The Need of the Hour.  
By Edward Markham.

Great in our heritages of hope, and great  
The obligation of our civic fate.

If living to thrice a triple colored flag to dare  
How the undaunted urge and yet

For there are high advantages for this hour,  
To turn the trust of the past to the way.

For we must pay—yes, the years went onward,  
What we need, we, to guard and keep us true.

The public call. The public need.  
The fine sustaining of honest deeds,  
The swift gentilities that take the part  
Of the common life and the common heart.

The three.  
Warriors, fire-beds of a mere trickery.

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Not until the mother comprehends  
the fact that she is a power in the nation  
and development of child life.

Whoever has combusted and killed  
the notion of the ordinary individual.

The nation is sustained by the proud,  
who have such power in the power  
and prowess; it can contruct

big lads, build battleships, declare  
the consequences and the purpose.

What connection can  
be made between the great education  
and a little company of women

who have been the slowest to think  
the outcome or, to cultivate thoughts.

Would women think of girls' food or moral training of children?  
It is true the nation is

a house for men's, but the thought  
and concrete and individual ones.

The health of the nation is

the sum of the health of its individual men and women;  
the nation of the nation but the aggregate  
and aggregate, the sum of all the women

who in the future will constitute the future of our nation,

it is to the women whom

interest the mothers' associations.

of our women is the most significant  
these discussions will depend to a great  
and we find in them, as it is, the complete  
development and developed

to determine the trend of

The workers or the invalids, the sober,  
the honest, industrious, or the sexual  
verts, the drunkards or the criminals of the future are today  
beings, yet the working men and women,

will and power or skill. The duty of the  
and to bring to its realization  
and the mothers meeting is first,  
to educate women as to the dignity of womanhood.

Therefore the mothers meeting has come  
and to have the courage, and to their children  
their desire.

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meeting of women to gossip concerning  
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A special badge of purple ribbon will be given to all members of the Win One Crusade who attend the meeting.

If you are not already a member, it is not too late to get in. You need not qualify by any formal examination; the qualification necessary is to win one new member and see that her dues are collected.

The state executive committee will meet Wednesday, September 22nd, at 10 a.m., at the home of Mr. J. L. Hanna. It is very important that every member be in attendance. All delegates must escort their own secretaries or arrange for lodging, breakfast and supper.

Valley City is centrally located, is easily accessible by rail and has unusual railroad facilities. Valley City is beautiful for situations: cherry and apple orchards, the Sheyenne river valley. It is the home of the State Normal School, and has a reputation as an educational and musical center. The hospitable people of my home city are preparing to give the convention a royal welcome.

Let us all work together to make this Twentieth Millionaire Convention a notable success.

Yours for service,
ELIZABETH PRESTON ANDERSON.

**RESCUE WORK.**

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stations. Here innocent girls often fall into associations where strangers are taken as companions and a light-hearted ideal. In small towns especially girls should not enter these associations, for many things as parents we treat lightly that should be viewed seriously as to the future.

I believe that girls should be taught to find safety and security in the time even when house cares do not make the association necessary. The association is helpful and useful, to the mind a child that must have these things, we must teach them to be cautious. If she cannot content herself with the wholesome, tasteful, books, fancy work, home company, etc., at least half her spare time, she needs something to keep her from falling into associations.

While we are seeking to help our own girls, we should be seeking to help the friends.

Is there a neglected, friendless girl in the city or county you might save? And what about the poor, neglected boy? As W. W. White has said, "We are not as this person worthy of my service and help as they who are?"

Are girls and boys worthy of God's great mercy to us? Let us seek to know more of conditions and their relations to the work and help the young and God will bless us and use us to His glory.

MRS. F. J. BEISE.

**LETTER FROM SUPERINTENDENT.**

"Dear Superintendent:

I am quite sure you will kindly inform me how many "Comfort Bags" you will need for the next session of the convention? Formerly I asked them to be finished and sent before that time, however, as we have permission for us to send the bags one hundred days from now, and to be distributed at their date, and fully realizing the importance of saving the proper time, the superintendent's office is making arrangements to have the bags finished and ready for distribution.

We expect to have work for as long as you are able to do, as we have the time to keep the work as far as possible.

I have enclosed in the number of a larger order of the bags that will be used for the purpose of distribution.

Respectfully yours,

MRS. L. B. CHAMBERLAIN.

**LICENSE PRODUCE EAD PIGS.**

I believe there are at least 3,500 pigs in Chicago where liquor is sold and a license that there are more pigs in Chicago today than there are in the State of Illinois, as the words of the secretary of the Chicago Law and Order League, March 13, 1900.

**CONVENTION CALL.**

The twentieth annual meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held in the Epworth Methodist Episcopal Church, Valley City, September 23rd and 24th.

Article Six of the constitution defines the membership of the state convention as follows: "The annual meeting shall be composed of the executive committee of the county or county corresponding secretaries and treasurers, chairmen of standing committees, and at least one delegate from each locality of unions or their alternates, one delegate at large from the state convention, and any other persons who have been elected as members, also one L. T. delegate for every $50.00 L. T. paid into the treasury of the state convention, to be named by the L. T. superintendent."

Article Three of the constitution defines the duties of the vice-presidents (county and district presidents) or their alternates, dual and single L. T. executive committee of their respective counties or districts, the general secretaries of the Young Woman's and L. T. L. branches, the editor of the White Ribbon Bulletin, and the state treasurer. The committee shall constitute an executive committee.

We are arranging, and throughout the year of our history as a state organization, a history for which we should be grateful. God has richly blessed the efforts we have put forth and crowned the years with momentous blessings. In these times of thanksgiving and praise to Him, the keynote of this convention. Let us shower His blessings in praise and thanksgiving in the remainder of our meetings.

First, by a large increase in the membership. This means that every woman, who can make a small donation, is doing something good for the cause of prohibition. Every new member at once and collect dues, collective payments, and at least 75 cents to the state treasurer, Mrs. R. B. Reed, Amenia, before September 1st, when the box is closed.

Second, by making this largest convention in our history. Plan to make this convention as large as ever possible. Elect delegates and send their names to the chairman of the officers. We are all working as F. W. Heidel, Valley City, before September 9th. County and district secretaries, and all members of the executive committee are expected to preside at their respective conventions; F. W. Heidel if they desire entertainment.

Third, bring to this convention a thought for the work and your most earnest prayers for Divine guidance. Observe Friday, September 23rd, as a day of prayer for God's blessing in the convention and in all its deliberations.

We expect to have with us the following notable women of the state, the presidents of the W. C. T. U. of the counties, the state secretary of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Mrs. W. W. White, the superintendent, Dr. John A. Anderson, and Miss Carrie L. Keeler, chairwoman of the executive committee.

Mrs. W. W. White has written in the last number of the White Ribbon Bulletin, that it is her desire to make this a banner convention. Look up your banners and send them to the chairman of the program committee, Miss Carrie L. Keeler, O. Koen, Valley City.

We expect to have unusually fine music this year. Our state musical director, Mrs. Walter Reed, and the local musical director, Mrs. S. Ziegler, will have charge of this part of the program.
North Dakota

The Twenty-first Annual Convention of Cass Co. was held at Hunter, June 22 and 23, and was of more interest than usual. The hospitality extended was most cordial and the entire proceedings were free from any of that good cheer permeated each of the well conducted sessions. Mr. J. G. Richards, a great favorite with the Hunters, was the first speaker, and was welcomed the first day and gave much needed information on many topics along with all lines. The reports of the local Unions were all good in that they told of good work done, and a number of the reports were read. The Union had elected a Miss Groves, asplendid young woman, to be secretary of their local. Her name has not missed the Union reports of the year. All of the reports were read and the last one was the report of the Union, which will be given in a later issue of the paper. The meeting adjourned.

Fargo, N. Dak., July 18, 1909.

Dear Sirs:

I have the honor to submit the report of the union in this case for the present year. We have had a very successful winter season, and have made such satisfactory progress that we feel that we have co-operated with great success. The field work will continue to be of great importance.

Yours sincerely,

Emily Hart.


My Dear Sirs:

I have the honor to beg leave to ask a few questions, which I believe may be of interest to the union. The following are some of the questions that I have in mind:

1. What is the present status of the union in connection with the local chapter?
2. Can you state the number of members in the union at present?
3. What is the present financial condition of the union?
4. What is the present state of the field work in the union?

I am, etc.,

Thomas B. Smith.

Fargo, North Dakota.
America, the Land of Waste.

Our annual bill of two billions is the biggest and most shameful item in the budget. But there are other ways in which we are the most reckless nation in the world. On the planet a man in the United States for each of the last five years would have paid for the Panama Canal.

In the last seventy-five years the big fires of the world, which caused losses of ten million for each one over have numbered nineteen; of these the United States and Canada distributed fourteen, with a total loss of seven hundred millions. Now we are beginning to rival the world in this destructive policy.

All these are forms of preventable waste, Prohibition is our business, better building for the fire hazard and forest preservation and planning for the flood plains would result in these terrific totals sufficiently to make the country a very paradise of material prosperity. The Epworth Herald

A Missouri town council, by a vote of five to three, has defeated a resolution demanding the enforcement of existing liquor and Sunday closing laws. One is moved to ask in conscience why the law is on the statute books if not to be enforced. These debates by public officers on the question of whether or not a law shall be enforced are merely debates as to whether or not these officials shall perform their sworn duty. It is a simple question of honor.—Women's National Daily.