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Dear Members and Friends,

In response to several members' suggestions as much as to other members' earnest pleas a few notes have found their way into print. Members having a long association with the I.P.A. will remember that a few attempts have been made in New Zealand to form our own section of the I.P.A. Efforts in this respect have met with little or no success in the past. However, as our present membership has exceeded 50 it is felt that the time is ripe to start something constructive.

A few members including myself have been fortunate to meet Ray Dodd, the Secretary General of the Australian Section, and after discussing all angles for the forming of our section definite steps have been taken with a view to starting the association on a proper basis in New Zealand. Some of the problems that we have to overcome concern the publishing of a magazine, the obtaining of badges and literature and the location and formation of the National Executive. It is at this stage that we need your help and interest, your ideas, your constructive criticism and your articles for our embryo magazine. Help us to make the New Zealand Section of the I.P.A. the success it promises to be.

I wish to welcome New Members to the Association. By joining you have made it possible for us to go ahead with the formation of the New Zealand Section. When New Zealand has been recognised at the Council Meeting in Toronto our Section will be properly on the map.

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS FROM JOHN COATES
Associate Secretary for Australia and
New Zealand

In October 1964 John Coates prepared a New Zealand Newsletter in which it was outlined that the IPA had established National Sections in 32 countries and that there were 29 members in New Zealand at the time. This newsletter may not have reached all the members at that time andit is unlikely that those who joined recently will have read it. John told us about the number of members in Australia, Bermuda and England who were keen to contact New Zealand members. We were told that on the 6th August 1964 Ray Dodd had been elected as the first Secretary General of the newly formed Australian Section.

John Coates was at that stage corresponding with about eight or ten New Zealand members. He was making every effort to help in the formation of the New Zealand Section. Since then John hasmet several of the New Zealand members in England and has also stepped up his correspondence to New Zealand.

A more recent newsletter from John Coates, dated July 1965 did not reach some of us till October. There may be others who did not receive it at all. At the end of this newsletter there was a pro-forma which was to be completed by members and forwarded to Trevor Cook in Auckland.

The purpose of this pro-forma was to obtain the support of a large number of members, so that immediate steps could be taken to have an inaugural meeting and elect office bearers for the New Zealand National Section. This support was not forthcoming. Had there been sufficient support at this stage the British Section were to be delegated to sponsor the New Zealand National Section at the International Executive Council meeting held in October 1965 in Barcelona, Spain. This has resulted in a further delay, but with your earnest support we trust that it may be possible to have the New Zealand Section accepted at the next International Executive Council meeting to be held in September 1966 at Toronto, Canada.

ORAKEI KORAKO

Heard of it? It means "Place of Adorning" and it is situated a little off the beaten track between Taupo and Rotorua. One of our members recently visited this thermal phenomena on the bank of the upper reaches of the Waikato River. If you have visited this spot before 1961 it will be well worth another visit as the turbulent section of the river has been transformed into a beautiful 24 mile lake Ohakuri. The resort at Orakei Korako has been built to take advantage of the views across the lake to the Emerald Terraces of silica and a large geyser called Aorangi. For about 7/6 per head you will be taken across the lake in a Jet boat, through the hot water area to the floating jetty at the main thermal area. There are dozens of interesting spots to see including Lord Cobham Geyser, My Lady's Lace, Golden Fleece and Aladdin's Magic Cave.

In 1859 a great Austrian Geologist, Ferdinand von Hochstetter, visited this area and selected a painting of Orakei Korako for the frontispiece of his work "The Geology of New Zealand."

The raising of the level of the Waikato River by 65 ft which resulted in the formation of the Hydro Electric Lake Ohakuri has also caused a considerable increase in the thermal activity of this spot. If any of you are passing near this area when on holiday and you have not seen it, I don't think you will be disappointed in a visit. Directions on how to get there - if travelling from Wellington then head for Taupo and continue on the No. 1 State Highway travelling towards Tokoroa. It is about 16 miles north of Taupo, there is a signpost which indicates the turnoff along the Tutkau Road. From Auckland, also along the No. 1 State Highway continues through Tokoroa and on to Atiamuri; about four miles South is the turnoff to Orakei Korako. Those coming from Rotoroa or Te Kuiti will be able to get to Atiamuri on the No. 30 Provincial State Highway. It may also be possible to get there by boat.

TRAVEL SECTION

On the 9th March PERCY GILMOUR and his wife set off in the 'Oriana' for a lengthy visit to numerous parts of the United States and Canada and then on to England. Jim Stoddart saw them off and wished them all the very best on their travels .

Ahead of Percy, but travelling the other way round the world are two N.Z. Policewomen, Josephine Callanan and Dorothy Waymouth. They set off from Wellington on the 'Orcades' on 1st February and will be away till September. News has reached us about their travels from Australia and also from John Coates. A card was received from Josephine when her ship called at Aden, both Dorothy and she received a very warm welcome from IPA members in Brisbane. There was a short article in the N.Z. Herald on 24.3.66 referring to the girls' plans. After a couple of months in England they will be visiting the Continent and returning to New Zealand through the United States.

Brian Wilkinson is going to England on 6th June to 30th August.

Robert Goff in the CIB at Hamilton wentoverseas last year and seems to have had an interesting time.

Though there may be several more who can be added to the list, we would like to mention Harry Figgest in Rotorua, John Fazackerley in Wellington and David Roberts in Auckland are IPA members who have recently arrived in New Zealand and joined the New Zealand Police.

It has given some of us a very great pleasure to meetvisitors from the Australian Section. Nora and Dougal Crawford have very recently accommodated the Australian Secretary General Ray Dodd and his wife and close behind them were Peter Page from Adelaide and Tony Jeffries and Peter Barrett both from Sydney. It is felt certain that there will be several other visitors from Australia in the very near future and we will be very glad to welcome them to Auckland.

The latest news received by John O'Ferrall in the form of several newspaper cuttings, shows that Dorothy Waymouth and Josephine Callanan are making the most of their visit to England. One of the newspaper reports is as follows:

"Policewomen from New Zealand and East Anglia visit"

Two New Zealand Policewomen, who are on a tour of Europe, were in Wisbech yesterday. They had stayed overnight with Det. Insp. J.E. Coates who is in charge of the Regional Crime Squad in the area. The two visitors, Miss Josephine Callanan and Miss Dorothy Waymouth are both aged 22 and are stationed in Auckland, Josephine in the uniform branch and Dorothy in the C.I.B.

The International Police Association has taken them under its wing since they reached this country. They have been to Scotland Yard, to Ipswich, Norwich and King's Lynn before calling on Det. Insp. Coates, who is the I.P.A. Secretary for Australia and New Zealand for this country.

The two girls have bought a secondhand car since their arrival in England and left Wisbech early yesterday morning on the way to Edinburgh."

BLAZER BADGES

Contact has recently been made with a firm in Pakistan with regard to the supplying of gold wire blazer badges. A sample one was forwarded and believe you me it is a very striking design. It is identical to the lapel badge surmounted on a silver star and this in turn is surrounded

by two leaves; at the base there is written "New Zealand". These are available at the moderate price of 30/- .

Members desirous of obtaining a badge should please forward the amount in either English currency or British postal orders as soon as possible. A similar badge sold like hot cakes in Australia. For it to be economical I would have to send for at least twenty at a time. N.B. In England the cost of a similar gold wire badge is 50/-.

PENFRIENDS WANTED

We received a letter from J. Western, the Secretary of region one, I.P.A. London, Ontario, Canada. There are two members known to him who wish to correspond with two members of the N.Z. Section, both members come from Ontario. Would members interested in corresponding with these and perhaps other members please drop me a line in the first instance. - Jim Stoddart, P.O.Box 8608, Auckland.

STOP PRESS

On the 12th April 1966 at a meeting held in PORIRUA Basil Johnston was appointed Chairman and Alexander Matheson Secretary of an Interim Regional Committee in Wellington. They have promised their full support in the formation of a national section.

NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting is to be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday 31st (tea shift). May 1966 at the Astor Hotel, Symonds Street, with a view to the formation of a National Section. You are earnestly requested to make a note NOW onyour duty roster or in your diary of this date. There have already been clear indications that members in Wellington and Rotorua are prepared to go to some considerable lengths to attend this meeting and those of us in Auckland should not find it so difficult to attend. The Agenda for this meeting will be sent to all members very soon.

Please inform one of the undersigned by the 17th May if you are going to attend the meeting and if you require accommodation.

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