

Kelburn Presbyterian Church



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ANNUAL REPORT

Year Ending

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ANNUAL MEETING

Wednesday, August 30, at 7.30 p.m.

FOREWORD

DEAR Friends.—

Recently while I was conducting a service at the Crematorium I had a few moments to spare which I spent in examining the epitaphs on the memorials. On one there were these words, "She did what she could." At first I was struck by the strangeness of these words, but on further reflection the true implication came home to me. And as I thought of this epitaph, I thought of the Church and her workers. What a great thing it would be if of our work for the Church it could be said of us, "He did what he could." We are familiar with the common saying, "We must all do our bit." But this phrase always suggests to me the carefully calculated piece of service. What is "our bit"? Usually it is what our fellow-churchmen are doing. And service measured in terms like this comes very near the Pharisaic conception of religion. Much better for all of us is the saying on that memorial, "She did what she could," everything—mind, body, soul—striving all out for Christ and His Church and His Kingdom. I say this because this year our congregation will be launching the New Life Movement, the greatest spiritual movement in the history of our New Zealand Church. This movement, conceived under what we believe was the guidance of the Holy Spirit, has for its aim the revival of the spiritual life of the entire church and every congregation within the church and the extension of the work both here and overseas. I firmly believe that God is calling the Church in this as in other lands to put on the whole armour of Jesus Christ, for the day is undoubtedly coming when the Church and its deadliest foe, communism, will meet face to face in a life and death struggle. We as a Christian congregation will have to play our part in this struggle. Let each member prayerfully consider what he can best do with the talents that God has given him.

The reports that follow show that our congregational life is in a healthy condition. This should not breed in us any feeling of complacency, but encourage us to go forward in faith and confidence.

Mrs. Pellow and I desire once more to thank the congregation for their many gracious acts of kindness.

W. J. PELLOW, Minister.

OFFICE-BEARERS, 1950-51

MINISTER: Rev. W. J. Pellow, Th.M.
Assistant: Rev. W. Gardiner Scott, M.A.

KIRK SESSION

Messrs. G. W. Dick, G. W. Guthrie, R. H. D. Hall, F. J. Hanson, A. M. Lambert, A. McDougall, J. G. Reid, W. M. Singleton, J. R. Smith, G. Thompson, W. S. Thomson, H. Valentine, F. E. Wright, R. M. Ross (Session Clerk).

BOARD OF MANAGERS

Messrs. F. R. Andrew, R. L. Andrew, G. E. Blake, P. D. Clark, I. M. Cleland, O. B. Deane, B. N. Dow, R. A. Ewing, H. Gapes, J. J. Hollinger, C. C. Kenward, C. R. Lane, L. A. Low, Prof. F. F. Miles, E. D. McKenzie, D. MacLeod, J. A. McQueen, C. Moore, Sen., A. G. Robertson, Dr. C. J. Seelye, P. Smethurst, H. Walls, A. M. Williams.

ORGANIST: Mr. E. D. McKenzie, Dip. Mus., L.R.S.M.

P.W.M.U.

President: Mrs. G. Thompson.
Secretary: Mrs. E. McKenzie.
Treasurer: Miss C. Kennedy.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

President: Mrs. W. J. Pellow. Secretary: Miss M. Purvis.
Busy Bees: Mrs. A. M. Lambert (Leader).
M.M.B.L. Secretary: Mrs. P. Smethurst.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Mr. F. E. Wright (Superintendent), Mrs. A. M. Lambert (Superintendent, Primary Department). Teachers: Mesdames J. H. Hall, Valentine, Phillips, Misses J. Andrew, E. Brennan, A. Hall, A. Rose, Messrs. I. M. Cleland and M. Muir.

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

President: Mrs. H. Gapes. Secretary: Mrs. J. N. Hall.

YOUNG MARRIED WOMEN'S CIRCLE

President: Mrs. A. M. Lambert. Secretary: Mrs. E. G. Williams.

BIBLE CLASS LEADERS

Young Women's Senior: Miss L. Dilleston.
Young Women's Intermediate: Miss E. Hall.
Young Women's Junior: Miss M. Purvis.
Young Men's Senior: Mr. B. N. Dow.
Young Men's Intermediate: Mr. S. McKenzie.
Young Men's Junior: Mr. C. G. Green.

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Annual Report

KIRK SESSION The Kirk session submits its 42nd annual report, and in doing so gives thanks to the Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, from whose gracious Hand so many rich blessings have been received during the past year.

The most important event of the year was the decision of the congregation to accept the suggestion made by the Chaplaincy Committee of the Student Christian Movement to have the Chaplain of the S.C.M. at Victoria University College appointed as an assistant to the minister. After the necessary steps had been taken, the Presbytery inducted the Rev. W. Gardiner Scott, M.A., to the position on Thursday, March 30th. A congregational welcome was given Mr. Scott on the following Sunday at the close of the evening service. The session appreciates the contribution he is making to the work of the congregation and rejoices that he has endeared himself to young and old alike.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed quarterly in September, December, March and June. The attendances were 174, 177, 152, 165, an average of 167, which is altogether too low for a congregation with a communicant membership of over 250 persons. Historically our church is a sacramental church and we feel that our people should rise to the worthy traditions of our forefathers in this matter. Some of our people are very diligent in their attendance at communion, but there are a few who apparently place little value upon this important means of grace. Eucharistical Communion was observed at the morning service on October 6th.

The minister has administered the Sacrament of Baptism to 33 persons. This represents an all-time record for the parish.

Twenty-four members were added to the roll of communicants; eight by confession of faith, and sixteen by certificates from other congregations. Seventeen names were removed from the roll; fourteen by disjunction certificates and three by death. The roll now stands at 256, a net increase of six for the year.

The session has decided to continue holding services preparatory to the Communion on the Sunday morning preceding the Communion. This arrangement has been found very satisfactory. These services have been particularly impressive when our young people have made their solemn vows in the presence of the whole congregation.

The General Assembly was held at Timaru and the Session was represented by Mr. L. B. Mushet. Mr. George Thompson has represented the session again on the Presbytery.

During the year several members of our congregation have passed from our midst into higher service in the heavenly kingdom. They are Mrs. R. Gibbins, Messrs. Hopkirk and M. C. Young and Graeme Buchanan Mushet. Rejoicing in the communion of Saints

we give praise for all that they were in this life; and to their beloved we extend our very deep sympathy.

In memory of their young son, Mr. and Mrs. Mushet and Alvan presented to the church a beautiful silver communion cup for use at the Communion Services. It is a fitting memorial to a brave and patient sufferer. The session extends its grateful thanks to the family for their acceptable gift.

During the year a number of special services were held. The three missionary Sundays set by the General Assembly for the presentation of the work on Foreign, Home and Maori fields were duly observed. Mr. T. Kōpiha, Under-Secretary for Maori Affairs, addressed the congregation on Maori Mission Sunday. Dr. Miller spoke on the work of the Mission to Lepers. Mr. H. S. Cross presented the claims of the Old People's Home, Island Bay. The children's Christmas Carol service under the direction of Miss J. Andrew was a source of real inspiration. In addition there have been several youth services in which the young people and their leaders have taken part.

During the year religious instruction under the Bible in Schools League was given by the minister at Kelburn and Northland Public Schools.

The Presbytery allotted five broadcast services to our church for the year 1950 with the understanding that two of these should be taken by outside ministers. The Rev. J. S. Murray, secretary of the Missions Committee, broadcast on March 21st and the Rev. J. Cumming will broadcast later in the year. The Session rejoices in the privilege and opportunity of service to the wider work of the church which these broadcasts afford.

Mr. L. B. Mushet tendered his resignation as session clerk in April on his removal to Karori. Mr. Mushet served this congregation as treasurer for many years and for the last six years he was session clerk. It was with regret that the congregation bade farewell to him and his family at a social. Many fine tributes were paid to him and Mrs. Mushet for the splendid contributions they both made to the church.

The Session has appointed Mr. R. M. Ross Session Clerk, and he is carrying out the duties in keeping with the high standard set by his predecessors. Mrs. Lane tendered her resignation as Superintendent of the primary Sunday School at the beginning of this year. The session has placed on record its appreciation of the magnificent contribution which Mrs. Lane made to the work of the Sunday School over the last seven years. She won the confidence of the parents and she enjoyed the affection of the great number of children who passed through her hands. Her position has been filled by Mrs. Alan Lambert.

The News Letter has been put on a better basis during the year and is fulfilling a very useful function in keeping the whole congregation informed of the work of the church.

At a congregational meeting held on 25th June the following Managers who retired in rotation were re-elected for a further term of three years: Messrs. P. D. Clark, C. R. Lane, J. A. McQueen, A. D. Robertson, P. Smethurst, and Professor F. F. Miles, and for a similar period as new managers, Messrs. G. E. Blake and B. N. Dow.

The Session extends its sincere thanks to all who have given loyally of their services to the congregation during the past year, and records its deep appreciation of the faithful work of Miss G. Davidson in providing the flowers for every church service.

In conclusion we would record the sincere thanks of the Session and congregation to our Minister, Mr. Fellow. His sermons are always carefully prepared and the service of worship is conducted with dignity and reverence. To Mrs. Fellow we also extend our thanks for the assistance she gives in the work of the Cradle Roll and the church generally.

P.W.M.U. In presenting the annual report of the Kelburn Branch of the P.W.M.U. for the year ending 1950 we do so with gratitude to God for His guidance and care. Three executive meetings and ten general meetings were held during the year with an average attendance of 22 members at the general meetings. Members number 45, of whom 13 are associate members.

During the year members attended by invitation meetings held by the W.C.F.U. to welcome Mrs. Forrester Paton, the world president. Kelburn Young Marrieds' Circle party, St. Andrew's coin afternoon, and Kent Terrace Anniversary party were held.

In October a guest afternoon was held when 30 visitors from Seatoun and Roseneath P.W.M.U.'s were present.

In June two Bibles were handed to P.A. for use in the New Hebrides. In August members took their turn in providing afternoon tea at P.A. In September a "bring-and-buy" sale was held which proved very successful and increased funds by £51/15/8. In October members helped with packing for Corso and orphanage mending. In November a "cradle roll" party was held.

In April the P.W.M.U. combined with the Women's Association to bid farewell to Mrs. Mushet, who will be associated with the Karori Church in future. In presenting her with a gift from members of both organisations Mrs. Dunn spoke of the valued services rendered by Mrs. Mushet during the lengthy period she was with the Kelburn Church.

We regret to record the deaths of two members, Mrs. Gibbins and Miss Daphne Clemens.

Speakers.—The following addresses were given during the year:—

Mrs. Chisholm: Opening of Dr. Laws' church in Livingstonia. Also Life in Rumania.
 Rev. A. D. Horwell: Home Mission Stations already in operation and new ones to be opened in future.
 Mrs. Mushet: On trip round Maori Mission Fields.
 Miss Grant: Bible Society work in Africa.
 Rev. Ian Dixon: Work in Nae Nae and Taika new housing area.

Mr. Mushet: Trip round Maori Mission fields and schools.
 Mrs. Singleton: Missionary Quiz.
 Mrs. Mushet: Conference Report.
 Mrs. Chisholm: Life as a young missionary and New Life Movement.
 Members' Day.
 Rev. W. Gardiner Scott: Student Movement House in London.

Mission Box.—The amount collected through the Mission boxes was £55, from 53 boxes, an increase of £1/7/8 on last year's contributions.

Maori Mission Birthday League.—Mrs. Smethurst reports a total of £16/18/8 contributed, as against £15/17/9 in 1949, an increase of £1/0/11.

Associate Members.—Mrs. Blake reports 18 members on the roll, 13 of whom are financial; 10 take the Harvest Field, 12 are members of the M.M.B.L., and 9 have Mission boxes.

Field Work.—Mrs. Seator reports a large sack of clothing for Taupo Mission Field. The sum of £4/8/8 was raised at the trading table, this amount going towards the Wellington Deaconess Furnishing Fund. A miscellaneous medical parcel was sent to Rev. A. G. Horwell, New Hebrides, the approximate value being just over £3.

Harvest Field.—Miss Davidson reported the same number as last year, a total of 58 subscribers.

P.S.S.A.—Mesdames Tait and McLean represent the P.W.M.U. on the P.S.S.A. Auxiliary. Two afternoons were spent by members mending for one of the P.S.S.A. homes.

Deaconess Committee.—Miss Kennedy and Mrs. Ross are representatives on this committee.

Hon. Auditor.—To Mr. A. Lambert grateful thanks are again due for his help in preparing and examining the financial statement for the year.

In conclusion we wish to thank all who have helped the Missions work of our Church. The following amounts have been handed to the Church Treasurer:—

General Missions	£	s.	d.
Wellington Deaconess Furnishing Fund	126	19	4
M.M.B. League	4	3	8
A total of	£148	1	8

BUSY BEES The roll stands at 22, with an average attendance of 15. In July, 1949, at the district rally in St. John's, Kelburn Bocs presented a short play as part of the programme, and handed in a small parcel of jackets and knitted articles. For the remainder of the year the children worked towards the Sale of Work and Concert held in November. The handwork done since July was on display, and will be handed in at the next district rally. A play, "Pam's Magic Threepenny," was presented, and the sum of £27/10/- was handed to the church treasurer for Busy Bees' Own Missionaries. A parcel of toys was sent to the Rev. Hemi Potatau for his Sunday School's Christmas tree.

Badge day was held in June, 1950, when a surprise party, given by the P.W.M.U. was much appreciated. The children gave a short play reading telling of their own workers.

The children and their leader wish to thank members of the P.W.M.U. and others for their generous help and encouragement.

SUNDAY SCHOOL Our Sunday activities have been most encouraging. The roll number at the close of upper classes, and 35 girls and 26 boys in the primary classes. The response to our appeal for teachers has been very gratifying, resulting in a full staff throughout the year.

Our primary Sunday School under Mrs. Alan Lambert, assisted by Misses Eunice Brennan, Ann Rose and Ailsa Hall, continues with this most important work amongst the smaller children.

Teachers.—We desire to express our appreciation of the services of Mesdames W. M. Singleton, H. Valentine and J. C. Phillips, Miss

Joan Andrew and Messrs. I. M. Cleland and Mervyn Muir, the present teachers, and Mesdames C. K. Lane and F. G. Hanson, Miss Joyce Thomson and Messrs. W. Hannah and Grant Chisholm, who have resigned for various reasons. Special thanks are due to Miss Joan Andrew for her work in preparing the pupils for the Christmas Choral and broadcast services.

Special Annual Prizes.—Mrs. Johns' prize for girls was won by Rosalie Smetthurst, and the McLeod Memorial Prize for boys was won by James Cleland. These special prizes are awarded to the best all-round girl and boy in the Senior Classes.

The Christmas Tree and Fancy Dress Party were again held at the break-up in conjunction with the prize-giving ceremony. Every child received a gift from the Christmas tree.

Our annual picnic held at Scots' College grounds was largely attended. The weather was good and the picnic was most enjoyable.

CRADLE ROLL During the past year the names of 25 children have been added to the Cradle Roll. Several names have been removed on the occasion of the child's fourth birthday, but in most cases they have already been enrolled in the Primary Sunday School. The total number on the roll on June 30th was 51.

The annual Cradle Roll party for children and their mothers was held in the early part of the year and was as usual a most happy event. A feature of this year's party was the large number of babies in arms and small toddlers who were present to meet their contemporaries. Our thanks are due to members of the Women's Association and of the Young Marrieds' Circle who worked so hard to make the party a success.

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION The main work of the Women's Association this year has been confined to monthly meetings with a break in the summer. The average attendance for the nine meetings held was 26.

At last annual meeting our minister, Mr. Pellow, spoke warmly and vividly of the life and work of John Bunyan; and thereafter the Association was fortunate to hear a succession of women speakers dealing with such varied topics as the Society for the Protection of Women and Children, Cacti and Succulents, Life in India, and Travel in Great Britain, the United States and Europe. The annual Grandmothers' Afternoon in November attracted 13 grandmothers, who mustered among them 68 grandchildren. One lady who attended had 26 grandchildren.

In March the Association shared the congregation's loss of the Musher family. Mrs. L. B. Musher was secretary and treasurer of the Women's Association from the day of its foundation in 1941 until her election to the Presidency four years ago. She remained President until her resignation from membership upon removal from the parish. At the March meeting the Association joined with the P.W.M.U. to honour Mrs. Musher and to thank her for many years of devoted church work in Kelburn. The presentation made to her from both organisations carried with it many assurances of continuing friendship. Mrs. I. Gapes was elected President for the remainder of the year.

Our thanks are due to many people in the congregation and beyond it, who have helped towards the success of the year's work. Especially we thank our speakers and friends who contributed

musical and elocutionary items, and above all we return humble thanks to God for the fellowship we enjoy here, and for the opportunity the Association gives us of fuller Christian service.

YOUNG MARRIED WOMEN'S CIRCLE At the close of our fifth year we are pleased to report that interest has been steadily maintained, our roll now being 20, with an average attendance of 14.

Interesting addresses have been given by Mrs. Barron (Vocational Guidance), Mrs. Meyer (Life in Germany), Mrs. Harvie (a Holiday in Kashmir, India), Mrs. Spence (Toymaking), Mrs. Temple (Living Conditions and Food Rationing in Scotland during the war), Mrs. McCaskey and Sister Helen Arndt (Women's Fellowship).

Study evenings were held on two occasions, studies being from the booklet issued by the Women's Committee of the National Council of Churches.

In May of this year the P.W.M.U. invited the Circle to attend an evening meeting. Many members were present at a most interesting and enjoyable evening, and we would express our thanks to the P.W.M.U. for this invitation.

In November last year an enjoyable and successful party was held, to which we invited all mothers of Sunday School children, together with members of other women's organisations of the church.

The members of the Circle assisted with the Cradle Roll party organised early this year by Mrs. Pellow.

We have again invited mothers of new babies and distributed small gifts made by our members for the baby box.

Formerly meetings were held in members' homes, but as attendances have increased we are now using the Fellowship Room at the church, meeting on the first Monday evening of each month.

We feel our Circle is fulfilling its purpose of encouraging Christian fellowship among the young married women of the congregation, and we cordially invite other to join our membership.

CHOIR The choir has had a busy twelve months, and the congregation has heard considerably more this year from it than was possible during the previous year.

With a membership round about twenty-four, there is an average attendance at practices of twelve. On Sundays there are usually more members present at the morning services than the evening, unless special music is being presented. On several occasions a choir of about twenty voices has been greatly appreciated by the evening congregation.

As in the previous year, the choir joined with St. Michael's in the street carol singing on three occasions prior to Christmas Day, in Kelburn and Highbury, and then on their own account visited Northland, which was not touched by the combined choirs, and received a great welcome from residents there on Thursday evening, 22nd December. As a result of the combined singing, we received £18/7/6 as our proportion, and from our own efforts in Northland the sum of £9/5/-. These amounts were added to the Organ Fund. Our thanks are due to members of the Bible Classes who assisted with the collections.

As Kelburn is one of the Presbyterian Churches being broadcast this year, the choir has had to put in some hard work in preparation for these services, but the results have been most gratifying, and should encourage members to devote more time to choir practice.

On Whitsunday the choir sang Eric Theman's cantata, "O Lord, the King of Glory." Mrs. Boardman and Mr. Gunn took the solo parts, and a large congregation appreciated the work. Requests have been received for it to be performed again.

At the conclusion of the first evening of combined carol singing with St. Michael's, the choir entertained the visitors to supper in the hall. On the first Thursday of each month members enjoy supper and games after the practice.

Several members have left us during the year, two of them proceeding overseas. We are always pleased to welcome new members who are able and willing to help with the work of the choir.

BROWNIES The Brownie Pack has had a successful year under the leadership of its "Brown Owl," Miss Barbara Hall. The Brownies have earned nine proficiency badges, and three "golden bars," while one three-year, three two-year, and eight one-year service stars have been awarded.

The Brownies have paraded at Family Services, and also with the Kelburn Girl Guides.

A Birthday Party was held in April to celebrate the fourth anniversary of the Pack.

During the year the numbers have dropped to eighteen regular attenders. This makes vacancies for several girls in the Pack, and parents of any girls who are interested are asked to see "Brown Owl."

SENIOR Y.W.B.C. This year has been a most successful one. The average number of girls attending has been 6, although we have a total number of 12 girls. We have been very pleased to welcome Miss L. Dilleston as our new leader, although we were very sorry to lose Miss Grant. Mamie Purvis did a great service to our class by taking us during the months in which we had no permanent leader. Three new members have come to us from other churches. We held a "bring-and-buy" with the other classes, and the resultant figure proved how generously the church members had responded, in spite of the inclement weather. This year we have had a large number of Sunday teas with excellent speakers, and very enjoyable socials. In weekly offerings we collected only £3/4/6, but as we had no permanent leader on Sunday evenings the class diminished quite considerably. However, the position has improved. Mr. Gardiner Scott took the Bible classes out to the "holiday house" at Paraparauamu, where we spent a very memorable weekend. Mr. Scott's talks on the Lord's Prayer were particularly inspiring. Six girls attended Easter camp at Reikorangi, and as usual had a wonderful time. Several girls sang in the combined Wadestown-Kelburn choir in the C.Y.C. competitions and were elated to achieve first place. The study book we have used is "Unto the Hills," which is very interesting if a trifle simple. While our attendances could have been a little more consistent, the whole year has been one of our most rewarding, for six girls joined the church as communicant members.

INTERMEDIATE Y.M.B.C. At the beginning of the school year the Junior Y.W.B.C. was promoted to the Intermediate position. There are six members in the class, and the leader is Miss Barbara Hall. Through offerings and gifts the class was able to raise £7 towards the Missions Quota.

The Syllabus being studied is "Unto the Hills," and much valuable assistance is being given by Mr. Fellow at his "leaders' meetings."

Five members and their leader attended Easter Camp this year.

Our class has taken part keenly in all the socials, dances and Bible Class teas held during the year. A very happy and instructive weekend was spent at the Holiday House under the wise guidance of Mr. Scott.

JUNIOR Y.W.B.C. This year the Junior Girls' class consists of 11 members with Miss M. Purvis as Leader. Our studies have been varied and interesting, taken mainly from the syllabus "Unto the Hills." The attendance of our class is very good.

The sum of £16/19/5 was collected by the girls' classes towards missions.

A successful "bring-and-buy" sale was held in February and this finished our district quota of £230 towards the "Camp Site Fund." The members of the congregations are thanked for their generous support and help.

Four of our members had their first experience of an Easter camp.

Under the guidance of Mr. Scott a very happy weekend was held at the P.S.S.A. Holiday House, Paraparauamu Beach, and we are looking forward to another such weekend.

The Saturday social evenings held have been very enjoyable. In the coming year may we strive to live our motto, "The Utmost for the Highest."

SENIOR Y.M.B.C. The Senior Young Men's Bible Class has completed a successful year under the leadership of Neil Dow, who has willingly led the class since the departure of Alan Miles for England. The class is deeply indebted for the contribution Alan has made to the life and work of the class.

We have seven members. Throughout the year we have taken part in the activities of the church and Bible Class movements.

Attendance at Easter camp and the Paraparauamu Retreat did much for the fellowship and spiritual well-being of us all.

INTERMEDIATE Y.M.B.C. Under the leadership of Mr. Stuart McKenzie the class of five has carried on steadily. £5/2/- was raised for the Mission Quota by direct giving and 18/- for the New Life Movement. The study book used was once again "Unto the Hills."

Two members attended Easter camp and the class has enthusiastically supported working bees and socials during the past year.

JUNIOR Y.M.B.C. During the year the leadership of the class passed from Mr. H. A. Pledger to Mr. C. G. Green.

Although membership is at present only five, attendances are well sustained and class members take an active part in socials, Saturday Night Club and other class activities.

The Class book being used is "Unto the Hills."

CAMP SITE FUND During the year the Bible Classes completed the raising of their Camp Site Quota of £230. Over £30 was raised at a sale of work held early this year, this sum of money completing our quota and contributing several pounds towards the New Life Movement. Thanks are due to the many friends who under God have aided us in fulfilling our obligations in this matter.

BOARD OF MANAGERS The Board of Managers renders grateful thanks to God for the financial and material success of another year in the life of the congregation.

Several changes in the personnel and their duties are recorded. Mr. Fletcher resigned, as he is moving to Pukerua Bay, and Mr. Kuskie, the Official Secretary to the Australian High Commissioner, has returned to Australia. Mr. Smethurst has taken over the position of Outlook Agent and has increased the number of subscribers. Mr. R. Hall resigned from the position of Envelope Secretary, after holding it for a period of five years, and Mr. A. G. Robertson has taken his place.

During the year it was decided to re-form the Cub Pack and make it a "restricted pack" instead of a "closed pack." This was done because insufficient boys were coming from the Sunday School to make the troop worth while. The result has been a waiting list of boys wishing to join.

The main work in the grounds this year has been the re-forming and sealing of the path to the Junior Sunday School and the planting of shrubs on the banks. A further dozen are due to be planted shortly, which should finalise the planting. These should enhance the beauty of the grounds as they grow.

The help of the Bible Classes at the working-bees held throughout the year to keep the grounds in order is greatly appreciated.

As regards the financial position of the congregation, the year has been satisfactory. Current receipts covered current payments including a record budget assessment from the General Treasurer. The income, however, was not sufficient to meet wholly the overdraft of £115 caused by the abnormal property expenses of the previous year, but a special offering amounting to £84 enabled it to be paid off.

The organisations of the congregation again contributed generously to the budget, raising a total of £232. The offerings by means of the envelope system and the plate showed increases.

During the year a further £66 was raised for the Bible Classes Camp Sites Fund, principally by the Classes themselves, and the congregation contributed £81 to the P.S.S.A. Old People's Home Building Fund. For all this generous support the Board expresses its thanks to the congregation.

In the last annual report it was mentioned that a family had decided to donate a pulpit and that a plan had been drawn by an architect. The necessary oak timber was not available during the

year, however, and the family has deposited the sum of £200 with the Treasurer to meet the cost of the work.

The year ahead promises to be somewhat more difficult as the estimated expenses both for ourselves and the General Treasurer's assessment have increased. It is likely that the same revenue as that of the year just closed, including the final special offering, will be needed to meet commitments detailed in the budget below.

The coming year will also see the launching of the greatest appeal in the history of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand, the object being to raise £500,000 for the work at home and abroad. Kelburn's quota is £2,875. The Board has considered the matter and has decided to recommend to the congregation that the appeal be supported and the quota subscribed. Further details will be supplied at a later date.

FOR OURSELVES:

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Stipends	550	0	0	General Treasurer's			
Car allowance	35	0	0	Ass't. for missions,	450	0	0
Organist's salary	65	0	0	etc.			
Assembly expenses	14	0	0	P.S.S.A.	15	0	0
Presbytery expenses	5	0	0				
Beneficiary Fund Asst.	25	0	0				
Sunday School expenses	85	0	0				
Painting Reserve	30	0	0				
Heating, lighting, cleaning	85	0	0				
Insurance, rates	43	0	0				
Printing, advertising	27	0	0				
Property expenses	50	0	0				
Telephone, postages	15	0	0				
Newsletter, circulars	30	0	0				
Sundry expenses	30	0	0				
	<u>£1,089</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	Total expenses	<u>£1,504</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

FOR OTHERS:

	£	s.	d.
General Treasurer's			
Ass't. for missions,	450	0	0
etc.			
P.S.S.A.	15	0	0

ENVELOPE SECRETARY

The amount contributed through the Freewill Offering system was £738/6/7, compared to a total of £715 10/8 last year, the number of subscribers increasing from 102 to 106. Less than half the members of the Church are contributors to the Freewill Offerings and the Secretary will welcome new members to the system.

TRUST ACCOUNTS.

(to nearest £)

FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1950.

Account.	Balance 1/7/1949	Receipts during year.	Total.	Payments during year.	Balance 30/6/1950.	Total.
Benevolent Fund	18	—	18	—	13	5
Mrs. Johns Memorial Fund	21	1	22	1	21	13
Geo. McLeod Memorial Fund	84	1	85	1	84	22
Pipe Organ Extension Fund	11	33	44	—	44	13
Property (Trees) Account	29	—	29	—	29	44
Painting Reserve	132	38	170	—	170	29
Women's Association	29	1	30	3	27	44
Miss E. Holmes Legacy	166	4	170	—	170	30
New Pulpit Fund	—	200	200	—	200	170
S.S. Pionic Fund	1	18	19	19	—	170
B.C. Camps Fund	96	66	162	162	—	30
Overseas Parcels Fund	5	—	5	—	5	170
	£587	£302	£899	£186	£713	£899

MISSIONS AND SPECIAL OBJECTS ACCOUNT
FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1950

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Balance 1st July, 1949—	8 0	By Missions Budget	410 0 0
" Sunday School Bibles	8 0	" Deaconsess Furnishing Fund	4 3 8
" Overseas Parcels	4 10 1	" Leper Mission	18 14 9
" B.C. Camp Sites	95 12 3	" Wellington P.S.S.A.	28 0 0
Missions—		" Sunday School Prizes	1 2 6
P.W.M.U.	126 19 4	" Bible Class Camp Sites Fund	162 1 0
Sunday School	31 3 0	" Bible Class Retreat Exps.	3 8 0
Y.W.B.C.	16 19 5	" P.S.S.A. Old People's Home	81 0 0
Y.M.B.C.	18 0 0	" Balance 30/6/1950—	—
Busy Bees	27 10 0	S.S. Bibles	14 6
M.M.B.T.	16 18 8	New Pulpit	200 0 0
Donations	14 9 0	Overseas Parcels	4 10 1
Transfer from General Acct.	158 0 7		
To Wellington P.S.S.A.—	410 0 0		
Contributions	12 19 6		
Transfer from General Acct.	15 0 6		
To P.W.M.U. Wgtn. Deaconsess	28 0 0		
Furnishing Fund	4 3 8		
Leper Mission	18 14 9		
S.S. Prizes	1 9 0		
B.C. Camp Sites Fund	66 8 9		
B.C. Retreat	3 8 0		
Anon. Donation for Pulpit	200 0 0		
P.S.S.A. Old People's Home	81 0 0		
	£913 14 6		

