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## WELCOME to REVELATIONS 9

► 2020 begins the third year of the Revelations newsletter. We have been receiving increasing **feedback** about the opportunities people are discovering to **share our Salvation Army history** within corps and centre communities. We would love to continue to receive feedback about how you use the **Revelations** newsletter as part of The Salvation Army mission.

One of the highlights of this issue was a recent acquisition of what we believe is a 'one-off' Salvation Army badge with a **gold shield** and to then discover the story of its owner. There is also the wonderful visual **menagerie of guernseys** from the early years.

Don't miss spotting the small group of **Self Denial hustlers** from Paeroa.

Look out for new Heritage Series journals to be released during the year. You can find our current online editions at: <https://archives.salvationarmy.org.nz/our-publications/heritage-series>.

The team here at 'Archives' wish you all a wonderful 2020 as we continue to serve Christ through The Salvation Army!

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## THE SALVATION ARMY GUERNSEY

New Zealand Salvationists in the 'Guernsey'

► The **Red Guernsey** was a notable clothing feature during the early years of The Salvation Army. It was an **unusual fashion choice** by The Salvation Army when Victorian England fancied black.



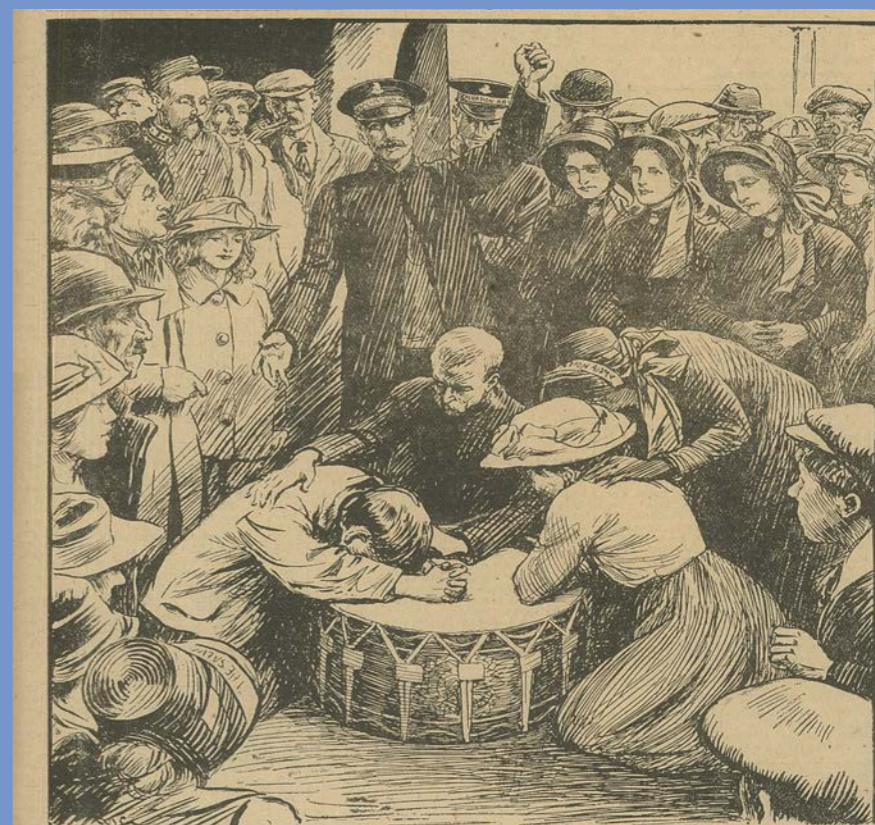
The War Cry 5 January 1884 pg4.

The Red Guernsey worked **boldly** against the plainness of the dark uniform. But while many guernseys featured the words 'Salvation Army', it was not uncommon for salvationists to produce home made guernseys with the **'Blood & Fire'** crest. **Theologically red was a logical choice.** The photographic record of the late 19th century evidences the variety of guernseys that existed. Even Ernest Holdaway wore a quernsey. But because his work as an officer was amongst the Māori his guernsey featured the words **'Te taua whakaora'**, used in 1888 before The Salvation Army adopted 'Te ope whakaora' in 1889. ◀



## 'FOOTSTOOL OF MERCY' DRUM

Footstool of mercy to hundreds



The once abused Salvation Army Drum has, in all parts of the World, become sacred as the Footstool of Mercy to hundreds of sinning Men and Women.

The War Cry 17 July 1920 pg1.

## PAEROA HUSTLERS OF 1920

Prizewinners in the Self Denial Appeal



A GROUP OF PAEROA YOUNG PEOPLE—PRIZEWINNERS IN THE RECENT S.D. APPEAL, WITH THEIR S.M., MRS. UNDERWOOD. The six hustlers were responsible for the handsome sum of £40 18s.

*The War Cry* 10 January 1920 pg6.

## ALL IN THE PLANNING

Auckland Congress Hall, Grey's Avenue, Auckland



Architectural drawing of the proposed Auckland Congress Hall by Staff-Captain Percival Dale.

► Construction of the [Auckland Congress Hall](#) in Grey's Avenue, Auckland was completed in 1928. The [stone laying ceremony](#) had occurred on Monday 27 February 1928, and several months later the opening, on Saturday 25 August 1928.

"On the Saturday evening, Salvationists and others again filled to over-flowing the Congress Hall primarily to give thanks to God for His goodness. In this gathering, [Staff-Captain Dale](#) [Australian Officer] received a [rousing welcome](#) as he rose to give a description of the various appointments of the building. In the performance of his [duties as architect](#), the Staff-Captain has paid four visits to New Zealand." ◀

(*The War Cry* 1 September 1928 pg9).

Among the many buildings to which Staff-Captain Percival Dale contributed were: The Sydney Training College; a cottage development at Box Hill in Melbourne; People's Palace, Sydney; Perth Fortress Corps and Perth People's Palace; Auckland Congress Hall, New Zealand; People's Palace, Melbourne; Young Women's Hostel, Adelaide.

STAFF CAPT PERCIVAL DALE  
ARCHITECT  
Registered by the Architectural Board of N.S.W. & Vic. (Aust)



Feature outlined for the back wall of the platform.



Auckland Congress Hall workmen - 1928.

## THE QUEREE QUERY

Sister-in-Law Ivy Knight and the gold Salvation Army badge



Wedding of Maggie Queree and Ben Knight — Nov. 1919  
Standing: Mrs Queree, Bob Elliott, Bride, Mr Queree, Will Knight  
Sitting: Mrs Knight, Ivy Knight, Groom, Jessie Queree, Lt-Colonel Bray

Even the drum Ben Knight played in the band was decorated with lilies and white flowers. The Queree and Knight families were associated with the corps at [Wellington South](#) from its early decades and when Margaret Knight died in 1991 she was listed as the No.1 soldier on the Wellington South soldiers' roll.

**In February 2020, Archives acquired Ivy's Salvation Army brooch featuring SA on a shield of 9 carat gold.** ◀



Ivy Knight (1900-1995) - photo c1922.  
Possibly wearing her SA brooch in both photos.



SA brooch with I Knight engraved on the reverse

## MY FRIEND BRIGADIER IVY KNIGHT

A tribute from 1995 by Sister Mrs M Cranstoun

► "My friend, Brigadier Ivy Knight (R), was to be called Ivy Florence but her father registered her as Harriet Elizabeth, which name Ivy only used on official forms. She worked in a shoe factory as a young person - her brother Will was a well-known Salvation Army Officer.

"Ivy was stationed with Mildred Bycroft at Carterton and they remained together for the rest of Mildred's life [1948]. Then Ivy spent the rest of her working life in People's Palaces. While at Auckland People's Palace, she was entertained to afternoon tea by Queen Salote of Tonga.

"Ivy and Mildred served The Salvation Army together at Nightcaps in 1941. Wartime and petrol was a very precious commodity so they used their pushbikes to visit Ohau nine kilometres and Otautau 22 kilometres to deliver War Crys and do visitation.

"Gravel roads in those days and Ivy came off her bike on a hill and was picked up by miners going to work for the afternoon shift at Ohau who brought her back to Nightcaps. Ivy and Mildred also held juniors at Tinkertown and Wario.

"When Ivy retired from Officership she went to live in Napier with Miss Dorothy Burgess, a child evangelism worker.

"Ivy was a Christmas Day baby and she loved and served the Christ of Christmas all her Life!" ◀ (*The War Cry* 4 November 1995)

► Ivy Knight appears in the [Queree-Knight wedding party photo](#), which was recently located as part of an enquiry relating to the bride, Margaret Louisa Dorothy Queree. She married Benjamin Knight, on November 26th 1919, on his return from active war service in France. [Ivy Knight](#) was a bridesmaid and sister of the groom and the wedding took place at the Wellington South Salvation Army hall. *The War Cry* reports the bride as carrying a [bouquet of white roses](#) while the bridesmaids carried pink roses.