



"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH."

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Report of Convention.

The seventeenth Annual Convention met in the pretty little city of Park River and has passed into history. On reaching the convention church we were struck by the beauty and symmetry of the decorations, surely a man's hand hung those bann'rs and mottoes. They were square with their surroundings nothing so crazily zig-zag as some we remember. While not large in numbers as some of our fall gatherings, the spirit of helpfulness and earnestness pervaded each session and will be felt in all the unions represented throughout the year. Reports showed progress along the lines of work pursued.

The treasurer's report showed that \$4,727.16 were received and used for work during the year. The total active membership in the state is 1,308 and honorary membership 339. During the year 771 regular meetings of the unions were held and 193 public meetings. The total number of abstention pledges taken during the year were 711.

In the evening addresses of welcome were made by Mayor Dougherty in behalf of the city, Rev. D. M. McIntosh in behalf of the churches, Sup't B. A. Dunbar in behalf of the schools and Mrs. Phair in behalf of the local union, with response by Mrs. Kate F. Whitcomb of Hankinson.

The addresses of welcome had a ring of sincerity which alas, is sometimes lacking. The annual address of our President was listened to with perfect attention and was well received by the large audience.

On Saturday afternoon Prof. E. F. Ladd of Fargo read a paper on "Foods, drugs and beverages as found in North Dakota." He presented some very interesting facts regarding the adulteration of foods and beverages and discussed the need of a strong national law governing the sale of adulterated stuffs.

The diamond medal contest was held in the evening. The contestants were Miss Dickinson of Tower City, Miss Christine McLaury and Mrs. Neela Buck of Starkweather and Thomas Chambers of Church Ferry. Miss McLaury secured the medal. The subject of her oration was "A Threatening Cloud on our Horizon."

A feature of the Sunday morning service at the M. E. church was the annual sermon by Mrs. Helen D. Harford, national organizer. In the afternoon the dedication and presentation of the public drinking fountain erected in the city park by the local union took place. Mrs. Phair, president of the local union, made the presentation address to which Mayor Dougherty responded, accepting the gift on behalf of the city. Short addresses were made by Mrs. Anderson, Rev. Anna Shaw and Mrs. Harford. Music was rendered by a chorus of 40 voices.

Rev. Anna H. Shaw of Philadelphia, Pa., delivered an impressive address in the evening. She spoke upon the ideals of government. Referring to the city of Berlin she said it was cleaner and more orderly than the average American city because of the strong ruling hand of the government, but she considered self rule better than monarchy, as progress under the former is more natural and one's ideas are sooner realized; that self rule should be applied to man's appetite as well.

Speaking of heredity and environment from data collected by the W. C. T. U., she said that the biblical descent of heredity was proven, yet environment was potent influence in shaping the character.

She made a strong appeal for women's suffrage and pointed out the power they would exert for good if armed with the ballot.

Mrs. Shaw is a deep thinker and an eloquent speaker. The discourse was masterly and logical and was received with evident appreciation by the audience.

Several interesting papers were read during the convention and among those on Monday were "Heredity and Hygiene" by Mrs. A. J. Money, "The political outlook" by Mrs. L. M.

Brown, "Why do the women of North Dakota desire the ballot" by Mrs. L. B. Smith, but space does not permit more extended mention.

Music was a special feature of the convention.

Many very acceptable vocal and instrumental selections were rendered. A choir of 40 voices sang some very appropriate pieces at a number of the sessions. The local talent was also ably assisted Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. Brynjolf Pfrom and Miss Aslakson of Milton.

The concluding work of the convention took place Tuesday forenoon, when officers for the ensuing term were elected and delegates to the national and world's conventions chosen. Mrs. Anderson was re-elected president without a dissenting vote and will now serve her fourteenth successive term.

Recommendations of the State President.

I make the following recommendations:

1. That we make a specialty this year in the state, county and local unions of L. T. L. and Y. work.

2. That we endeavor to secure from the next legislature a law to prohibit solicitors from placing private orders for liquors, an anti-cigarette law, a law providing for a state temperance commissioner, and the submission of equal suffrage to the voters.

3. That county and district officers plan for a local institute with every local union.

4. In pursuance of the mission station plan, that every union work up a place near by, through the circulation of literature, contests and public meetings with a view to the organization of a local union.

5. That we urge greater activity along department lines, and especially the social side of our work, through which we attract new members.

6. That every new union receive special care and attention from the county and district officers. No better investment of time and money can be made.

7. That we urge every union to hold a series of medal contests, and to employ during the year at least four public speakers, who are sent out by our lecture bureau.

8. That unions make an effort to follow the constitution and pay dues at the beginning instead of the end of the year.

9. That we continue to work for a better celebration of the Fourth of July.

10. That we give more attention to reporting our work through the press of the state.

11. That unions follow the example of our hostess union, Park River, in the benevolent plan of erecting public waterfountains.

12. That we give more diligent attention to co-operating with teachers and school boards to the end that temperance is taught and the endorsed text books used in the public schools.

13. That we give more attention to the distributions of literature, especially among foreign speaking people.

14. That we assist in placing a statue of Sakakawea, the young Indian woman who led the Lewis and Clark expedition, on the Capitol grounds at Bismarck.

15. As there can be no success in our work without spiritual power, I recommend that we emphasize more the evangelistic department, that it be given a prominent place in all our institutes and conventions, that special days of prayer be more frequently observed and that as unions and individuals we keep constantly in the spirit of prayer, for ourselves, for each other and our great work.

Resume of the Year—for the Fargo W. C. T. U.

As we look back over the year, we feel that we have great cause for rejoicing. There are many things which ought to have been done, that we have found ourselves unable to do, but in summing up the year's work we can say the Lord has blessed our efforts. The

Fargo union attempted some things this year which have really tested the working capacity of the organization more than the average union is called upon to do.

We found after the new drug law went into effect, that if the temperance reputation of Fargo was to be sustained, some one would need to work. Seven applications for druggists permits were made and the union did work on every one—visited officials, circulated petitions, distributed 1200 circular letters, attended hearings in county court, and as a result only one permit was granted. This required much work on the part of many women, but it was done cheerfully.

Closely following this, we felt that the time was ripe for establishment of a work of some sort among the working young women of the city, and to-day we have a young Woman's Club with fairly commodious headquarters. The club is for the social and intellectual development of its members. The rooms are open all day and evening with matron in charge. Women are always welcome and strangers assisted. A Woman's Exchange has also been established which provides employment at home for a number of women. All this under the direct management of the W. C. T. U. with an advisory board representing twenty-two other women's organizations in the city.

We have been visited by four national lecturers and eight state officers. On World's Temperance Sunday about 100 new signatures were added to our pledge chain—2 addresses given by local workers and 8 sermons by pastors.

Our superintendent of Literature has distributed 22,000 pages. About 200 bouquets of flowers have been given to the sick. The Fargo daily newspapers have printed 324 columns of W. C. T. U. matters the past year. Besides the regular pledges made the union gave \$112 toward the new foundation for the Home. The total amount of money raised by the union is \$1019.00.

We have 19 departments of work and 5 standing committees, nearly all of which have reported some work done.

Press Superintendent.

Political Outlook.

A reference to the open expression of the people, some of the press and pulpiteers past year is sufficient to show that the administration of our state affairs is not satisfactory to a large and increasing member.

The arrogant domination of bossism has grown too galling for silent endurance and that great and powerful personality—the people—has begun to give definite expression to its discontent in no uncertain tones.

Clearly there is a strong and growing disgust for the political machine which insists upon dictating the choice of offices and all the gifts of honor of the people—and which scorns the people while it dispenses these emoluments of the state.

Certain it is, that not even a good business administration, which is claimed for the present one by its partisans, can offset the disgrace of a prohibition state whose governor serves wines in the executive mansion, who is not infrequently seen in a state of intoxication, on public and even state occasions, and whose moral standard is not such as parents could desire to have set before the youth of our commonwealth, and who holds in contempt our prohibition law.

These things are so well known that there is no attempt to deny them that I know of. As if these were not enough, the people are further insulted by the nomination of a man for justice of the supreme bench whose reputation

declares that he does not regard the law which he would assume to administer. What condition could be more humiliating to a state which prides itself upon a high moral standard and a superior code of laws.

The political outlook certainly indicates, (if the people grasp their opportunity), a battle royal between the forces that stand for the moral integrity and highest welfare of our state and those who desire its political and financial advantages only. The time has come for action. Resolutions, whether by churches, societies or individuals, are useless unless they are clothed in action. Let the dominant party know that it must reckon with the temperance vote of the state. It is a fact that they have it in their power to compel decent and fair treatment of their opinions from those who seek their votes, and temperance people have it in their power to compel this wholesome respect for our prohibitory law, but I am convinced that some of them must become more discerning in keeping the temperance issue more clearly before them than is sometimes done. While temperance people are in strong sympathy with the insurgents in their opposition to the old political ring, yet they can not feel assured of the position of the insurgents and the question of prohibition, since they make no declaration concerning it. The insurgents claim that anti-gang is the one vital issue, and they are absolutely silent upon the question of temperance. If they would secure the confidence and aid of all temperance people, they should do as much to prove their good faith in behalf of the prohibition law, as the Republican party has already done.

While the insurgent faction numbers many, men who are staunch friends of prohibition, yet it is a fact that there are those among them who are its enemies so far as their political and personal records show. Surely no issue can be so vital to our welfare as to justify the betrayal of this dearly gotten and carefully guarded law into the hands of its enemies.

Can we afford to take the risk? Bear in mind that I am not speaking against the insurgent faction as a body. The defeat it suffered in the primary election proves that it has not yet won the confidence of the whole better element of the state. Could it but give strong assurance that it would stand for prohibition, it would undoubtedly win many to its support, who now look upon it with suspicion. Of course we shall hear the angry howl that temperance people are so narrow, pin-headed, etc., that they can see no other issue but prohibition.

When thus assailed we need only to refer to our declaration of principles to show that we are not a narrow organization. The principles there proclaimed are as broad and laid upon as solid a foundation of statesmanship as our nation's constitution.

The question is, shall our people submit longer to a ring of politicians so drunken with power that they openly insult the people? I believe the best service can be rendered the state by a vote for John Burke for governor and Judge Fish for supreme judge and thereby a needed lesson and rebuke administered to the Republican party as it is to-day in North Dakota.

We may help by our influence only, but let us exert it upon the voters, urging them to be true to the people rather than to any party.

L. M. BROWN,
Cooperstown, N. D.

Report of Lecture Bureau.

We have had five speakers in the field during the past year, Miss Louise Hollister, Mrs. Ada Wallace Unruh, Mrs. Mary Hopper, Miss Annie Robbins and Mrs. Helen Harford. Besides these, Mr. Herbert Shattuck has given five addresses in our state and attended one Sunday School Convention.

Miss Hollister began her work on Nov. 12th, and remained five weeks, working in Pembina, Walsh, Grand Forks and Cavalier Cos. also 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Districts. Two new unions were organized.

No. of days in the state	33
Addresses delivered	33
No. of Institutes held	5
No. of Medal contests	2
New unions organized	2
No. regular members	34
Honorary	9
New members gained	43
Total abstinence pledges	70
Salary for five weeks	\$125.00
Expense while in state	28.32

Total	\$153.32
Collections	105.74

Deficit	\$ 47.58
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Mrs. Mary Hopper of Chicago began work in the state in Cass Co., May 1st, and was engaged in convention work in Barnes, Griggs, Steele, Pembina Cos., and also at Chautauqua.

Lectures delivered	36
Sermons	5
Institutes and conventions	9
Young people and S. Schools	2

Total addresses	52
Unions organized 3. Members gained 118 of whom 80 were active and 38 honorary.	
Union Signal subscriptions	20
Crusader Monthly subscriptions	12
Salary for 2 months and 13 days	\$158.45
Expense in state	35.14

Total receipts from collections	\$193.59
	\$230.00

Balance on hand	\$46.41
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Mrs. Unruh was engaged for ten weeks and five days working the southern part of state and also in 3rd and 4th Dist. Places visited 47, addresses delivered 66. Woman's meetings 14, schools visited 45. Unions organized 13, new members gained 110, of whom 70 were regular and 40 honorary.

Union Signal subscribers	19
American Mother	15
Salary for the 75 days	\$375.00
Expenses	67.74

Received from Collections	\$422.74
	390.52

Deficit	\$52.22
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Miss Annie Robbins began work in Grand Forks Co., May 1st, and was engaged in work throughout the northern part of the state. Unfortunately I have not a full account of Miss Robbins' work and can give only a meager report. She was at work until the last day of June.

Public addresses given	32
Addresses to High School	1
" University	1
" S. School	1
" Conventions	2

Number of persons reached	2240
Members gained, Regular, 3; Honorary 1, total 4.	
Salary for one month	\$100.00
Expenses	18.45

Total	\$118.45
Collections for one month	81.82

Deficit	\$36.63
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Mrs. Helen D. Harford began work Sept. 1st in Stark Co. working 7th Dist. until called to State Convention. Mrs. Harford has done house to house canvassing since entering the state, organizing where possible and delivered public lectures in only a few of the places visited. The following report is for 19 days:

Points visited	11
Lectures	11
Sermons	2
Sunday Schools	2
Childrens meetings	2
Young People Societies addressed	2
Public schools	12
Unions organized	1
Y's	1
L. T. L.	2
W. members regular	23
W. " honorary	17
Y. " regular	5
Y. " honorary	4
L. T. L. members	33

Expenses in state for 19 days	\$33.45

Salary for 19 days	40.85
Total	\$76.30
Collections	37.00
Deficit	\$39.30
My statistical report is as follows:	
Number of appointments made	181
" letters sent out about	550
" postal cards	385
" rolls advertising matter	50
Total amount of expenditures including postage, dodgers, telephones, telegram and stationary, \$30.50.	

MRS. FLORENCE B. CONNOR, Supt.

Our National Organs and Temperance Literature.

All W. C. T. U. members recognize that three of the greatest needs of our work are more members, more money and a more thorough comprehension of our work and information as to what is to be done and how to do it. These three needs, members, money, knowledge, can be supplied by a wider circulation of our papers. Our members need greatly the special information given each week in The Union Signal. Very seldom do we see so much valuable reading matter crowded into 16 pages. The many excellent contributed articles, the letters of unusual interest by Mrs. Stevens and other national workers, the editorials, the children's corner, and superlatives, reports from the "Foreign Field" and "News from the Field" of our own land besides many other articles of great interest are all to be found in the pages of our National organ. The Course of Study commenced this year will be continued and meets a long felt and often expressed need. Every member should have this Course of Study. The truth is that many single copies of The Union Signal are worth the yearly subscription price of one dollar. The special price of ten cents for the four convention copies of The Union Signal offers an opportunity for giving a wide circulation to the knowledge of W. C. T. U. accomplishments this year, not only in our own country, but in the world at large. Every minister, every editor, every leader of thought in the community ought to have this information. In our State of North Dakota our special effort this year in the department of Union Signal work, has been to secure a subscription list equal to one-fourth of our membership. At the last State convention held in Grand Forks, we voted that our State should become responsible for a number of subscriptions equal to one-fourth of its membership. We have been depending upon the loyalty of every local union to help us out as the money will have to be paid out of the treasury in the case of failure to do so. Last year at the National convention held at Los Angeles, the beautiful silk flag banner was presented to North Dakota by our National President, Mrs. Stevens, as we had the largest number of subscriptions in proportion to our membership. Of course we are anxious to win the banner again this year, but unless our efforts are renewed at this convention I fear that Maine will take it from us. Mrs. Rollins, the Supt. of Union Signal and Temperance Literature for Maine, seems to be a tireless canvasser for Union Signal subscriptions and says she would like to challenge any other State to "Spell Maine down" before the Hartford convention. No doubt our readers have noticed that on page 16 of the Union Signal the club list is most often led by Mrs. Rollins of Maine. Right here let me say that if our members would pay more attention to the renewal of subscriptions at the proper time our list would be equal to more than one quarter of our memberships even now. In looking over the latest mailing list received from Evanson, Sept. 16th, I am very much disappointed to discover that we still need 35 subscriptions to reach the quarter mark. 363 Union Signals are taken in the State, but 20 of these subscriptions expire before the first of November and for this reason are not counted. We still have a few days left before National convention in which to redeem our pledge and I trust that many new subscriptions will be taken at this convention and the work pushed with greater vigor than ever, when the delegates return to their homes. We have 1491 paid up members in North Dakota and the number of subscriptions which do not expire before the first of November is 337. Many unions have done excellent work, but Cando excels them all. The latest list from headquarters shows that Cando has 34 subscribers and only two

of these expire before Nov. 1st, while their paid up membership in last year's minutes was 21. I will give later the names of unions entitled to a place on the honor list. The unions are 25 in number. Today we want as many unions as will to pledge a place on the 1907 Honor list in The Union Signal and as many as will, pledge place before February 1st, 1907. The names of Cooperstown, Ellendale, Lisbon, Thompson, Leal, Amenia, Wyndmere, Harlem and Stirum have appeared on the Honor list of The Union Signal several times while many more of the unions though deserving the honor have failed to send in their names. The names of the unions that comprise the honor list for North Dakota are arranged in their respective counties and districts and are as follows: Sargent-Dickey County, Cogswell, Ellendale, Harlem, Stirum, Oakes; Richland County, Dwight, Fairmount, Weyburn, Hankinson; Barnes-Griggs County, Cooperstown, Leal, Valley City; Grand Forks County, Larimore, Niagara, Tower City; Steele County, Hope, Sherman, Y; First District, Cando, Cray; Trail County, Mayville; Kansan-Lamoure County, Lisbon; Sixth District, Underwood; Ninth District, Dawson.

Before submitting my report I wish

to say just a few words for the official organ of the Loyal Temperance Legion, The Crusader Monthly. It is the best and only up-to-date temperance paper for young people and deserves a place in every home and the subscription price of only 25 cents per year places it within the reach of all. It is not only a necessity to every member of the Loyal Temperance Legion, but contains so much of interest to young readers that it should go into every home in which there are children or young people. Anna Gordon says that The Crusader Monthly is the best edited, the handsomest in mechanical make-up and contains the most reading matter of any temperance journal for young people in the country. The rapid growth of its subscription list proves the correctness of our belief that the paper is an invaluable aid to Loyal Temperance Legion officers and members as well as to young people outside our delightful home circle of temperance workers. Never were news-stands and daily papers so crowded with sensational stuff that should never sully the pure minds of our young people and I wish that all the boys and girls in our country might have the blessed education of such a temperance paper as The Crusader Monthly, coming to them twelve times a year. Let us give it the widest possible circulation. North Dakota has 245 subscribers to The Crusader Monthly. Last year we had 317, doubtless the decrease is caused by failure in renewing subscriptions. May this decrease be made up again and the Crusader Monthly have a wider circulation in our State than ever before.

TEMPERANCE LITERATURE.

Very few reports have been sent in this year, but those received are good. I have had to depend entirely upon the blanket report this year as no reports were received from either county or district superintendents. The methods for distribution have been at public meetings and W. C. T. U. meetings, in the Sunday Schools, boxes in public places, sending out in farmers wagons, through the mails and distributing to working men. In the larger towns literature has been sent to hospitals and poor farms. A new idea from Richland county is that of putting literature in trees. One union reports a box of papers sent to San Francisco. Besides our own W. C. T. U. literature the following papers and magazines have been extensively circulated: The New Voice, American Motherhood, Backbone, Home Defender, School Physiology Journal, Rains Horn, Forward, Interior, American Issue, The Lifeboat, Sunday School Visitor, Sabbath Reading, Youth's Companion, Christian Endeavor and Epworth Herald. One union reports that their literature boxes kept in public places are filled with fresh reading matter each week. This is as it should be. A large quantity of our literature was distributed this summer at Chautauqua and at county fairs.

Pages of literature distributed by local unions

117,330

Pages of literature distributed by State Supts.

54,566

Total number of pages distributed

171,956

Number of Union Signals taken

363

" Crusader Monthlys taken

245

Number of White Ribbon Bul-

lets taken, about	1,900
Money spent for literature	\$55.00
Appropriation	5.00
Donated	40
Expended for literature and printing	\$2.50
Expended for postage	2.70
Expended for money orders	.20

Total

Letters sent out

Postals

Packages of literature

Respectfully submitted,

MAE HALCROW, Supt.

Report of Medal Contest Supt.

from 1905-1906.

Am't received from Medals sold

\$170.50

" books, souve-

nirs, etc.

Gifts to department

8.27

Total receipts

\$238.65

Total expenditures

216.01

Balance in treasury

822.64

Am't of stock on hand

\$115.99

Have sent out during the year about

402 letters, of these 145 were printed,

257 were written. Have written 75

postals cards.

79 medal contests have been reported to

me. They are as follows:

Barnes and Griggs county

4

Cass county (Abasara 6)

11

Grand Forks and Nelson (Thompson 6)

11

Pembina county

11

Ransom county

13

Richland county

2

Steele county

5

Trail county

5

Walsh Co. (Parl River 3, Minto Cradle Roll)

4

1st District (3 musical)

23

2nd District

3

Total

79

Total am't received from contests

81206.63

LULU LENHAM MACK.

Flower Mission Report for the year ending 1906.

Number of growing plants

6

Number of bouquets distributed

2,900

" text cards distributed

1,020

" of hours spent with shut-ins

500

Number of visits to sick and aged

tributed

500

Amount of money spent in this work

4,000

Number of pledges signed thro

this department

11

Number of conversions in this work

3

Number of people helped

113

" families taken care of

34

" graves decorated

43

Amount of Jellies given, glasses

131

" preserved fruits, qts.

173

Other dainties, 8 bbls. apples and 2 dozen oranges

33

Other dainties given

33

One union gave 3 quarts grape juice, 4 cups of tea and 6 lunches

38

No. who observed F. M. Day

7

California Relief Aid, 150 lb. box of clothing and reading matter

1

I have written fifty letters, sent out a

written appeal to all County and District Supts. of this department in the state, for aid to the sufferers in California.

Written a number of letters for the White Ribbon Bulletin, also an essay for the Union Signal.

The unions reporting work, have done as a whole

splendid work, some doing better than others, as the opportunity affords.

Park River takes the lead in the number of floral offerings.

Lisbon with their energetic Supt. Mrs. Ball has done splendid work in distributing magazines, books,

and papers to the prisoners.

Forman reports the greatest number of hours spent with the shut-ins.

Hankinson did splendid work in giving bouquets and many other ways.

Fargo Scandinavian reports the largest amount of money spent in this work.

Mayville is the only union reporting aid to California.

There are many more unions doing

Pansies tied with White Ribbon and
text card. Respectively submitted.
HAZEL KNEESEW,
State Supt. for 1906.

Report of Bureau of Information and Statistics for year ending Sept. 20, 1906.

Drug permits in east and west side of state, 1st Judicial District comprised of Grand Forks and Nelson counties, under Judge Fisk of Grand Forks. The general expression is that the prohibition law is very well enforced and a very decided improvement is noticed over 10 years ago. Five drug permits are held in Grand Forks county, three of which are in Grand Forks and 2 in Larimore. There is some complaint of drug stores dispensing too much liquors. The number of prosecutions for the violations of the prohibition law in Grand Forks county was 11 resulting in 12 convictions. This district reported strongly in favor of prohibition if submitted to a vote. 2nd Judicial District (Benson, Pierce, Ramsey, Roulette and Towner counties) Judge Cowan, Devils Lake. There were but four reports received from this district and those not from representative towns. The frontier towns not very strictly in favor of prohibition. Complaint is made of much liquor being handled by the depot agent.

3rd Judicial District (Cass, Steele and Traill) Judge Pollock, Fargo, N. D. The law is well enforced with much improvement over 10 years ago with comparatively few places where liquor is sold. Out of 15 drug stores reported only two had permits. There are but 6 permits in the 3 counties and three of those are held in Casselton. The vote is strongly in favor of prohibition. In Itasca county there were 8 prosecutions with 6 convictions and one case still pending. St. Louis county reported 8 prosecutions, 3 convictions and 2 cases continued.

4th Judicial District (Dickey, McInnis, Ransom, Richland and Sargent), Judge Allen, Lisbon. Only 3 reports received from this district, two send very favorable reports and all show improvement over 10 years ago.

5th Judicial District (Barnes, Eddy, Foster, Griggs, LaMoure, Logan, Stutsman and Wells), Judge Burke, Valley City. Received but 2 reports from this district. Both very favorable to prohibition.

6th Judicial District (9 extreme west counties) Judge Winchester, Bismarck. 1 report received. The people not in favor of prohibition. Practically 9 saloons in the one town, all the drug stores have permits. A pastor in Stark county says: "I saw the only prosecution for violation of the prohibition law during the year, and sufficient evidence was given to convict, but as several of the jurors were hard drinkers the verdict was for acquittal."

7th Judicial District (Cavalier, Pennington and Walsh), Judge Kneeshaw of Pembina. Reports show the law to be fairly well enforced with a very decided improvement over 10 years ago. The principal places dispensing liquors seem to be drug stores and billiard rooms. 12 drug permits are now in force in Walsh county, 2 in Pembina county and 11 applicants for permits in Cavalier county. 15 prosecutions in Walsh county nearly all resulted in convictions, 12 prosecutions in Pembina county with 6 convictions. Cavalier county stated that about one third of the cases started in Justice Court resulted in convictions in the District Court. Prohibition would probably carry if submitted to a vote.

8th Judicial District (Bottineau, McHenry, Ward and Williams counties), Judge Goss, Minot. Reports show the law not very well enforced, but a decided improvement over 10 years ago. The principal places dispensing liquors are drug stores and R. R. stations. Every drug store reported from that district has a permit. A vote on prohibition might be uncertain.

The total number of reports from over the state, 33, of which 20 report public sentiment in favor of prohibition, 7 are uncertain and 6 against.

Two of the difficulties oftenest mentioned in the state seem to be private shipments, where individuals ship together and send out of the state for liquor and with depot agents acting as agents for outside liquor houses.

From the several county attorneys reporting it would seem the prohibition law was very satisfactory, and some think it a decided success. Most of them did not think the law particularly defective, but in some parts of the state

thought it in advance of public sentiment. One suggested that soliciting orders for outside liquor dealers should be made a crime under our law, as it is thru these private shipments that most of the disturbance is made. Perhaps the drug permit system as it stands today is among the greater problems of our investigation state. Altho it properly investigated and made to comply strictly with the law can be held in permit under those circumstances. In many of the smaller towns in the western part of the state there are two and three drug stores all with permits and doing fine business, while the city of Fargo with 15,000 inhabitants, has one drug store with a permit. Please come from the western part of the state to send workers to help create public sentiment. The large immigration in that part of the state has come from license states and many people argue in favor of license as against the wide open drug store and blind pig. The public conscience needs to be aroused, and earnest appeals come from many of those places for public workers.

Report of Y Secretary.

The Young Woman's branch is certainly a vital part of our work. I can see in it great and beautiful possibilities under the guidance of one who can give to it much of her time and talent of which it is eminently worthy. My report must be brief since my work has not been as exhaustive as I would have been glad to make it. I have been unable to visit any of the Y's of the state, and my work has been done wholly by correspondence. I have sent two circular letters to each Y during the year. Literature, year book and Y almanacs have been purchased, and several packages of literature have been sent to new and prospective Y's and Supts. In addition I have written 63 letters 9 post cards and written a letter for the Y Bulletin each month with the exception of August.

Received from Miss Best 8 1 25
From Mrs. Schlosser on salary 85 00 and expenses \$5 00 10 00

Total \$11 25
Paid for literature, year books, almanacs and express 10 45

Balance on hand \$0

Year books have been sent to each of the 17 Y's. There are now 17 Y's in the state, of these 7 have reported to me. From these 7 reports I learn there are 156 active members, 53 Honorary members, a gain reported of 33 actives and 4 honoraries. Think what a splendid company we might number if the other 10 had reported. The dept. work done by these 6 or 7 Y's comprises—L. T. L. S. Medall contest, Flower mission Press, Mercy and Help and Social meetings. Three prospective Y's are reported. The Cooperstown Y has just begun its work and has not paid dues so that it cannot be counted in this year's report. It has just held two contests however and has started into a life of which much is expected. There are 98 Bulletins and 10 Union Signals taken in these six Y's.

I think the greatest need of the Y work in our state is a Y field worker or a Y secretary who can give it her undivided attention.

Respectfully submitted. MRS. L. M. BROWN.
I have leaflets which I will be glad to furnish on request.

Report of Social Department. RED LETTER DAYS.

There have been 127 social meetings held and 55 red letter days observed. 23 unions observed. Frances Willard memorial day; 25 contributed \$2.00 to the memorial fund. 91 new members have been gained at these meetings and 33 honoraries. \$304.20 have been collected and 27,825 pages of literature distributed by the unions. 18 local Supts. are reported. This is what has been done by those who reported and I feel sure some of the work has gone unreported. Interest is awakened in the community wherever the department is worked and I hope another year we may have more Supts. both county and local.

I have sent out 4,500 pages of literature, aiming to reach every union in the state, spent \$2.00 for literature \$2.70 for stamps, 30 cents for envelopes.

Have written one letter to each County Supt. and several to National Supt.

Yours for more earnest work.

KATE A. RAUSIER.

Mothers Meetings.—Purity.

Promotion of Purity in Literature and Art.

Thirty-four unions have reported with 29 local superintendents. Have not heard from the eight district Supts. which makes this report incomplete in many ways. Several letters came with reports. Postage must be paid on the slips anyway: write a little on the back, it helps.

Seventy-five Mothers meeting were held this year with an aggregate attendance of 817. Fairview and Harlem had parlor meetings for this department to which the husbands also came to hear readings and help talk; the latter having several very good evening meetings. Five petitions are reported, one each against gambling, impure literature, de-natured alcohol, blind pigs and Moronism.

Six purity sermons reported from Ransom and LaMoure counties; 18 towns now have the curfew as follows: Lisbon, Town City, Park River, Pembina, Drayton, Grand Forks, Fargo, Webster, Minto, Ardoch, Maza, Cooperstown, Farmer, Oakes, Ellendale, Valley City, Cando and Hope, the two last gained this year.

Only four Cradle Rolls are reported this year with 40 enrolled; there were nine last year with an enrollment of 181. Only six unions have loan libraries, and purity books are so needed. 4,650 pages of literature have been given us by the National Supt. of Promotion of Purity in Literature and Art; the rest has been various Purity leaflets and magazines that have come to my hand for this work, making a total of 9,982 pages including about 300 pages distributed on trains. This does not include American Motherhood, or Light subscriptions, or sample copies sent the Supts. and others by these publishers; thus records do not always show the good done.

Eighty Cradle Roll, White Shield and White Cross pledge cards were sent as samples. I have not a leaflet on hand now and there are calls for more. 61 subscribers to American Motherhood are reported. More must have been secured and of the Light also, of which my county has 15 this year. If there were 60 of each in each county, to equal the fashion magazine! Last year the districts reported \$2.00 appropriations for their Supts., and no doubt there has been more used this year. I have received \$2.00 from my county and \$5.00 from the State Union, and paid for leaflets, pledges, postage etc. \$10.65.

To show the awakening among our women, I will name some of the needs of this department as sent in the reports. "More education, agitation, discipline, training of children to purity of speech, truthfulness to children, help uninterested mothers to train their children properly, good programs, leaders, attendance of the right women; pure literature, fathers, exemplified, more consecrated mothers, exemplary parents, co-operation and an awakening to the fact that all homes need to be guarded." And let me add, "more subscribers to American Motherhood," for the circulation of this will remedy many evils.

There should be a police matron in every city, the curfew everywhere and many things better.

Yet there is much encouragement. There has been more meetings held with larger attendance, more requests for literature and I am specially glad to say more subscribers to American Motherhood than last year.

That our state law is against all iniquity, including the impure in print or picture, that our state papers are seeing the shame of printing liquor advertisements, that we are all in a great degree free to do as we ought, are a few more of the things that should encourage us in further efforts for God and Home and Native Land."

BLANCHE L. MARCELLUS.

Report of Department of Franchise.

Of the ten report slips received only five reported any work done, and Leah leads with six meetings, 400 pages of literature distributed and a paper read at county convention.

I have expended this year \$1.50 for literature and 50 cents for postage which leaves me a balance of \$3.00 which I expect to expend for printing enrollment blanks and postage, which I hope to send out to catch the enthusiasm created by the convention, hoping some may be returned in time to report to national.

L. L. MUIR.

Report of Heredity and Hygiene.

Dear Co-workers:—Only 16 unions returned the blank reports and nearly all reported no work done. A few failed to give the name of the union reporting. Only two unions reported having a superintendent, viz: Forman and Lakota.

Absaraka held one meeting and have "Health" books in the library. The Union at Valley City, also the union at Forman, have "Health" books in their respective libraries and are represented on the civic league and co-operate with the board of health for the enforcement of health ordinances.

Cooperstown has no sup., but gives the subject a place on their program each year. This past year they engaged Prof. Hollis of Valley City to address a public meeting on the subject of Heredity. Another meeting was to be held but was not reported to me.

A meager report indeed for a department so vitally important to ourselves and to future generations. Professor Ladd told us in his valuable paper about the deterioration of families because of harmful foods and drinks indulged in. Let us be on our guard and give to our posterity strong healthy bodies free from the taint of disease.

I have a vision of the work for the coming year. Shall I tell you what it is? Every union will hold one or more meetings for the discussion of these most important departments. If the entire program can not be given to one of these subjects, combine it with some other. Health and Non-Alcoholic Medication can be combined and given at a mothers meeting, or Non-Alcoholic Medication or Heredity or Purity and Health, then after a meeting has been held, report. Let me repeat that little word report, that I may be enabled to pass along the good things.

We shall put ourselves into communication with Prof. Ladd and get the latest bulletins relative to food and food adulterations and after we have prepared a good program we will invite the general public, especially the parents, then they will know that the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is doing something.

Our National Superintendent, Mrs. Purinton, who is a physician, issues special literature on these subjects, Health and Heredity, and every union will be supplied with the manual, "How to do the work." Every union will answer my communications, then we will surprise the next state convention with a wonderful report.

"Sow an act and you reap a habit;
Sow a habit and you reap a character;
Sow a character and you reap a destiny."

ISABELLA A. MOREY, Ojata.

Report of Supt. of Legislation and Petition.

I am sorry not to be able to report everything done in way of enforcement in North Dakota. Every union has had opportunity to report but few have responded. Where work has been done in way of prosecution, temperance sentiment has been created.

The amendment to the druggist permit has proved harmful and noxious wherever granted.

When the citizens have protested as in Fargo, where temperance men protested, only one of the seven druggists who applied was granted a permit.

Many cases of illegal selling or "blind pigging" have been prosecuted and convicted. Valley City reports thirteen prosecutions with twelve convictions; Forman, four convicted and imprisoned; Cando and Absaraka contributed financial aid to the enforcement league.

One reported one blind pig convicted but failed to give the name of the union or place.

If every woman could realize the value of the little we might or could do.

The greatest evils in life have their rise from something which was of too little importance to be attended to.

Respectfully submitted,

MATTIE MEACHAM.

Report of Scientific Temperance Instruction.

There are 8 county superintendents, 13 local superintendents; 13 schools using indorsed text books; 17 copies of school physiology taken; 5 Institutes presented the subject of S. T. I.; 100 copies of Co-workers letter were sent out; 1,150 pages of literature. Expended \$5.50, had \$5.00 from state. Bal. due me \$1.00.

Mrs. J. E. McCARTNEY.

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It is better to form than reform.

"This is an age of prevention rather than cure."

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Our State President said that she never knew a Union to die that read the Union Signal, paid its dues and received the White Ribbon Bulletin.

We quote from a private letter—"please send me copies of October Bulletin. Mrs. Anderson's address must be well distributed; what a splendid address she gives, so typical of the brave, true, dauntless little woman she is. We gathered at the home of one of our number to listen to report of convention. How we wished we could have been there ourselves."

The course of instruction includes the reid-

"We do not get our paper" was the complaint heard at the convention. Keep on complaining but do it on a postal card giving your address and the editor will gladly send out papers to each and all who miss their regular number.

Those of us who were so fortunate as to be able to attend the convention at Park River, had brought to our attention the need of reporting. Let each do some work and write an encouraging word about it and so help along the cause.

The reports read at the convention were good but not complete. How could they be when so small a portion of the Union sends any report of the work they do? Encourage the superintendent by letting her know that you do something.

"Into the hands of the men of this nation has been placed the power, but into the hands of the woman the influence. The greatest influence is power and the difference between the influence of men and women is well stated in these terms: Man's influence is influence plus power and woman's influence is influence minus power."—Rev. Anna Shaw.

In this land of the free and home of the brave before seven o'clock each morning 500,000 children between the ages of six and fourteen go forth to work a long day in dim unsanitary factories and dimmer mines. And every night 50,000 children work till dawn in factories and shops. Surely there is need that some one, agitate, educate and legislate.

Treasurer's Report.

DEAR SISTERS:—

As you will see by my report for end of year's work we are very much in need of money. I feel sure you will all do your best as early as possible to make up this deficit.

Yours for a good year,

LIZZIE SCHLOSSER.

Have received the following since convention. Amenia leads Absaraka this year with paying pledges, but both have done well.

Norwich State dues \$ 4.20

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Amenia State pledge \$ 5.00

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" State minutes 90

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" L. T. L., Chan. \$1, Leg. 4.00

" Legislative \$2, State minutes .90 2.90

Bisbee, Home building 5.00

Minot, Home \$5, State dues \$1.20 6.20

Money in separate funds in State treasury

Oct. 1, 1906.

Chautauqua \$ 5.31

Home Building 369.55

Home General 31.18

Legislative 147.78

Organizing 320.21

Headquarters 99.00

Deficit State fund \$361.99

L. T. L.

My dear Co-workers:—This year we are to be let into the directory in the state minutes, so let us secure each a copy so that we may write to each other and become better acquainted. I am not able to furnish as many of the names of superintendents as I should like to but I have sent more than I received reports from this year, so if your name is not among the number, you know whose fault it is and perhaps not let it happen again. I copy a leaflet which I hope each one will read and decide to take the course that is mentioned. You will notice that a whole union can take it for the same price that an individual can. I do most heartily wish that the unions and I would see fit to take up this work so that one cry of "No Leader" would cease.

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L. T. L. CORNER.

My dear Co-Workers:

Your secretary has received only 19 reports from the legions this year. This is very unfair to your legion as we know that some of the largest legions are not among the number; especially for the past six months, so we are unable to report anything except what we have before us, and this report compared with last year's shows a loss of membership which I am sure is not true.

The state and national dues paid this year are \$6.15 against \$31.38 last year. This is a mistake to let our dues fall behind like that. Will not each superintendent see to it in the future that 5 cents a member be paid for state dues and the same for national?

I am sure more has been done, but not enough as we have had so many calls from mother unions for instructions which we forwarded as soon as possible. I am glad to note that the unions throughout the state see the necessity of advancing this line of work. May God bless you in it is the prayer of your secretary.

ELLA C. BOISE.

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General ex. 1950.52

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