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"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH."

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## THE LESSON FROM A BATTLE.

They say that in a battle  
It takes a ton of lead  
To do the work of carnage  
That lays each hero dead;  
As millions of the bullets  
Seem void of all effect,  
So thousands of our efforts  
Will seem, we may expect.

The ones who aim at nothing,  
So seldom miss the mark,  
They seem the most successful  
And happy as the lark;  
The man without a purpose  
Is much more free from care,  
Than one who struggles upward  
With zeal to do and dare.

That no one is defeated  
While battling with his might;  
Defeat is not in failure,  
But giving up the fight;  
Success is not in scaling  
Yon pinnacle of fame,  
But doing needful duty  
Regardless of acclaim.

## NATIONAL CONVENTION.

As I view in retrospect the thirtieth annual convention of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union at Portland, Ore., the impression grows of the magnitude and the majesty of our work, the ability and consecration of our workers. The key note was not hard to find in the utterances of these eloquent, earnest women, many of them world renowned. It was "Home." The first purpose of our organization was "Down with King Alcohol," that this may be the sooner be accomplished we extol the virtues and cry "Up with everything good, pure, uplifting and inspiring." Much emphasis was placed upon the ballot for women as a direct means for the destruction of the liquor traffic. Oregon had invited the National that we might be a help and an inspiration at the time of this important campaign for suffrage. (They have won the battle.)

One of the striking things of this convention was the ease with which at any moment during the consideration of weighty subjects the great convention was halted by a voice from the floor saying "Madam President, a question of privilege, please." "Please state it." "May we not take this important matter to our Father in prayer?" "Certainly Mrs. L., will you please lead us?" The following rest and quiet was in great contrast to the cheers which a short time before had greeted a noted or a favorite speaker. "White Ribbon, white ribbon, white rib—Rah, ra, rah." With the clapping of hands, floating of the National flag and the white and yellow streamers, which formed a most inspiring scene.

Convention opened with all general officers in their places, except the National Rec. Sec., our own Mrs. Anderson, who was advised to continue rest and quiet a little longer, that complete recovery might be more perfectly assured. Greetings to her was one of the first matters of business.

At Seattle we were reminded that we were coming to the Land of Roses when

the Park Commissioners sent a wagon load of beauties, for which that city is famed. Portland—"The city of roses," "the city of beautiful homes," "the city of opportunity," Mrs. Stevens liked to call it. You may be sure Portland would not be behind Seattle. Our gracious hostess, Mrs. Unruh, and her splendid women had banked the roses on desks and tables at the feet of our National officers, and others who were honored by a place on the platform, at the opening of convention Monday. Several Crusaders; Mrs. Katherine Lent Stevenson, of Boston, who has written many of our songs; Mrs. Graham, National Musical director and Miss Grace Bower, of South Dakota, who plays our golden cornet. Ferns and palms were plentifully used in the background; our National banners and the stars and stripes depended from the balcony; at the right was a large prohibition map and beneath that the Y. P. B. motto "Help Build the Light-house and You'll not have to Man the Lifeboats."

The first great event was the reading of the President's annual address. It was quite as grand, comprehensive and helpful as we had expected—we greatly appreciate the gift of a printed copy which she gave to each delegate. We will speak duly of some of her recommendations, which were discussed at other sessions and acted upon. I will greatly condense.

"I recommend, earnestly, that more attention the coming year shall be devoted to an effort to increase our membership, and that each individual white ribboner be a committee of one to assist."

"That we emphasize the value of the educational phases of the temperance reform." The liquor associations are sending to libraries their publications, often with misleading titles and always with false and misleading statements. Let us be as prompt to avail ourselves of this opening—and place before the public well sustained facts.

"That we renew our zeal and work for National prohibition in 1920."

"That we take active part in the effort to secure the passage of the bill now pending to prohibit the shipment of interstate commerce of intoxicating liquors for use in prohibitory territory in violation of law."

"That we continue to oppose all efforts for the restoration of sale of strong drink in U. S. army or in any place from which it has been banished."

"That we ask for legislation to prevent the use of the United States mail in advertising alcoholic beverages."

"That we endeavor to secure legislation which will abolish all federal taxation of the alcoholic traffic."

"That we do all we can for the destruction of the white slave traffic." (Amplified.)

"That our work for immigrants reach them on shipboard and give instruction useful to them in their new home."

"That we make greater use of placards and posters bearing strong temperance facts."

"That we help enforce Pure Food and Drug Law pertaining to 'cure alls.'"

"That we report violations of law

against shipment of picture films showing prize fights."

The next two recommendations were largely discussed and greatly emphasized:

"That we provide temperance exhibits attractively arranged, showing the relation of alcohol to delinquency, degeneracy, poverty and crime."

"That we everywhere emphasize the fact that a move against alcohol similar to that waged against tuberculosis should be carried on by all charitable organizations."

Mrs. Parks, the Cor. Sec'y, showed immense amount of literature handled at headquarters at Evanston, Ill. This year about \$4,000.00 has been used in buying the supplies which belonged to the various superintendents of departments, which is all now to be had at headquarters. She spoke of the great meetings held in Washington, D. C., in connection with the hearings of the liquor bills before congress and of the National W. C. T. U. Day, when 24 states were represented. There has been a gain of 20,000 members, 369 new unions, a total of 256,887 dues paying women. Undoubtedly there are 300,000 members in the U. S., because not all are reported. She urged us to "Be alert to seize the latch-string of opportunity."

The treasurer's report showed total receipts for the year \$108,277.98, disbursements, \$91,519.39, leaving a good balance on hand. The Emilie D. Martin bequest will realize for the National probably \$12,200.00, which will be invested in interest bearing certificates and only the interest used.

Encouraging gains were shown also in L. T. L. and Y. P. B. 559 new Legions have been organized, making a total membership of over 60,000 children. New York holds the record of having organized 52. Montana again wins the flag for the largest amount of dues paid, according to the membership. Shall North Dakota try for this banner for next year? Miss Rhena E. G. Mosher, National Secretary of the young Peoples Branch, reported 7,410 young women and 4,385 young men members paying dues in local Branches. They have held 1,797 social and 8,453 business meetings. There are 806 Branches, 170 of them are taking the study course, 55 conduct L. T. L. and they have edited 170 columns in papers. Miss Mosher said "Our greatest hindrance is lack of leaders, but this may easily be overcome if local unions will study the work of the Branch and learn to conduct such an organization."

Mrs. Bessie Lathé Scovell of Minnesota, National Sec'y of College Y. P. B., showed how we have been able to open the minds of college students that they may never be as unknowing and as indifferent again." 54 institutions of learning were visited; 22,094 students reached. Nor is this the only thing accomplished. "We have met many college professors who are ignorant of the great strides science is making in its conclusions concerning alcohol. A little prejudice on any subject will close one's avenue of knowledge on that subject." At the young people's rally Mrs. Scovelle said "I believe we will see the ful-

fillment of our slogan 'A Saloonless Nation in 1920' and that a dozen years from now the liquor traffic will be as dead as is the slave traffic today."

The honor guest of Convention was Miss Anderson Hughes of New Zealand, representing the World's W. C. T. U., a bright, talented, vivacious little woman in love with her work and her home land. She gave us two fine addresses: "Under the Southern Cross"—illustrated and "How New Zealand Grasp the Nettle." She declared that prohibition prohibits in New Zealand. Wherever the saloon has been voted out it has never been voted back. "We are within five per cent of the vote necessary to rid our nation of saloons and when we are once rid of them, with 1,200 miles of water between us and any other country, we will have no trouble in staying dry."

Gov. West of Oregon was received with prolonged cheers from his first appearance in the room until he had shaken hands with the general officers on the platform and the determined rap of the president's gavel brought instant and constant quiet, while we listened to the most touching of stories, told for the first time, which showed why he was in this strife for law enforcement to the death—the applause which followed lasted for several minutes. A huge bunch of flowers was given him, nearly as large as the little maid who presented them. He caught the child in his arms, kissed her, bowed to the audience and passed out of the church amid the continued applause of the audience.

The second great ovation was given to Mayor Cotterill, of Seattle—the first act of the enfranchised women of Washington was to recall the mayor and elect Mr. Cotterill.) He said: "You will be glad to know we are demonstrating the efficiency of women as practical workers on the municipal pay-roll as protection officers. We are saving on an average of one young girl a day. Seattle has five police women. Now when one says that prohibition don't prohibit, I know and can answer that regulation does not regulate, that segregation does not segregate, but that recognition by law, by city authorities, of any form of crime is the thing that aggravates and increases that evil."

Portland's chief of police for the past eight years was introduced as the man who could lead a prayer meeting as well as arrest a criminal. He was a fine example of a christian citizen as an officer.

Our favorites in North Dakota were as earnest and as interesting as ever. All sent loving greetings to North Dakota—Mrs. Stevens, Miss Gordon, Mrs. Atkins, Mrs. Florence D. Richards, Miss Mosher, Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, Katherine Lent Stevenson, Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Scovell, Mrs. Adah Wallace Unruh, our hostess, Miss Rose Davidson, Mrs. ... of Boston Mrs. Holman, Miss A. Austin our new Superintendent of Literature, and many others. The full staff of national officers were re-elected. The World's W. C. T. U. will come to Brooklyn N. Y., for its next convention, 1913.

The North Dakota delegation at Na-

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Let those who have failed take courage,

Tho' the enemy seems to have won,  
Tho' his ranks are strong,  
If he be in the wrong,  
The battle is not yet done.  
For sure as the mornin follows  
The darkest hour of night—  
No question is ever settled  
Until it is settled right—Selected.

Mrs. Isabella A. Burley, in an excellent paper which we hope to publish, makes such a good suggestion, in regard to Scientific Temperance Teaching, that we feel our readers should have the immediate benefit. She suggests: That we put more emphasis on the essay work next year. This is where the superintendent of schools might help a great deal. Towards the end of March she might appoint a red letter day when all the children in the 4th, 5th and 6th grades be asked to write their best thoughts on "The Effects of Narcotics" and the 7th and 8th grades write on one of the topics in the county and state essay contest work. The papers could be sent to the different unions in the county to be graded. I believe that if the children in the schools knew that each one would be tested on what he had learned regarding the evil effects of tobacco and alcoholic liquor during the year, that is if he knew he would be asked to write on the subject in some such way as I have suggested, he would be more interested in it. The temperance essay is a distinctive feature in the study of Scientific Temperance where not only a brilliant pupil, but the entire grades can write.

Mrs. M. A. Garry sends greetings from the Pacific coast and says she would enjoy sending an account of her entire trip to any of the group that delegated her to attend the great convention at Portland. Write her at Leeds, North Dakota. We frequently have reason to regret that space in White Ribbon Bulletin is so limited.

## SUGGESTIONS FOR HOLIDAY GIFTS.

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A victory for temperance has been won this past year by the act prohibiting the importation, manufacture and sale of Absinthe in the United States. Absinthe is one of the most intoxicating drugs that is sold as a beverage.

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER.

Dear Comrades:

I am thinking on this beautiful Thanksgiving day of the many things for which we as an organization have reason to be thankful:

For the onward march of the temperance cause in the Nation, thru education and legislation. That prohibition states have held their own and gained notable victories in Maine and Georgia in the defeat of liquor candidates for governor and the election of temperance men. For the splendid vote by which West Virginia carried state wide prohibition. For the suffrage victories in Oregon, Arizona, Kansas and Michigan, giving us now ten states where women vote on equal terms with men. For the great convention at Portland in which the note of victory was dominant. For the gain in membership of over eleven thousand. For the reelection of our dauntless, unwearied and unconquerable leader, Lillian M. N. Stevens.

In our own state we are thankful that a number of splendid young lawyers, who believe in law enforcement, have been elected states attorneys. That there have been some desirable changes in the judiciary of the state. We are thankful for the inspiring convention at Devils Lake. For the splendid annual address of Mrs. Buck. For the good generalship of Mrs. Buck and Mrs. Wylie. For the faithful field work done by our own Georgie Chambers and Mrs. Julia D. Nelson. For the hundreds of consecrated women in the local unions who count it a joy to work and sacrifice for our great cause. For the fact that some unions are already responding to our call for new members. Mrs. R. B. Reed writes that Amenia has gained twelve new members and has now the largest membership in the history of that union.

A meeting of the Legislative Committee of the Enforcement League, the Scandinavian Total Abstinence Society and the W. C. T. U. was held at Fargo November 26. The liquor inspection bill and other measures were considered. These organizations are in thorough accord and will be a unit in the requests made of the next legislature.

It is expected that the Sheppard-Kenyon bill will be the special order in the Senate December 16. Each of the state temperance organizations are planning to send a representative to Washington at this time. Every district president has been asked to raise \$15.00 from her district to help to pay the expenses of our representative. The time is short and it is important that the unions respond promptly, sending the money to the district president—who will send it to the state treasurer.

The National General Officers have conferred with Dr. Lucy Rider Meyer of the Chicago Training School, who offers to give a special temperance course, scientific and practical. Mrs. Meyer will give this course for a class of eight or more students, a seven week's course, from March 11 to May 1, at 4949 Indiana Ave., Chicago. There is no charge for tuition. A matriculation fee of \$2.00 and the sum of \$25.00 for the seven week's course will cover the expense for board at Harris Hall in single room, and covers heat and light. There will be four special lessons in W. C. T. U. training each week and the classes in social service, Bible study, music, etc., will be open to all, but not compulsory. We hope that some of our North Dakota white ribboners will take advantage of this splendid opportunity to train for effective work.

As we plan to remember our friends at the blessed Christmas season, let us not forget the useful

and beautiful presents that may be purchased at our own National Literature Building, Evanston, Ill.

What better present could be made to a friend whom you wish to interest in our great work than the Union Signal? Or what would bring greater blessing to a child than the monthly visit of The Young Crusader? The library edition of The Life of Frances E. Willard, by Anna A. Gordon, makes a charming present. Calendars are always acceptable. A beautiful one in sepia tints, is gotten up in easel form, with a suspended picture of Rest Cottage and underneath one of Miss Willard's beautiful sentiments. This work of art is sold for 35 cents or \$3.00 a dozen. Local unions could handle these making ten cents on every one sold.

## MR. JOHN HILBORN

I have received an account from Mrs. E. C. Widdifield, our Evangelistic Superintendent, of the triumphant home going of her beloved father, Mr. John Hilborn. Mr. Hilborn was a life member of the state W. C. T. U., an honorary member of the Leal W. C. T. U., from its organization—until he went to live with his daughter, Mrs. Minnie Cox, at Wimbledon, when his membership was transferred there. Grandpa Hilborn, as he was familiarly known, was one of the pioneers of North Dakota. He and his family made Leal known throughout the state as a stronghold of righteousness and temperance. The old Hilborn home when it was lighted by the sweet, gracious presence of Grandpa Hilborn was a haven of rest for temperance workers and a place of inspiration and spiritual uplift. I shall never cease to be thankful that I enjoyed the rare friendship of these two Quaker saints now reunited in the home above.

Grandpa Hilborn attained the ripe age of nearly eighty-five, and after only a few days illness he passed peacefully away November 9th. Death had no terrors for him. He said over and over again, "It is all for the best, I am ready, all ready."

Although a man of strong principles, he was blessed with a temperament unusually sweet and happy and was greatly beloved. He will be sadly missed by all who were so fortunate as to be in the wide circle of his friends, but his memory will be a benediction and the influence of his calm beautiful life will continue to uplift and bless all who knew him. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

ELIZABETH PRESTON ANDERSON.

## NATIONAL CONVENTION.

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tional were Mrs. M. A. Garry and Mrs. Peterson of Leeds, Mrs. W. E. Boise of Jamestown, Mrs. C. W. Connor of Minot, Mrs. H. H. Aaker and Mrs. Abbie W. H. Best of Fargo.

Among those in the west who called upon the N. D. delegation at National were Mrs. and Miss Honey formerly of Park River union, Mrs. Howard and Mr. Cook, Tower City, Miss Staples of Abasaka, Mrs. Lincoln of Rose Valley, Mr. and Mrs. Will Beard, Hunter, Mrs. Hubbard of Fargo.

The many friends of Mrs. Florence D. Richards, of Ohio, whose reasoning and eloquence has stirred many a North Dakota audience, will regret to hear of her sudden bereavement in the death of her husband, which occurred while she was on her way home from the National.

Mrs. Abbie W. H. Best.

"We noticed with pleasure a few days ago that the wife of the new speaker of the Canadian House of Commons (the Hon. Mrs. Sproule) has resolved that no intoxicating beverages shall be used at dinners or other social functions while she is mistress of the official residence. All honor to such principle and courageous wisdom. Neither in pleasure nor pain is liquor a boon. It is a treacherous friend that flatters while it ruins."—S. S. Chronicle, London.



### L. T. L. COLUMN.

Dear Little Legioners:

Now that winter has come I suppose we have apples stored away in our cellars. What is nicer than a fine, juicy apple? Welcome you are, Mr. Apple.

Some people are not content to eat the lovely fruit as God has given it, but make it into a poisonous drink. They take all of the juice out of the apple and make it into cider. In a short time the sugar in the apple juice spoils and alcohol is formed, thus making cider a poisonous drink.

Look at the good apple and compare it with the bad apple, or Mr. Cider. A great many people become drunkards just from drinking cider. Anything which contains alcohol is not a safe drink, because alcohol puts the brain and nerves to sleep, it makes the heart beat too fast and hurts the entire body.

Some drinks do not contain as much alcohol as others, as for instance beer and cider. However, it is not even safe to take liquors which contain only a little alcohol, because taking only a little alcohol is almost certain to make a person want more and more.

The alcohol in wine comes from the spoiled sugar in grape juice and in other fruits used to make wine. The alcohol in beer comes from the spoiled sugar in malt, which is made from barley.

Let us learn these memory gems and always be true blue boys and girls:

"Apples, ripe apples, we'll pick from the trees,

But cider—no cider for us, if you please,  
Grapes, purple grapes, for your eating  
and mine,

But we'll turn down our glasses where  
pours the red wine.

Barley, fresh barley, we'll welcome as  
bread,

But when made into beer it is poison  
instead.

We'll enjoy all the good things God  
maketh to grow,

When men change them to poisons, we'll  
say 'No.'"

#### BOYS:

Hurrah, boys, hurrah! The apples are  
mellow!

Come and gather them down in the  
glade.

#### GIRLS:

But what would you say should the  
former, some day

Offer drink of the cider they've made?

#### TOGETHER:

A fig for the cider! There's alcohol in it!  
No cider for us, we'd say.

Because we've been learning the cider-  
press turning,

Carries sorrow and sin on its way.

Yours for service,

GEORGE CHAMBERS.

To the state securing 350 subscriptions to The Young Crusader the National offered a gold watch, providing the subscriptions were credited to some one person. Last year North Dakota had 307 subscriptions, this year she has 369. This would have entitled the state to the prize, but as only 318 asked that credit be given the state L. T. L. secretary the honors went elsewhere. However, the 318 entitled the secretary to a place on the floor of the National convention as a Young Crusader circulator. The secretary not being present the circulator's badge was sent to her. North Dakota has pledged 400 subscriptions to The Young Crusader for the coming year. What will you do to help secure the 400?

### FROM MRS. WYLIE.

Dear Comrades:

Since state convention considerable field work has been done. Mrs. Harriett D. Hall, of Illinois, was with us Oct. 2-21, beginning at Fairmount and closing with a mass meeting in the Opera House at Cooperstown. The greater part of the time was spent in 9th district, where Mrs. Hall is a special favorite. A summary of work shows 17 addresses delivered, with 16 new active members, two honoraries and three Frances Willard members secured. A very hopeful union was organized at Wishek of which Mrs. Hattie M. Wilson is president, Mrs. Carolyn Temm, Cor. Sec., and Mrs. Angelina Jones, treasurer. Mrs. Hall is always a welcome visitor in our state. Miss Rhena E. G. Mosher, National Y. P. B. secretary, stopped off with us a few days enroute to Portland Convention. At Wahpeton she addressed the School of Science, finding the Supt., Mr. Fred E. Smith, in sympathy with the work. A separate organization was not considered wise as the work is to be carried on by the Y. W. C. A. At the Indian School Miss Mosher found a new Supt. and new teachers—only one who was there last year. The Supt. stated that he had orders from the department at Washington not to use the W. C. T. U. program for special temperance day. The Supt. of Indian School at Bismarck made the same statements. If our friends use one equally good we shall be satisfied but we trust the special day may be observed. Miss Mosher met with the Y. P. B. girls at Casselton, outlined their work and secured several new members. At Fargo she addressed the students at Oak Grove Seminary, the High School and two Business Colleges. At Valley City the students in the State Normal School assembled to hear Miss Mosher. President McFarland is very cordial to every effort along this line but on account of the crowded condition of the work did not favor another organization. Miss Mosher believes that paid leaders will help solve the problem in all of these institutions. We regretted that illness prevented Miss Mosher from keeping her appointment at Jamestown, though later she was able to address the Indian School at Bismarck.

You will be pleased to know that our Y. P. B. at the University is making quite a stir. The secretary, Miss Halcrow, writes that people no longer say—"Y. P. B., what's that?" Among their 40 or more members are some of the best students in the U. and these are enlisting others. One bright young law student alone secured twelve members. On the 8th inst Dr. E. J. Boyle spoke on "The Temperance Question from an Economic Viewpoint."

At the regular Convocation hour, Judge C. A. Pollock, speaking under Y. P. B. auspices gave one of his strong addresses on "The Success of Prohibition in North Dakota." It means much to the success of the undertaking that President McVey is in hearty sympathy with it. The meetings are announced on the University Bulletin among other important events of the week. Theodore Roy has been elected president and Monte Perry secretary and treasurer. The following vice presidents were elected—from Junior Class, F. W. Stevenson; from Sophomores, Miss Elsie Van Camp; from Freshmen, Lloyd Fox; from Model High, Ralph Ray.

Immediately following State Convention Mrs. Julia D. Nelson began work in Devils Lake, continuing in First district and visiting Churches Perry, Cando, Bisbee, Rolla, St. John and Egeland. In Third district, Rugby, Towner, Barton, Willow City, Antler and Bottineau were visited and in Second district, Leeds, Oberon, Sheyenne, New Rockford and Carrington. On her way home thru 12th district, Mrs. Nelson stopped at Jamestown, Sanborn and Valley City, giving public addresses at the last two places. From Oct. 1st to Nov. 11th, 172 calls were made in homes, 45 new members gained and leaders found for several L. T. L.'s. Mrs. Nelson also attended

regular meetings of two unions and special meetings called by three unions, while she presented the work before two Ladies' Aid Societies. We believe that much interest has been created in the districts thru which Mrs. Nelson has traveled. While she may not be able to leave home in mid-winter, those desiring her services are requested to notify me at an early date.

The weather and politics produced conditions unfavorable to medal contest work in October and our trainer, Miss Kirk, waited patiently for a call. It came at last and she began work in the northeast corner of the state, giving recitals at Grafton, Drayton, Hensel, Backoo, Cavalier and Wall-halla and organizing contest classes at the four largest places, the time being too short, before Christmas, for all to have contests. Miss Kirk expects to return after the holidays, to finish her work in this county. I would like to impress upon you, dear comrades, the necessity of taking Miss Kirk, when she comes your way, if you are to have her at all this year. The distances in our state are so great and travel so expensive, that careful planning of routes is absolutely necessary and cannot be accomplished without your help. I have had the pleasure of entertaining Miss Kirk and know her to be a delightful and desirable guest. Her influence over the young people cannot fail to be for good, in every way. I believe there has been a misunderstanding as to her terms, which are as follows: For the recital given the first evening and interspersed with music by local talent, Miss Kirk receives one half of gross receipts. The class is then organized and contestants helped in their selections. This will take a day or two, according to circumstances. Miss Kirk then goes to each town in the series, returning, when all are organized, to train the contestants. This will take about five days as each one is given four lessons of forty minutes each and also has the benefit of two class rehearsals. From the contest Miss Kirk receives two thirds of gross receipts. District presidents and others desiring to have medal contest work at any time during the year should let me know very soon that an itinerary may be arranged to the best advantage.

To the oft repeated question, "where's Miss Chambers now?" let me say she has been taking a much needed rest, but starts this week as paid L. T. L. organizer and leader in First District, which work will take about half of each month. We are hoping to have Miss Chambers for state work again—before long. Be sure to read her L. T. L. letter in this Bulletin. It is of interest to us all.

We cannot commend too highly the work of Mrs. F. H. Wilder, President of Fifteenth district, who has been visiting her local unions and generally helping the work along. Only in this way can we expect the best results from district organizations.

By invitation of our County Supt. of Schools, Mrs. Isabella A. Burley, I attended the annual meeting of the Teachers' Association, which met at Cavalier this month, and spoke to the teachers on Essay Contest work and the Bible in the Public Schools. So many have asked as to subjects and prizes for essays that I take this opportunity to tell it again. As far as I know, the National department has made no change this year. For the best essay in 4th, 5th or 6th grades on "The Effects of Tobacco," the prize is \$5.00. In 7th and 8th grades, for best essay on "What is the Harm in a Glass of Wine, Beer or Cider?" the prize is \$8.00 and in High School, on the subject, "The Value of Total Abstinence to a Life," a prize of \$10.00 is offered. The latter two subjects admit of several subdivisions any of which may be selected. The College prize of \$25.00 is still offered, but, so far, no contest between Colleges has been held in the state. Rules, governing all these essays, will be sent on application to the State Supt. of this department, Mrs. Lillie B. Smith, of Thompson.

Along the line of anti-narcotics work

you might be interested to know that Drayton union offers a five dollar gold piece to every boy, graduating from High School, who has not used tobacco. The prize is not large but the principle back of it certainly is, and the boys appreciate this.

Tomorrow will be Thanksgiving Day and blessings unnumbered call for ceaseless gratitude. Not least among these are the recent victories for equal suffrage and prohibition. Such a landslide for woman's cause was never before known! Many papers consider it the most important single result of the election. Surely we are living—

"In an age on ages telling—  
To be living is sublime."

Won't you write me how your union is progressing and if I can help you in any way? How many new members have you? We must make a big gain this year. See what other states are doing.

Yours, for progress all along the line,  
BARBARA H. WYLIE.  
Drayton, N. D., Nov. 27th, 1912.

### FIELD NOTES

HEATON—The Heaton Union held a public temperance meeting in the Congregational church, Sunday evening, Sept. 1, which was largely attended. The President, Mrs. W. H. Thurston, presided. The program consisted in part of statements of encouraging results of prohibition in dry territory and closed with a report of the Prohibition National Convention whose platform and candidates, the pastor said, were broad enough, strong enough and good enough to enlist the support of all and could be elected if those men and women who hitherto had "showered temperance and voted with the brewer," would join with prohibitionists and vote for what they profess to want. The choir and some L. T. L. girls sang Prohibition songs. Mrs. W. L. Tupper and Mrs. C. I. Turner also sang appropriate solos. The offering enabled us to pay our pledge of \$1400 to the state work.—Mrs. E. E. Saunders, Sec'y.

### CHALK TALKS.

It is said that 80 per cent of our education is acquired through the eye, and only 20 per cent by the ear. This is especially true with children. Things that pass through the eye-gate are not soon forgotten. The eye sees and knows. It has long been said "seeing is believing."

Pictures attract, hold the attention and clinch the lesson, and children love to see them grow.

Ellen A. Dayton Blair, W. C. T. U. National Organizer, 666 South Bonnie Brae St., Los Angeles, Calif., has made outline charts to enable those who have little or no knowledge of free hand drawing to illustrate a lesson with facility and force.

Faint outlines of pictures are traced upon large sheets of manila paper, which, though plain to the teacher, cannot be seen by the school. Soft charcoal pencils and colored crayons are used to follow these outlines in the presence of the children, giving the same result as if drawn by an artist. The verbal lessons to be given while drawing the pictures, accompany the charts.

These charts are especially fine for Loyal Temperance Legion leaders and public and Sunday school teachers. Price, \$1.00 per set of six lessons, and twelve cents for postage. Orders will be promptly filled and further information given by writing to the above address.

West Virginia, by a majority of 65,000, has put prohibition into the constitution and Oregon, Kansas, Michigan and Arizona have adopted equal suffrage.

We can prove with mathematical certainty that as much flour as can lie on the point of a table knife is more nutritious than eight quarts of the best Bavarian beer.—Baron Liebig.

**LETTER FROM STATE TREASURER.**

Dear Treasurers:

Instead of the names of Unions and amounts each has paid into the state treasury each month, we want to use our space for a few months, perhaps all the year, with suggestions and ways which will be mutually helpful and exalt the treasurer's office. We may be a set of modest, quiet women, but we hold a very important office. If we fail in our duties the whole great organization is weakened, and, if we keep on failing, it must fall.

First: Let me suggest that the treasurer of each Union see that her Union send for copies of the Annual Report or Minutes, whichever you call it, from the state treasurer, sending 15c for each, so that the officers of the Union may have them.

In this report you will find the Constitution and By-Laws for local Unions. The part of that which interests us is Sec. 4 of By-Laws giving the duties of treasurer. Notice that the first duty is to collect dues. This is made easier by having the dues paying social spoken of in November "Bulletin." The 10c district dues is to be sent to district treasurer, not to me. Your quarterly report is made to your Union. Of the 70c per member sent to me I send 10c to the National treasurer, 25c in state work, 10c in organizing fund, and 25c into "Bulletin" fund. Each woman who pays dues and her dues and name are sent to me is entitled to receive our paper. I'll speak more of that next month.

If any treasurer, with her ways and means committee, has any good financial schemes, write them to me so that I may pass them on to help others.

Yours,  
MRS. F. W. HEIDEL,  
State Treasurer.

**LETTER FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF FRANCHISE.**

Shall North Dakota be the eleventh state for Suffrage?

The country is ringing with the songs of victory! Four new states added to the Equal Suffrage list, giving a total of ten states who have 70 electoral votes. The spirit of democracy is growing. Shall we join the ranks of equal justice and fair play and help to promote the spirit in our own state, or shall we lag behind the spirit of the west which aspires to see the people rule?

Our legislature will meet in a few weeks and we need to have our petitions in readiness. A number of well filled lists have been sent in, but the larger number of districts have not yet been heard from. In the next thirty days can we not double our effort? It seems unnecessary to urge reasons for asking for the ballot, these have been so incessantly and urgently put forward. The W. C. T. U., the greatest (the most far-reaching in its influence) woman's organization in the state, or for that matter in the nation, has ever stood for it. That of itself should recommend it to the women of the state. The State Teachers' association has adopted a resolution favoring it, as has also the National association. In states where women have the Suffrage it is putting better men into office and cleaning up politics; it is making life more livable for the thousands of women who must go out from home to earn their own living; it is helping home makers to protect their homes from outside interests that would demoralize, and to promote outside interests that would uplift; it is ending the reign of privilege and injustice; it stands for the larger patriotism which is as natural to women as men.

"Free women west of us,  
Free women south of us,  
Free women east of us.

Soon now the searching test  
Of love and faith professed,  
Make us free as the rest."

CANDIS NELSON,  
State Supt. of Franchise.  
Valley City, N. Dak.

**SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.**

Dear Sisters:—I would like to suggest that each Union provide their superintendent of this department of work with the Sample package of leaflets on Scientific Temperance Instruction. This will furnish the required knowledge for this work and cost you just fifty cents, prepaid. Send to National W. C. T. U. Literature Building, Evanston, Illinois. This will tell you why you should have a Prize Essay Contest and how to have one.

LALLIE B. SMITH.

**SUBJECTS AND RULES FOR PRIZE ESSAY CONTESTS FOR 1913, AND REPORT OF PRIZE WINNERS FOR 1912.**

**COLLEGE CONTESTS.**—In a contest for the college prize, a local contest should first be held wherever a local prize is offered, and the prize essay should be entered with the winning essays of the other colleges of the state for a state prize. The state prize should be forwarded to the National Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction of the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

**General Subject**—The Relation of Individual Total Abstinence to the Prosperity of the Nation.

**Special Themes**—The Permanency of National Life as Affected by Intoxicants; The Principle of Prohibition; Personal Liberty and Public Obligation; The Public Schools and Scientific Temperance Instruction; Alcohol and the Public Health.

**Markings**—The essay shall be graded on clearness of thought, accuracy of statement and originality of presentation.

**Number of Words**—The maximum number of words shall be three thousand and the minimum two thousand.

**Prize**—The prize shall be known as the Susan J. Steele prize, and will be one hundred dollars in gold.

**HIGH SCHOOL CONTESTS.**—In a contest for the high school prize a local contest must first be held, followed by a county contest, if possible, and a state contest. The winning essay shall then be forwarded to the National Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction of the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

**General Subject**—The Value of Total Abstinence to a Life.

**Special Themes**—Alcohol and the Laborer; Alcohol and Crime; Alcohol and Tobacco; The National Government and the Trade in Intoxicants; The Decisions of the Courts with Reference to Intoxicants.

**Markings**—Essays shall be graded three-fourths on subject matter and one-fourth on style and grammatical excellence.

**Number of Words**—The maximum number of words shall be fifteen hundred and the minimum one thousand.

**Prize**—The prize shall be known as the National prize, and will be fifty dollars in gold.

**GRADE SCHOOL CONTESTS.**—In a contest in the grades every child in the room selected is expected to write upon the subject chosen. The teacher decides upon the ten best essays. A local contest is held with these and the prize awarded for the best essay. In city schools a second contest may be held between the different wards and a second prize given. The city prize essay is then entered in competition for the county prize and the county prize essay for the state prize. The state prize essay is then sent to the National Superintendent of the Scientific Temperance Instruction Department of the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

**General Subject**—Alcohol and the Human Body.

**Special Themes**—The Effect of Alcohol upon the Nervous System; Why Business Men Demand Abstinence on the part of their Employees; Intoxicants and Athletics; Narcotics and Scholarship.

**Prize**—The prize shall be known as the Mary C. Upham prize and will be thirty dollars in gold.

All prize essays must be in the hands of the National Superintendent, Mrs. Edith Smith Davis, of Hartford, Wis., by Aug. 15th, 1913. No essays will be received in printed form.

**THE PRIZE AWARDS FOR 1912.**—The college prize, one hundred dollars in gold known as the Susan J. Steele prize, was awarded J. David Houser of Leland Stanford Jr. University. His subject, "The Relation of Individual Total Abstinence to the Prosperity of the Nation,"

with a special study of "The Functions of the Social Conscience."

The high-school prize, fifty dollars in gold, known as the National prize, was awarded Miss Nina E. Wright of the Syracuse High-school, New York. Her subject, "The Value of Total Abstinence to Life."

The grade prize, thirty dollars in gold, known as the Mary C. Upham prize, was awarded Gladys Ramsey of the schools of Alliance, Ohio. Her subject, "Why Business Men Demand Abstinence on the Part of their Employees."

**NORTH DAKOTA CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR UNION.**

Dear Fellow Worker:

The Prison Committee earnestly calls your attention to the important work herein outlined. We want Rev. Geo. B. Newcomb of Bismarck to visit every community and deliver his popular free lectures, "The Branded Man," "The Branded Boy," "Uncle Sam, Jr.," and "The Unfolding Life of the Child." Discharged and paroled inmates from the penitentiary and reform school are constantly returning to social industrial life. They should be helped to regain their standing. The boys and girls in our homes must be impressed with the dangers that are prevalent which lead to crime. The church and other philanthropic societies call attention to these things incidentally, but the needs demand a specialist. Two lines of work are important. First: The "unchurched" are being reached by this method in many places, and your community needs to fall in line. Second: The prisoners in county jails should be visited, good literature distributed, and a helpful word or Gospel service given, to help them to a better life. Will you co-operate? For definite dates write Mr. Newcomb, who is the superintendent of the State Society for the Friendless, and was formerly the chaplain of the State Penitentiary, at Bismarck. As to any other matters pertaining to this department address me. We want all organizations of whatever affiliation to help us in this good work, as "it costs less to prevent crime than to punish criminals."

Yours fraternally,  
REV. E. E. SAUNDERS,  
Chairman C. E. Union,  
Heaton, N. D.

**LIQUOR MEN FAVOR LOCAL OPTION.**

James M. Atherton, the brainiest man in the liquor business, says: "Let the preacher and Sunday School superintendent advocate low license, high license or local option, anything but prohibition." He continues: "I warn you, there are thousand upon thousands of voters, and practically all good women in this country, that favor prohibition. You can sell at retail in local option territory, but you cannot hide your distillery and brewery. The day prohibition goes into effect, that day your business has got to die." Mr. Atherton also says: "The two most effective weapons with which to fight prohibition are high license and local option. I think local option is less objectionable in its practical operation than the extreme high license. Mr. Anheuser, of Anheuser, Busch Co., says: "Probably local option is the best thing for the trade at this time, with the present state of public opinion." Everywhere brewers are advocating local option as the best means of preventing prohibition.

You're still a standpatter, are you? Rather proud of it, too? Perhaps you don't know the company you're in, as shown by the record of the standpatters beginning back a few thousand years. Well, here it is.

Who would not listen to Noah, a preacher of righteousness, and were all drowned in the flood? The standpatters. Who refused to let the Children of Israel go up out of the land of Egypt? The standpatters.

Who had Daniel cast into the lions' den? The standpatters.

Who rejected the teachings of Jesus when the common people heard him gladly? The standpatters.

Who compelled Galileo to recant his declaration that the earth revolved? The standpatters.

Who put Columbus in prison after he had discovered a new world? The standpatters.

Who, after the globe had been circumnavigated, still insisted that the earth was flat? The standpatters.

Who believed it was right to hang people for witchcraft? The standpatters.

Who decried the sewing machine, the cotton gin, the self binder and other labor-saving inventions? The standpatters.

Who, north as well as south, opposed the abolition of slavery? The standpatters.

Who objected to the adoption of standard time? The standpatters.

Who opposed the building of the Panama canal? The standpatters.

Who have continually fought all legislation in behalf of the people? The standpatters.

Who have always believed that a public trust meant private graft. The standpatters.

Are you still a standpatter? If you are it is time for you to heed the injunction: "Come ye out from among them and be ye separate."—Ohio Messenger.

Mrs. Pease, the first acting president of the North Carolina W. C. T. U. thirty years ago, is now in her ninetieth year and was able to meet with us in nearly all our day sessions. When we consider, we find she must have been a woman sixty years of age when she first entered the work, an age when a good many think it time to give up and retire. She has been interested in all Christian work all her days; what a remarkable story she might tell if she had the physical ability to do so. She seems to be greatly revered in her home city and well she may. May a great light from heaven's own portals illumine her way as she travels toward the sunset.—North Carolina White Ribbon.

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