

Rotary in New Zealand

The following are only a few of many activities participated in by Rotary clubs in New Zealand recently reported by past district governor Fred Hall-Jones (Dist. 53):

The Heritage Society—This is an incorporated society which has asked Rotary to establish branches through—out the country. The object, briefly, is to foster the careers of those children who have lost their fathers in the present war. This will be a major activity of Rotary this year.

Health Camps—These camps are the direct product of the Rotary clubs, who launched appeals, purchased sites, erected buildings, and set up Health Camp committees to run the camps. The splendid £9000 building at Nelson is the direct product of the Nelson Rotary club. The

Wellington club makes a special effort and raises £200 annually to send children to the health camp.

Rural-Urban Meetings — Palmerston North last year had 40 farmers at a luncheon, and later took them over the research plots of Massey College. Nelson entertains some 20 farmers annually, and the New Plymouth club holds a special gathering twice a year in some country town with the local farmers.

Dunedin brings in 20 boys from the country and gives them a week in the town visiting factories and firms, and a week in the Y.M.C.A. camp at Waitati. Mosgiel selects farms where agricultural students from town can do their practical training.

Picnic for the Aged-130 aged folk were taken out this year by the Gore club to an afternoon tea and entertainment.

War Finance—Particularly in the main centres club members, through their business organizations, have collected large sums for war loans; Christchurch sold over £80,000 of bomber bonds; and Auckland found nearly £10,000 for the Patriotic. Hastings worked on the Queen Carnival. Timaru is running a copper and silver trail and an auction, and the ladies of Rotary a shop.

Rotarians Have Their Part to Play

In the bulletin of the Rotary club of Wampum (Pa.), for May 7, 1943, we find the following:—

A great war is in progress. It has long been in progress. The present armed hostilities are but one episode of it. This war will not be ended when and because armed hostilities have ceased. Humanity will continue to be in turmoil until the problems that confront humanity are solved.

Rotarians have their part to play in this great war. The Rotary program proposes and urges that men shall be thoughtful of and helpful to each other in their business and social relations—in towns and cities, in urban-rural regions, in nations and in the cooperation of nations.

Men can not carry out such a program by inactivity or by wishful thinking. In numbers the Rotarians are comparatively few but in influence they may be powerful—if they will to be so. They must have courage to invade every field of human relations with their advocacy of tolerance, understanding, good will and cooperation for the welfare of all as the basis of right human relations.

-Chesley R. Perry R.I. Secretary, 1910-1942

Rotary in the U.S.A.

Berkeley, California, Rotary club recently sent a check for \$100 to the Oakland Naval Hospital for the purchase of hand-craft materials. It made possible a program for ambulatory and bed patients which includes weaving, leatherwork, belt knotting, painting and sketching, clay modelling and wood burning.

PROGRESS IN SAN FRANCISCO

The Rotary Club of San Francisco, where the post-war Work Pile project originated in the local Chamber of Commerce, states that the first seven reports completed by industries in the community showed nearly \$10,000,000 in jobs ready to go. They are expecting from 150 to 250 of these reports when the survey is completed. None of these reports involve any public spending or debt; all cover private enterprise only. It is believed that 1,000 or more men will be working on the compilation of these reports in making up San Francisco's Work Pile.

The Boys on Furlough

Whenever you see one of our boys in the service home on furlough, be sure to extend an invitation to come to Rotary as a guest. Don't leave it to someone else thinking that some one may know him better. It will make him feel all the better if four or five ask him to come, and we certainly want to extend hospitality to our boys in the service.

-The Spokes Man Unadilla, New York

Not Leave Undone

A great Teacher once said: "These things ought ye to have done and not to leave the other undone." This is a pertinent word of caution to Rotarians to-day. We must help with rationing, civilian defense, building Work Piles, studying post-war problems. We must not leave undone those services to boys and girls, to community welfare, to business standards which Rotarians have done so helpfully in the past and which are quite as important today.

