principle is the same and the sin the same in the sight of God.

If you are meddling even with the edges of this vice and evil you are on a dangerous road and you are being duped by the enchantments of the Devil. Your feet stand in slippery places. In due time they shall slide if you refuse the warning. They shall slide from that Heaven which is never to be visited or entered by the gambler, down to that abyss where not only fortune and character, but the very soul, is lost. Then when the last card is turned and the last dice cast and the game is over you shall know that your own soul was the stake, and Satan the winner.

"For what shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?"

Note: This address is published with acknowledgments to the late Henry Ward Beecher from whose writings not a little of its inspiration and substance was received.

## Dominion Officers' Reports

### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Wellsford	.....	3
Winton	.....	1
Riccarton	.....	2
Bryndwr	.....	1
Linwood	.....	2
New Brighton	.....	1
Nelson	.....	3
Motueka	.....	8
North Brighton	.....	2
Tauranga	.....	3
Christchurch "Y's"	.....	1
Total	.....	27

C. TOOMER, Corresponding Secretary.

### DOMINION TREASURER'S REPORT

#### RECEIPTS FROM JANUARY 11 TO JUNE 14, 1948

**New Zealand Fund:** Johnsonville, 10/-; Gonville (three years), £1/10/-; Invercargill North, 10/-; Picton "Y's," 5/-; Invercargill South, £1; Dargaville, 5/-; Opawa, £1; Wellsford, 5/6; Gisborne, 5/-; Eltham, £1; New Plymouth, £1; Dunedin Central, £3/3/-; Motueka, £1; Feilding, £1; Upper Hutt, £2; Wellington Central, £1; Lower Hutt, £1; Napier, £1; Aramoho, 10/-; Levin, 10/-; Dunedin South, 10/-; Ponsonby, 10/-; Brooklyn, £1; Mrs. Patterson, £2; Mrs. Pirrett, 10/6; Te Kuiti, £1; New Brighton, £1/1/-; Winton, 10/-; Christchurch, £10; Riccarton, £1; Warkworth, 13/-; Waipawa (Peace Day), 13/3; Manawatu District, £1/1/-.

**Headquarters Fund:** Gonville (three years), £2/0/6; Picton, 15/-; Invercargill Central, £2; Dargaville, 2/-; Rangiora Birthday League, £1/3/-; Rakaia, £5; Mrs. Wall, £5; Winton, £1; Wellington District, £10; Mrs. Harmer, £1.

**Organising Fund:** Oxford, £2/0/6; Gonville (three years), £2/6/6; Invercargill North, 3/9; Waimate, £5/8/-; Invercargill South, £7/10/-; Dargaville, £2/6/6; Dannevirke, £1/14/6; Opawa, £1/2/6; Masterton, £1/4/-; Southbrook, £1.

**World Missionary Fund:** Gonville, 8/3; Dargaville, 19/-; Riccarton, 10/-;

Invercargill Central, 5/-; Dannevirke, 5/9; Opawa, 10/-; Gisborne, 5/-; Waipukurau, 5/-; Feilding, 7/6; Napier, 8/8; Ashburton, £1; Auckland, 12/-; Hastings, 11/-.

**Maori Fund:** Oxford, 9/-; Gonville, £1/2/6; Picton, 4/6; Invercargill Central, 5/-; Dargaville, 14/6; Opawa, 10/-; Gisborne, 5/-; Winton, 5/-.

**Franchise Day:** Oxford, 14/6; Gonville, 14/5; Opawa, 10/-; Gisborne, 5/-; Winton, 5/-.

**Seamen's Fund:** Oxford, 6/6.

**Caravan Fund:** Gonville, £1; Pukehuia, £1; Donation N.Z. Alliance, £2/5/.

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G. GIBBS, Dominion Treasurer.

### "WHITE RIBBON" BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

#### NEW SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE WHITE RIBBON,"

from May 12 to June 14, 1948

Dargaville, 3; Otahuhu, 2; Warkworth, 9; Onehunga, 3; Eden, 1; Mt. Eden, 1; Auckland, 2; Wellsford, 2; Tauranga, 1; Hamilton, 1; Raetihi, 1; Gonville, 1; Wanganui, 2; Wanganui East, 1; Petone, 2; Wellington Central, 5; Springlands, 2; Riccarton, 1; New Brighton, 1; Linwood, 1; Green Island, 1; Kaikorai, 1; Gore, 4; individual, 1. Total, 49.

Total from January 1: 106.

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### LIVE AS YOU PRAY

I knelt to pray when day was done  
And prayed, "O Lord, bless every-one;  
Lift from each saddened heart the pain,  
And let the sick be well again."  
And then I woke another day  
And carelessly went on my way.  
The whole day long I did not try  
To wipe a tear from any eye;  
I did not try to share the load  
Of any comrade on my road;  
I did not even go to see  
The sick child just next door to me.  
Yet once again, when day was done  
I prayed, "O Lord, bless everyone."

But as I prayed, into my ear  
There came a voice that whispered clear:  
"Pause, thoughtless soul, before you pray.  
Whom have you tried to bless today?  
God's sweetest blessings always go  
By hands that serve Him here below."

And then I hid my face, and cried,  
"Forgive me, Lord, for I have lied;  
Let me but see another day,  
And I will live the way I pray."  
—"The War Cry."

# Franchise Day

## September 15

As so many Unions will have their September meetings before the "White Ribbon" for that month reaches them, we publish the following article from "The Union Signal" in the hope that it may be of service in making plans for the "Franchise" meeting. The meeting should be regarded as special and important. Collection should be for N.Z. Fund.

### UNITED ACTION BY WOMEN COULD MAKE WAR IMPOSSIBLE

The call for women to make politics their serious business spotlights the tragic failure of women to use the vote as they should. The role of women in politics is not a new thing in America; **without the vote** pioneer women accomplished more than women of today are doing **with it**. We need refresher courses in our early history to revive our faith in women and stir our courage into action.

Perhaps the first woman politician was Margaret Brent of Maryland. Her kinsman, Leonard Calvert, first Governor of Maryland, appointed her guardian of his children and executor of his unique will ("Take all and pay all"). After his death the young colony was threatened with disaster. Calvert had hired soldiers from Virginia to defend the Maryland territory in a bitter boundary dispute. His death prevented his paying the soldiers whose demands grew more and more insistent.

Mistress Brent appeased the men by acknowledging their claims as just and sending to them what food she could from her own and the late Governor's funds. The **all** that she took fell far short of paying completely, however, and the disrupted little colony was at the mercy of angry, hungry soldiers. Margaret recognised the situation as a crisis. She knew that one more raid would mean destruction to the colony.

Governor Green, Calvert's successor, offered no help. Margaret thought her way through. She was executrix for Calvert and he had been administrator for Lord Baltimore. As yet no one had been appointed in Calvert's place. If she could be made attorney for Lord Baltimore, she could use his funds. The Assembly agreed that "the executrix of Leonard Calvert should be looked upon as his Lordship's attorney," and thus Margaret paid the soldiers out of Lord Baltimore's funds, and the colony was saved.

Later in the same month, January 21, 1648—300 years ago—Margaret Brent, land-owner, lawyer, executrix, the woman who had saved the colony, appeared in court and "requested to have voice in the House and vote

also." While the Assembly expressed appreciation for her services, the Governor denied her the right to vote. After all, there were no women in the English Parliament.

When word reached Lord Baltimore that Margaret had dipped into his funds, his wrath burst on her in full force. She was crushed with his ingratitude, but later heartened by one of the most magnificent demonstrations of chivalry and fair play recorded in the annals of politics. The story is best told in the words of the gallant Assembly:

"As for Mistress Brent's undertaking and meddling with your Lordship's estate here . . . we do verily believe and in conscience report that it was better for the colony in her hands than in any man's else in the whole province after your brother's death, for the soldiers would never have treated any other with the civility and respect."

The Assembly must have been inspired with courage, for that body ventured a little advice to his Lordship: "We conceive . . . she rather deserves favour and thanks from your honour for her so much concurring to the public safety than to be justly liable to those bitter invectives you have been pleased to express against her."

"Women rush in where diplomats fear to tread and do a lot to make this world a better place to live in," declared the late Dr. Mary Woolley, former President of Mt. Holyoke College.

Margaret Brent's act of statesmanship illustrates woman's spirit of daring that is a **must** in political life today. Long-drawn-out quibbling must give place to life-saving action. We need women in politics because they are more willing than men to take the all-important one step at a time.

The loyalty of that early Assembly demonstrates how nobly men co-operate, once women take the lead. Years later, all over the country, men stood by their women in the crusade against saloons and gambling houses. The absence of women in politics today is not the fault of men; women refuse to make the sacrifices required. They have lost faith in their own power and so do not stand together. Yet they outnumber men and they live longer than men. They could draft and elect their own candidates without a single male vote. Women, united, could make war impossible. Rehabilitated with the courage and faith of the colonial women who helped to build America, women can become—even in this late hour—such a power for peace that the forces of militarism cannot prevail against it.

—From "Union Signal."

### EDITOR'S LETTER BOX

The Editor, Dear Madam,—

I am asked to find out why the "blood test" is not used in New Zealand as it is in several other countries and American States in all cases of motor collisions where drunkenness is alleged.

Surely it should not be difficult to move public opinion and demand the use of the test. Ask your Minister to bring up the matter at the next meeting of their body, to make enquiries of the doctors they know as to the attitude of the B.M.A. Consider that the large Youth Associations, such as Girl Guides and Boy Scouts, all teach abstinence from liquor for physical and social benefit. All the Nonconformist Churches are officially on the side of Temperance, and the two great denominations that leave the question for individual decision have many of their clergy teaching it consistently. All schools are supposed to have regular lessons on its benefits.

This test would simplify the work of both Police and Court Magistrates. It should not be too difficult, with all this weight, to rouse public opinion enough to bombard every M.P. to ask why the "blood test" is not used.

Why not organise your own members to besiege the local newspapers with letters to the Editor asking this question whenever a collision in which drinking is alleged or disputed as the cause? And why not try to find out yourselves more about what the "blood test" is? Ask for a discussion on it at your next meeting.

Here is an old text: "And so they builded the walls of Jerusalem because **THE PEOPLE HAD A MIND TO WORK.**" Believe me, we can build up strong walls of public opinion and so do definite work for our cause if each of us as part of the people has a mind to work.

Yours faithfully,

KATHARINE MERCER.

### "HE IS A KILLER"

from Mrs. Day, Wanganui East

"He is a killer," said Commissioner of Transport, Mr. G. L. Laurenson, when addressing the Road Safety Council. "We have got to be ruthless with the drunken driver" was his opinion. But how? Simply by cancelling his licence? By fining him £10? By sending him to gaol for a month after several offences? None of these steps is enough to prevent killers of this kind pursuing their evil courses. Only a long term of imprisonment will act as a deterrent to drunken drivers: that is proved by their persistent existence over several decades.

It used to be fashionable to emphasise the fact that the drunkard had lost his sense of self criticism. Now that is disposed of as "preaching," which is, of course, a very improper occupation at any time. It is,



nevertheless, still a sound principle that he who gets drunk does so to his own peril and must pay for his remissness when he is sober. The popular excuse is invalid that a drunkard or partially inebriated man never intended to do the harm that he accomplishes. It is nevertheless still advanced in extenuation of the evil accomplished. Too often attention is concentrated upon the wrongdoer: the victim is forgotten. It is claimed when suppression of publication of names is requested that the accused will lose his employment or will be deprived of the use of his car which will reduce his ability to earn his living. These are matters which responsible people think of before they indulge themselves and irresponsible people will only be deterred from their remissness by having severe penalties imposed upon them.

The time has already arrived when the responsibilities of road users to themselves, to the passengers and to others must be recognised in their fullness and treated with the seriousness which they merit. The Commissioner of Transport deserves to be supported in his desire to make the roads safe for everyone.

### THE CHRISTIAN'S SCIENTIFIC APPROACH TO THE LIQUOR PROBLEM

We present this summary of 10 ways in which science comes to the aid of the Christian temperance worker.

1. Science does away with the ignorance of which many Christians are guilty. It discourages exaggeration, over-statement and unbalanced opinion. It throttles wild and fantastic schemes.

2. Science analyses the alcohol problem, singling out those areas where it must call in the man of God for consultation and guidance.

3. Science provides a court of finality, from which there is no appeal; neither law nor human opinion can change the court's pronouncement of what is intoxicating after science has rendered its just verdict.

4. Science furnishes accuracy of information which, when appearing in the armor of a righteous cause, becomes invincible.

5. Science challenges the Christian to assert his proper reaction to the fact which it reveals, and calls on forces outside of itself to undertake that which it confesses it cannot do.

6. Science provides a means of expression, a new language, whereby one may appeal to the modern man.

7. Science provides a fellowship of like-minded devotees of the truth, who by their agreement resist false theories of tradition, and advocate only the attested facts.

8. Science equips us with the mental

## Dominion Officers' Meeting

June 30 and July 1, 1948

In very beautiful weather, the Dominion Officers assembled at Headquarters on June 30, at 1.30 p.m. One flew, two came by water and one by train, the rest being "on the spot."

Miss Kirk, Dominion President, led the opening Devotions, her subject being the comfort that comes from knowing that "He will show us the way we must go, and the thing we must do," and that His strength and presence will be with us.

Then a great deal of business was begun. It took many hours of careful discussion and nothing was lightly undertaken. Special matters of interest were the position regarding the Headquarters Secretary it is hoped we may have secured ere long. Various steps were agreed upon as the means of finding a suitable lady for this work. If the housing problem were solved, probably this one would also be solved. No one can come to Wellington without knowing where she is to live, so the difficulty is increased for us.

**Literature** was an interesting subject. The article which appeared in the June issue of the "White Ribbon" on "Nationalisation of the Drink Trade" by Mr. Cecil Heath, B.A., President of the United Kingdom Alliance, and the husband of our World Secretary, has been prepared as a pamphlet and arrangements were made for it to be put into the hands of all the Ministers in the Dominion. Other plans for leaflets in preparation for next year's poll and referendum, with the probable 6 o'clock closing issue to be voted upon, were made. It is strongly felt that the constant use of leaflets has a value well worth the small trouble of distributing them. The idea of each member undertaking to "place" five of these after each monthly meeting is good. Five are no trouble to anyone, but if they are done by every member, every month, real results are likely to follow.

"**Alcoholics Anonymous**" was introduced by correspondence and it was agreed that its work and results should be the subject of articles in the "White Ribbon." An officer was

and practical equipment to do a specific task—it equips personality.

9. Science confirms today what the Christians have always held with respect to the evils of alcohol—it is of no good to the body, internally, which supports the validity of accepted Christian standards.

10. Science explores the field of activity and makes the boundaries of definite means of approach—it classifies the objectives of consideration.

—The American Issue, June 1947.

furnishing the Dominion Library with a copy of an exhaustive study of the organisation, which would arrive within a few months. This would be available for all members who wished to know fuller details of what appears to be a genuine solution for many drink victims of their terrible problem.

A little complaint was heard coming all the way from Auckland. This was that the "Bulletin" subscriptions are not always paid up and that the agent, Mrs. Cook, finds herself out of pocket on this account. We had better all check up on this and make sure that we are not among the forgetters. It is so easy to let a little matter slip.

**Finance:** Our newly appointed treasurer, true to the tradition that a good treasurer must really "treasure" the money entrusted to her, reminded us that the New Zealand Fund, from which so much has to be done, showed the necessity for this to be assisted by all Unions, according to their ability. It was pointed out that some Unions which do not send delegates to Convention and who do not hear the appeal made there, are apt to overlook the need for their help in this regard. The small contributions add up to considerable sums, but they should come from all Unions.

Pledge Cards and Badges for Bands of Hope and L.T.L.'s were discussed, and it is hoped that these will be on hand shortly.

"**Beacon**": It was suggested that "The Beacon" might be put into the hands of B.L.C. Class members. The cost is small, 6/- per hundred, not quite 1d. each. "Teen-agers" might thus be reached and influenced.

**Organiser's Report:** Good news from Miss C. M. McLay, Dominion Organiser, was received. The Maori and Pakeha Unions formed in co-operation with Sister Nicholls in the King Country were progressing well. Another Union had been formed with the assistance of Mrs. Josephs, President of the Te Kuiti Maori Union, and interest was spreading.

Many other matters were touched upon. Perhaps one of the most interesting was the date of Dominion Convention. The visit of Their Majesties and Princess Margaret will make it necessary to hold Convention probably earlier than usual, because of the difficulties of travel and accommodation. It was left for the Corresponding Secretary to make enquiries of the South Canterbury Executive as to suitable dates for them.

N.C.W. Remits were discussed so that Miss Kirk, our Dominion Representative, might know the attitude of the Officers and receive some guidance regarding voting on them. Most of them were left to her own discretion.

The meetings closed at 5.10 p.m. on the 1st with the repeating of The Lord's Prayer and the Benediction.

## HOME MAKERS' CORNER

BY LYNETTE

## LEFT-OVER BREAD

Shopping for our New Zealand week-end involves quite a little planning, and rather than be caught short by unexpected visitors, many housewives buy more than they really need. With most foods this does not matter, but too much of Friday's bread on a Monday is often quite a problem. There are, however, many interesting and delicious ways in which it may be used and every slice saved means something in the economy of the household and also the economy of the nation.

If the loaf has an unbroken crust, it can be freshened by two methods. If you like a good hard crust, place the loaf in a moderate oven alongside a dish of water; or if you prefer a softer crust, soak the loaf for a few minutes in either water or milk, wrap it closely in brown paper and allow to dry out in a moderate oven.

All the odds and ends of bread can be used for making crumbs in which to roll rissoles, cutlets, etc. How often though, we put the bread into a cooling oven and forget it until we next heat up and then find it black and smoking! If your oven has a warming cupboard, it is a good plan to keep a tin for the left-over bread there, and when crisp, but not necessarily brown, it can be rolled and stored in a jar or tin. When preparing stuffing or puddings in a hurry, these crumbs substitute quite well for fresh bread crumbs. Croutons to give a "crunch" to soup, are also quite easily stored. Slice stale bread  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch thick and cut into cubes. Bake in a slow oven until crisp. Do not add to soup until the very last moment.

Party savouries too, can be made from stale bread. Cut the bread into fingers 1 inch thick, dip in melted butter and roll in grated cheese. Bake until crisp. Or slice bread half an inch thick, cut in rounds with a biscuit cutter, and cut the centres out of half the rounds with a smaller cutter. Dip in melted butter or beaten egg and put two together to form a patty case and bake. These may be stored, and filled with any savoury mixture when required.

**Cinnamon Sticks** are 1 inch bread fingers dipped in sweetened condensed milk which has been diluted with half as much water. Fry in clean dripping

and when golden brown, roll in a mixture of cinnamon and sugar.

Here are a few other bread-crumbs recipes:—

**Bread Omelette:**  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup crumbs, 1 tablespoon butter, 3 eggs (separated),  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup milk.

Add milk to crumbs and let stand 5 minutes. Beat yolks with a fork and beat the whites and salt stiffly. Drain excess milk from crumbs and beat crumbs and yolks together. Fold in whites. Melt butter in a pan and add mixture. Cook at high heat 1 minute and then reduce heat. Cover and cook slowly 20 minutes. Serves four.

**Spiced Bread Pudding.** (This uses dried breadcrumbs and also sour milk.) 1 cup crumbs, 1 cup brown sugar, 1 teaspoon soda, 1 cup raisins, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1 cup sour milk,  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon ground cloves,  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon nutmeg.

Mix all ingredients together and bake in greased pudding dish 1 hour in moderate oven (325deg. F.). Serves 4 to 6.

**Breadcrumb Cake:** 3 egg yolks, 1 cup sugar, 3 tablespoons cold water,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup chopped nuts, 1 cup soft breadcrumbs, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 1 tablespoon melted shortening, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 3 egg whites.

Beat egg yolks until thick and lemon coloured. Add sugar and water and beat well. Add the nuts, crumbs, baking powder and shortening. Mix well. Add vanilla and fold in the stiffly beaten egg whites. Bake in two greased layer pans in a hot oven (400deg. F.) for 20 minutes. When cool the layers may be put together without a filling, as the base is slightly moist, but a filling may be added if preferred.

## Important Announcements

**District Conventions:** Will Secretaries please notify the Editor of dates of District Conventions **early** if they wish them to be announced on this page?

**South Auckland Convention,** September 20 (Monday), in The Methodist Hall, St. Paul's, London Street, Hamilton. Combined After-Church Temperance Rally, Sunday evening, September 19.

**Essay and Poster Competitions:** Notes available for intending competitors from Mrs. Toomer, Songer Street, Stoke, Nelson. Closing date, September 6. Entries to be sent to W.C.T.U. Headquarters, 46 Brougham Street, Wellington.

**N.Z. Alliance Conference,** August 4 and 5, Wellington.

**Peace Day** organised by the Council of Christian Churches is to be kept by the Churches on October 24. Unions are asked to parade in their own towns. Further details later.

## "W.R. CROSSWORD" — 25

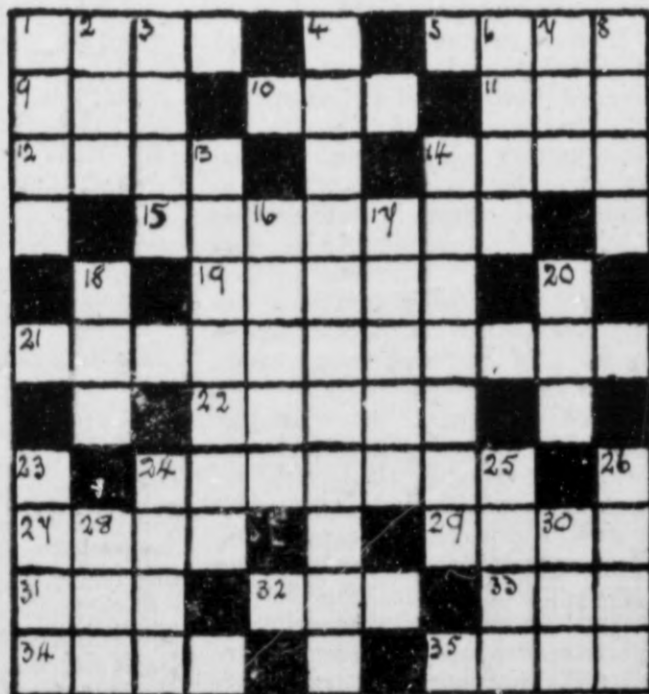
## CLUES

## Across

- 1—Heights.
- 5—Tendency.
- 9—Stimulant.
- 10—None in particular.
- 11—Compete.
- 12—White mineral.
- 14—Measurement.
- 15—Concerning marriage.
- 19—Problem.
- 21—Expressing repentance.
- 22—She grewed.
- 24—Carriers.
- 27—Noble.
- 29—Foot clad.
- 31—Don't pay.
- 32—Perform.
- 33—Land measure.
- 34—Amphibian.
- 35—Sign.

## Down

- 1—Name of a taxi company.
- 2—Meadow.
- 3—Sign of victory.
- 4—Disinfectant.
- 6—Wrong.
- 7—Nothing.
- 8—Pour.
- 13—Chief city.
- 14—Sufferers for their faith.
- 16—Revolving part.
- 17—Taut.
- 18—A "Little Woman."
- 20—Capture.



- 23—Gas.
- 24—Staff.
- 25—Pretence.

- 26—Near Eastern city.
- 28—Dread.
- 30—Rock.

## SOLUTION TO NO. 24

**Across:** 1, Handy; 5, Blame; 9, Ope; 10, Eve; 12, Few; 13, Pest; 15, Mate; 16, Traitor; 19, Do; 21, Oiled; 22, Because; 23, Lull; 24, Near; 25, D.D.; 26, Lends; 28, "Eh"; 30, Modiste; 32, Whip; 34, Yawn; 36, Eon; 37, Asp; 39, Red; 40, Redan; 41, Sacs.

**Down:** 1, Hoped; 2, Ape; 3, Nest; 4, Ye; 5, Be; 6, Afar; 7, Met; 8, Jugs; 11, Hide; 14, Trollop; 15, Modesty; 17, Ailed; 18, Tends; 20, Old; 22, Exist; 25, Dower; 27, Nips; 29, Hands; 30, Mind; 31, Ears; 33, Hoe; 35, Wet; 37, An; 38, P.C.



## ONLY ONE WAY TO CONTRACT ALCOHOLISM

Considerable emphasis is being laid just now upon the fact that alcoholism is a disease to be treated as any other malady which afflicts the human body and mind. The alcoholic, it is said, "is a sick person who should be treated as such, to be loved back to health." With this we are in agreement. In fact, there can be no disputing the fact that the person who is sick from overdoses of alcohol is really sick. Moreover, such a one should be accorded all the loving consideration and assistance due to a person who was born to be a child of God. But there is a very grave danger in this attitude towards the chronic drinker, a danger which may easily result in increased alcoholism.

Titus Frazee, secretary of the California Temperance Federation, Inc., very aptly remarked not long ago: "Alcoholism is a disease. That is perfectly true. But no one ever contracts the disease who does not drink alcohol."

An attractive young woman stood in prisoner's row in the Saint Louis city court the other day, pleading with the Judge that she might be sent to the penal farm. She was an alcoholic. "I can't stop drinking while I am allowed to remain free," she told the magistrate, and at her own request he sentenced her to 30 days in the workhouse.

Very evidently she was one of those who "should not drink." But no bartender, social hostess, liquor dealer, or advertisement told her as she took her first drink that she was "one of those." Instead, she was encouraged to drink by social custom, by expensive and artistic advertising, and by those who called themselves her friends. She is a dreadfully sick person today. But she never would have been so if she never had tasted alcohol.

—"The Union Signal," 17/8/46.

## LINES WITH A HINT

Some abstainers begin  
Frequenting the Inn.  
One young fellow starts  
For the sake of the darts.  
Another one goes  
To play dominoes,  
And soon are aware  
They're not wanted there,  
As they always steer clear  
Of the ale and the beer.  
Unwelcome to come  
Ignoring the rum.  
Dark looks they may face,  
Or broad hints, in their place.  
Oh, for a Temperance Club,  
Instead of the local pub!

—John S. Sutherland, Inverness, in  
"Scottish Women's Temperance News."

—From "Cobbers."

## Bulletin of Union News

### NORTHLAND DISTRICT

**Wellsford**, May 25: Mrs. Fordyce presided in the absence of the President, and also took Devotions. Mrs. Moore, President of the Warkworth Union, presented a very interesting report of the Dominion Convention.

June 22: Very good attendance presided over by Mrs. Singleton. Devotions led by Mrs. Fordyce. Pledge and Temperance Fact. Report on the newly organised Cradle Roll Department showed that 26 names were on the Roll during the month. "Y.P. Supplements" have been distributed to three Sunday Schools. Splendid collection of vegetables brought for the Maori Girls' Hostel in Auckland. Decided to organise a combined Temperance Social evening, with a speaker from the N.Z. Alliance. "White Ribbon" Day observed and collection taken. Two new subscribers.

### AUCKLAND DISTRICT

**Executive Meeting**, July 5: Mrs. F. W. Mountjoy, District President, in the chair. Good attendance. Devotions led by Miss Grigg. Mrs. Mountjoy elected as representative of the district for the N.Z. Alliance Annual Conference. Several invitations received from local Unions to their Anniversary celebrations. Reports received from representative to the Empire Cancer Campaign Society's meeting and from the Ellen Melville and Pioneer Women's Memorial Committee and Mrs. Mountjoy reported on the function organised by the Salvation Army for the members of the N.C.W. to visit the Army's various Homes and Institutions in Auckland, which she and other W.C.T.U. members had attended. Mrs. Mountjoy also reported on the monthly meeting of the N.C.W. Preliminary arrangements made for Annual District Convention to be held in September.

**Kohi-St. Heliers**, June 17: Meeting held at the home of Mrs. Lediard. Mrs. Pearson, Evangelistic Superintendent, spoke on "Love" from John 4. As a Temperance Fact Mrs. Lediard read Mrs. Kasper's article in the "W.R." Mrs. Read conducted the meeting. "White Ribbon Day" was observed. A pleasant discussion on smoking and drinking among the young people took place. Mrs. Lediard was thanked for the use of her home.

**Warkworth**, July 9: Mrs. R. Moore presided over a fair attendance. Roll call answered by thought on "Hope." Temperance Fact and "thought for the month" given. Mrs. Bartle read a paper on "Sabbath Observance." Much thought-provoking discussion followed, members determining to give example, precept and thought to the command "Remember the Sabbath Day."

**Remuera**, June 28: Mrs. Kasper presided and led Devotions, which included the singing of some choruses. Pledge and Temperance Fact. "White Ribbon Day" observed by members reading extracts from various back numbers. 10/- voted for "W.R. Day" fund. Benediction.

**Ponsonby**, May 20: The President, Mrs. R. A. Joiner presided. Devotions being led by Mrs. Christopher, who spoke on "The Potter and the Clay." Temperance Fact given by Miss Runciman. Mrs. Major Mahaffie (S.A.) gave an address on "Keys," first reading a poem called "The Keys of Tomorrow" and following on about other keys. Pledge and Benediction.

June 17: President in the chair, Mrs. Christopher leading Devotions on "The Woman of Samaria." Mrs. Kasper as speaker was accorded a very warm welcome, giving an account of her travels last year, for which she was accorded warm thanks. Pledge and Benediction. £1/17/6 raised for Children of China through medium of CORSO.

### SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

**Tauranga**, July 6: Excellent attendance. Devotions led by Mrs. Bensley, subject being the comfort and assurance that come from belief in the certainty of the fulfilment of Christ's promises. Reports on Band of Hope, National Council of Women, and Pan-Pacific Association meetings. Report on Dominion Officers'

meeting given by President. Names handed in for scheme of Mutual Help for Women. Good "Bring and Buy." Two new members initiated.

**Waihi**, July 8: Very good attendance of members and visitors. Mrs. H. Clark presided and led Devotions. The speaker was Mrs. Christian, District Vice-President, and she gave an outline of work in progress in the Dominion, reporting on a recently-held Officers' Meeting (Dominion). Much interest being taken in Band of Hope recently started and well attended. Enjoyable duet sang. Afternoon tea and closing Prayer.

**Te Kuiti Maori Union**, July 9: Meeting held at the Maori Pa, eight being present. Letter of apology for absence and resignation from the secretaryship received from the Secretary, illness in the family causing this step. Sister Nicholls agreed to act as Secretary for the meeting. Discussion on Headquarters donation, £1 forwarded to Dominion Treasurer.

**Fehcourt**, July 1: Miss Rickard, President, in the chair. Miss O. Clark led Devotions. Clothes handed in for a parcel for CORSO. Tins of fat also brought to send to a Temperance Union in England. President reported on a visit paid to Ward 18 of the Waikato Hospital by herself and Mrs. Clark, where they distributed biscuits to the patients. Temperance Fact, Benediction and afternoon tea.

### TARANAKI DISTRICT

**New Plymouth**, "White Ribbon Day": Mrs. Tuffery led Devotions. Miss McLeod welcomed back. Terrible cost of Liquor Traffic shown in Temperance Fact. Mrs. Stewart spoke on "Home and Family" week. Our part in this to be "Posters" and these were displayed. President's letter in "W.R." read and Mrs. Black rendered solos. Good competition held on the letters of the words "White Ribbon." A splendid padded suit made by Mrs. Wood for a Chinese child was exhibited. Members reminded of Seamen's Rest Mart in August and asked to make articles for sale. Benediction.

### WANGANUI DISTRICT

**Wanganui East**, June 10: A very successful social afternoon was held, about 60 members and friends being present. New members were secured and a very profitable programme was well received. A stall under the guidance of Mrs. Walker and Miss Jarvis brought in about £9/5/- towards the funds. Mrs. Day presided and afternoon tea was served.

**Wanganui Central**, June 3: Mrs. Wilson took the chair and led Devotions. A motion of sympathy was passed for Mrs. Duxfield, our President, at the passing of her sister Mrs. Gill. Nine members present. A welcome was given to Miss Wadsworth after her long absence. Miss Kendal spoke on the "White Ribbon."

July 1: Mrs. Duxfield led Devotions and took the chair. Nine members present. Rev. Martin spoke on remembrance of several men who were fighters against the liquor traffic.

### HAWKE'S BAY DISTRICT

**Dannevirke**, June meeting: Splendid attendance in spite of wintry conditions. President in the chair. Temperance examinations dealt with, also poster and essay competitions. Reference made to an article in "The Outlook" on the subject, "Is Gambling Excessive?" Appeal made for literature for the Seamen's Rest at New Plymouth. A letter of commendation to be sent to the Borough Council for their action in making additions to the by-laws relative to drinking in the domains. The Rev. Mr. Dickens gave an address for which he was heartily thanked. Tea hostesses Mesdames Wallace and Middleton and Miss Thompson. Good offering for "White Ribbon" funds taken up.

### MANAWATU DISTRICT

**Feilding**, July 7: Mrs. Tremaine presided. Mrs. Taylor led Devotions and spoke on the "Bonds of Fellowship." Three visitors from the Palmerston North Union warmly welcomed. They took over the meeting and entertained with recitations and talks. Thanks were extended to them. A letter of thanks

received from Miss C. M. McLay for "Y.P. Supplements" sent to her for her work amongst the Maoris. Railway station box kept well supplied with our literature. "Bring and Buy" did good trade. Attendance good. Collection for Seamen's Rest at New Plymouth realised £1/1/6. Mrs. Stewart closed the meeting with prayer.

**Levin, April 21:** President in the chair. Mrs. King led Devotions. Pledge and Temperance Fact and Band of Hope report. Mrs. Muirhead, Leader. Letters of greeting sent to several sick friends and members. Mrs. Burnham read Dominion Secretary's report. Decided to have Sales Table at each meeting. Good response for gifts of produce to be sent to Maori Girls' Hostel. Tea hostesses Mesdames Hale, Austin, Henshie and Miss Patching.

**May 19:** Mrs. Storey presided. Devotions led by Mesdames Foston and Kennerley. Pledge and Roll Call. Temperance Fact. Letter of thanks from Mrs. Long for produce sent to Hostel. Article on Peace Day read by Mrs. Burnham. Adjutant Major gave most interesting talk on work conducted in hotels in several areas in which he has worked. Votes of thanks. Tea hostesses Mesdames Henshie and Plasher. Prayer and Benediction by Adjutant Major.

### WELLINGTON DISTRICT

**Wellington District Executive:** The Wellington District Executive was held on June 24 in the Lower Hutt Methodist Parlour. Only one Union failed to send a delegate. The District President gave a stirring devotional address. Mrs. Spencer extended a warm welcome to all delegates. She paid a tribute to the late Mrs. Tyler of Carterton, mentioning her great love for the W.C.T.U. The District President asked all to rise as a token of our respect. Letters of sympathy to be sent to those in sorrow and to our beloved sick. Peace Day came up for discussion and an attempt is to be made to hold a large Peace Meeting, the date and month yet to be decided. The Treasurer gave the financial statement. Mrs. Watt spoke with much appreciation of the Youth Work in Belmont and suggested that a donation of £1 be granted towards expenses. All were agreed upon this, and later it was proposed that the Brooklyn "Y.s" should have the same amount. To show our appreciation for services rendered by our District Secretary, Mrs. Reed, during Dominion Convention we took up a collection and presented it to her as a love gift. She suitably replied, and a posy of flowers was given to her by Mrs. Freeman. Noontide observed. Mrs. Sired read the N.C.W. Remits and discussion followed on them. Mrs. Grigg spoke on the "White Ribbon," emphasising the special article on Nationalisation of the Drink Trade by Cecil Heath, B.A. She brought a few spare copies for sale. Masterston brought a brief account of what has been done in their Union since Dominion Convention. Mrs. Spencer told of Mrs. Emery's interest in commencing the Youth Work in Te Kuiti, and we were delighted to hear from Mrs. Grigg that a Band of Hope has been formed. All were glad to know that Petone Union, recently re-formed, shows signs of holding on. The weather was kind, adding to the pleasure of a happy and useful day. The Benediction concluded the meeting.

**Brooklyn, June 29:** Mrs. Pearson was hostess at the meeting held in her home. 13 present. Devotions led by Mrs. Greenwood. Usual business. Essay and Poster Competition announcements to be sent to all Sunday Schools and also to the Day School. Team elected to help in CORSO packing on July 14. Members are knitting cuffs for CORSO. Temperance Fact by Mrs. Gillings read from "White Ribbon." Members in turn spoke for two minutes on "Why I joined the W.C.T.U." Collection taken for "W.R." Mrs. Pearson did good business at the Sales Table. Sigil Prayer and Benediction.

**Wellington Central, June 15:** "White Ribbon Day." Mrs. Sired presided over a good attendance. Devotions led by Mrs. Andrew. Several sick members written to. Mrs. McDonald, a visitor, spoke of her early associations with Wellington Central. Mrs. Morris appointed delegate to District Executive at Hutt. Mrs. Grigg gave interesting talk on early days of the "White Ribbon." Benediction pronounced by President.

### MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT

**Blenheim, July 6:** Mrs. N. Forbes presided. 18 present, including two visitors. 10 apologies. Mrs. W. B. Wilson led Devotions, reading Psalm 145. Roll call, a verse of Scripture. The speaker was the Rev. K. Gregory, Vicar of Wairau Valley Parochial District, his subject being taken from Gal. 5, verses 22 and 23, and emphasising the importance of "joy." Mr. Gregory spoke on food conditions in Britain, which he left three months ago. Appreciation voiced by several members, and a vote of thanks passed by acclamation. Mrs. Wilson closed meeting with Prayer.

### NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

**Christchurch, June 9:** Miss C. Henderson presided, and to celebrate our Peace Day gave instructive talk with helpful suggestions to show us what our attitude was to Prevention of War, and the establishment of International Peace Courts. Report on New Brighton Social Temperance Essay and Poster Competition posters taken and delivered at schools and Sunday Schools.

**June 23:** To celebrate "W.R. Day" members read extracts from our paper, and Miss Henderson, who presided, gave an interesting talk from the Editor's article on the 50 years of the "W.R.," holding in her hand a fifth year copy. £3/3/- sent to "W.R." Fund. Report on successful Social given by Riccarton Union. Gifts received for "Food for Britain." A new member welcomed and initiated.

**Reefton, June 9:** Mrs. Thompson, President, led the meeting. Mr. Trim, Methodist Minister, attended the meeting with a questionnaire from the Methodist Temperance Connexional Committee, 1948. An interesting afternoon was spent in answering the questions. Collection for "W.R. Day" Fund. Meeting closed with Prayer.

**Spreydon:** Mrs. Ancall, President, chaired the meeting and gave a five-minute paper on Gambling, which opened up some discussion on the subject. Patients of the Mental Hospital expressed appreciation of gifts provided. District report presented and correspondence received. Financial position firm. Invitations to sister Unions' Birthday celebrations received and accepted. Benediction.

**Riccarton, June 29:** Good attendance at the home of the President. Mrs. Griffiths led Devotions. Visitors welcomed. Three letters of sympathy to be sent out. "White Ribbon," Treasurer's and Executive reports given. Remit on delaying of emigration pending provision of housing discussed, also rationing of beer. Mental Hospital report good. Two articles on Gambling read by the President. Vote of thanks to President for her hospitality. Benediction.

**July 8:** 21 present. Devotions led by Miss Hughes. Executive report received. Three members offered hospitality for District Convention. Request for helpers for CORSO collection. Four months' supply of "Beacon" had been purchased by President for distribution amongst Methodist Sunday School children. Essay and Poster Competition discussed. "Memorial Day" observed by a talk on "Pioneer Women" by Mrs. Newth, for which she was warmly thanked. "All Round the World" and Benediction.

**Sydenham, July 1:** Mrs. Filer presided over attendance of 10. Devotions led by Mrs. Davies. Very comprehensive address from President of District, Mrs. E. R. Clark, on harmful physical, moral and spiritual effects of alcohol. Interesting discussion on figures recently published showing drink bill for 1947 to work out at £9/1/11 per head of the population (£16,208,343). Attention given to press correspondence on the fact of liquor being supplied to youths of 15 years of age and upwards after sports gatherings.

### OTAGO DISTRICT

**Port Chalmers, June 16:** Fair attendance of members. "White Ribbon Day" observed by each member present reading an article, which helped to make up our own edition of a "White Ribbon." Collection for "W.R." Fund amounted to 4/-.

### SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

**Mrs. Mackie in Southland:** Mrs. E. M. Mackie visited Southland during June, spending a week in Gore and a week in Invercargill. A meeting with the District Executive opened activities in Invercargill, followed next day by a combined meeting of Unions, to which members of other women's organisations were invited. Four new members joined at this meeting. Next day Bluff was visited, when Methodists and Presbyterians combined at the latter's Guild Meeting with the members of the W.C.T.U., 30 women listening to Mrs. Mackie's address. Mrs. Mackie was interviewed by a representative of the Press and given a good write-up in the morning paper. She was also invited by the Superintendent of the Boralst to visit that institution, and was taken throughout the departments there. Her visit South cheered and enthused the Branches here and gave members fresh heart to go on with the work of the Union.

**Winton, May 18:** "Bring and Buy" sale held for Union Funds in the S.S. Hall. A fair attendance of members spent a pleasant afternoon.

**June 22:** Members met at the residence of Mrs. Williams to do honour to Miss Jean Bromley on the occasion of her approaching marriage. The President presented a gift to Miss Bromley. Mesdames Eastlake and Smart sang and a competition was won by Mrs. Haigh.

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**BLENHEIM**, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs. N. Forbes, 9 Grady St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. P. A. Stephens, Howick Rd.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. R. Watson, 4 Weld St.; Treas., Mrs. C. Webster, 33 Arthur St.; W.R., Mrs. W. J. Girling, Stephenson St.

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**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 Bairstow.

**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.

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**PALMERSTON NORTH**, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Baptist Hall. Pres., Miss C. Jamieson, 70 Albert St.; Sec., Mrs. Claridge, Milford Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Sexton; W.R., Mrs. Coles, 7 Oxford St.; C.R., Miss Connelly; Hospital Visitor, Mrs. White.

**PAPANUI**, 4th Tuesday, 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. Mayson.

**PAPATOETOE**, 3rd Wednesday, 2.0 p.m., Methodist Hall, Kolmar Rd. Pres., Mrs. Bartlett, 132 St. George St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Knaut; Sec., Mrs. Mollard, Allenby Rd.; Treas., Miss T. Heaven, Cornwall Rd.

**PICTON**, meets 2nd Tuesday, Methodist S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. E. Millen, Durham St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. J. T. Tennent, Auckland St.; Sec., Mrs. J. Martien, Kent St.; Treas., Mrs. V. Kirken, Buller St.; W.R., Mrs. J. Martien; Band of Hope and "Y" Supts., Mr. and Mrs. Powell.

**POINT CHEVALIER**, 2nd Thursday, Presbyterian Church, Pt. Chevalier Rd., at 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. M. P. Hooper, 298 Pt. Chevalier Rd.; Sec., Miss Macdonald, Montrose St.; Treas. and W.R., Mrs. Seed, Pt. Chevalier Rd., W.3.

**PORT CHALMERS**, 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Sailors' Rest Room. Pres., Mrs. G. Taylor; Sec., Mrs. J. Chambers, 1 Magnetic St.; Treas., Mrs. Jenkins, Wickliffe Tce.; W.R., Mrs. H. S. Watson; C.R., Mesdames Mirams and Watson.

**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. I. Osborn; Treas., Mrs. Christopher; White Ribbon, Mrs. Wood; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Millar; Maori Work, Sister Jessie; Evangelistic, Mrs. Read.

**PUKEKOHE**, 1st Tuesday at 2.30 p.m. in alternate Churches. Pres., Mrs. Curnow, Prospect Tce.; Sec., Mrs. Thornton, Ward St.; Treas., Mrs. Ellis, Seddon St.; C.R., Mrs. Clayton.

**REEFTON**, 2nd Thursday, 3.0 p.m., Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs. Thompson; Acting Sec., Treas., and W.R. Agent, Mrs. Gilmour, Buller Road.

**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. W. H. Scarrow; 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, at 2.30 p.m., at Baptist Church. Pres., Miss Dyson, "Althorpe"; Sec., Mrs. W. Houston, Hill St.; Treas., Miss L. Andrews, William St.; W.R., Mrs. Gill, Dorset Street.

**SHIRLEY-RICHMOND**, 2.30 p.m., 2nd Tuesday, in Presbyterian Church, Randall street. Pres., Mrs. W. Boulton; Sec., Mrs. J. Neville, 37 Percy Street; Treas., Mrs. R. Withers, 16 Randall Street; W.R. and C.R., Miss Schumacher, 59 Petrie Street.

**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; Sec., Mrs. W. E. Drewett, 63 Roker St., S.W.1; Treas., Mrs. Seivers; W.R., Mrs. E. Rogers, 37 Thackeray St., Waltham; C.R., Mrs. Garlick.

**TAURANGA**, 1st Tuesday, Methodist Han, 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; Corr. 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. Wm. Hewson, Hamilton St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Flintoff, Grocott and Woolford; Sec., Mrs. J. Holliday, Winchester; Treas., Mrs. Wm. Prewer, 87 Cass St.; C.R., Mrs. Allenby; W.R., Mrs. Lovatt.

**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, Wynyard St.; W.R., Mrs. W. J. Thompson; C.R., Mrs. Poolman.

**TE KOPURU**, 3rd Thursday, in Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. H. O. Bickers; Sec., Mrs. A. J. Wordsworth, P.O. Box 58; Treas., Mrs. Soole; W.R., Miss F. Wordsworth; Temp. Fact, Mrs. H. Taylor.

**TE KUITI (Maori)**, 2nd Friday at 10.30 a.m. in Maori Pa. Pres., Mrs. A. Josephs; Sec., Mrs. J. Emery, Esplanade; Treas., Mrs. R. Ewan; Youth Work, Mesdames G. McNaught and P. Hone; W.R., Mrs. P. Anderson; C.R., Mrs. P. Turner.

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

**TIMARU**, last Tuesday, at 2.15 p.m. in Sailors' Rest. Pres., Mrs. T. E. Holdgate; Sec., Mrs. Cave, 25 Raymond St.; Treas., Mrs. Thompson, 239 Otupua Rd.; W.R., Mrs. Howe, 166 Otupua Rd.; C.R., Miss Arras; Seamen, Miss Stevenson.

**TINWALD**, 4th Thursday, Presbyterian Church Hall, at 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Millar; Sec., Mrs. Oakley, 156 Victoria St., Ashburton; Treas., Mrs. Harkness, McMurdo St.; W.R., Mrs. Millar; C.R., Mesdames Millar and Hopwood.

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

**WAIPAWA**, 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**, 2nd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Knox Church Hall. Pres., Mrs. Duckett, Mary Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Kippenberger, Stark, Burnet and Griffiths; Sec., Mrs. C. Mills, 60 Belt Street; Treas., Miss S. Hayman, Willowbridge; W.R., Mrs. Tooley, 8 Grace Street; C.R., Miss P. Tooley and Mrs. Crawley.

**WAIPIKURAU**, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Hall. Pres., Miss Bibby, Rose St., Waipawa.

**WAIROA, H.B.**, 2nd Tuesday, at 2.30 p.m. in St. Andrew's Hall. Pres., Mrs. E. Haughton; Vice-Pres., Mrs. J. McDonald; Sec., Mrs. H. Brocklehurst, 108 Lahore St.; Treas., Mrs. Aldridge; C.R., Mrs. J. McDonald; W.R., Mrs. Edlington.

**WANGANUI CENTRAL**, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Trinity Church Parlour. Pres., Mrs. Duxfield, Okoia; 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. Albans' Hall. Pres., Mrs. Day; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Robb; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Jones; Treas., Miss V. Jarvis, 38 No. 3 Line; W.R., Mrs. Conybeer; C.R., Mrs. Ogier; L.T.L., Mrs. A. Jarvis.

**WARKWORTH**, 2nd Thursday, 2.0 p.m., in Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs. A. E. Baker; Vice-Pres., Mesdames McNaught, Bartle and Thompson; 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., at Headquarters. Pres., Miss Brooks; Acting Secretary, Mrs. Ross, 46 Brougham St., E.1; Treas. and W.R., Mrs. Duncanson, 70 Derwent St., S.2.

**WELLINGTON CENTRAL**, 3rd Wednesday, 2.0 p.m., Boardroom, Y.M.C.A., Willis St. Pres., Mrs. Sired, 29 Maida Vale Rd., E.1; Sec., Mrs. R. L. Andrew, 30 Fairview Cres., W.1; Treas., Mrs. Reed, 6 Bruce Ave., S.W.1; "W.R." Mrs. Parrant; C.R., Mrs. McGowan.

**WELLSFORD**, 4th Tuesday, 2.0 p.m., Methodist and Church of Christ Churches alternately. Pres., Mrs. E. V. Singleton, Mangawai; Sec., Mrs. E. Yates, Te Hana; Treas., Mrs. Singleton.

**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 Dinnias Ave.; C.R., Mrs. A. Green, 92 Kamo Rd.

**WINTON**, 3rd Tuesday, every 2nd month, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. T. A. Thomson, Section 2, Otahuti R.D., Invercargill; Sec., Miss H. Clement, Great North Road; Treas., Mrs. J. Bromley, Park Street; W.R., Mrs. McKenzie; C.R., Mrs. Dixon.