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"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH."

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## WHY I WANT TO VOTE.

By ELLA GILBERT IVES.

I'd like to vote because I find  
Its mighty wholesome for mankind  
To have a say in things that make  
For better living, whether cake  
Or Kingdom Come's the thing at stake.

I hate to see . . .  
Good fuel wasted; 'pears to me  
There's fire enough in women's bones,  
All stifled down, to melt the stones;  
And gifts and graces tucked away  
Enough to bring down Judgment Day.  
Now driving tandem's not God's way  
For man and woman; but abreast,  
In equal yoke, the human clay  
In His own image made and blessed.

The women pay their part in taxes  
To grind the politicians' axes;  
But woman's conscience is more tender.

Whatever be her brain dimension;  
And even if her wits are slender,  
They're capable of some extension—  
Enough to see that wrong and right  
Are seldom gray, but black and white.  
The logic of the situation  
Is not so very hard to see:

The wicked view with consternation  
A clarified humanity.  
Once introduce the washing tub  
In government, and—there's the rub!  
The very halls of state they'll scrub.  
These women, bent on purifying,  
Oh, how they'll keep the suds a flying!  
Clean streets, clean alleys and clean  
marts,  
Clean halls, clean fences and clean  
hearts!

The pictured poster then must go,  
The devil's sign board to his show;  
And his headquarters, the saloon,  
Will shut up shop to that old tune,  
"A woman did it."

And it's quite likely, when the women  
In the sea of politics are swimmin',  
They'll keep the good old ship of state  
From wrecking on a shoal of hate  
'Twixt brethren of a kindred nation,  
With that small tug boat, Arbitration.

They say some women should not own  
This right the suffragist proposes.  
Now when King George put all the  
noes

Colonial to his gridadone,  
Some men were found, so runs the story,  
Who counted it their chiefest glory  
To bear the name and shame of Tory;  
And yet rolled on great Freedom's ball  
Its mighty revolution making,

The paths conservative forsaking,  
And bringing liberty to all.  
'Tis God's own method, did He wait  
Till all desired a better way  
Before He flung the narrow gate  
Wide open to our mortal clay?  
He ever trains reluctant feet  
To climb the duty's road to rights;  
And shades our eyes until they're meet  
For larger vision on the heights.

## MEDAL CONTESTS.

The National Superintendent of Medal Contests offers the following prizes to be awarded the present year for excellency in special lines of Medal Contest work:

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5th. County and local workers will be given gold and silver stars for meritorious work.

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I am hoping that North Dakota may capture some of the prizes offered. Let us, as never before, accomplish things this year.

Yours for service,

EMMA LOCKWOOD,  
Valley City, N. Dak.

## MEDAL CONTEST AT CHAUTAQUA

It has been decided to hold a Grand Gold Medal Contest at Valley City Chautauqua on Temperance Day. This is to be a young people's contest. Contestants having won silver and gold medals in W. C. T. U. contests can compete in a Grand Gold contest. Contestants desiring to enter this contest should write at once to Miss Emma Lockwood, Valley City, No. Dak.

## DO CONTESTS MAKE PROHIBITION VOTERS?

Instead of giving the usual report at the National Convention the superintendents were asked to reply to the question of "How has your Department helped Prohibition?" The National Superintendent of Contests began by saying: "If I had two hours instead of ten minutes I could tell in part something of the great influence of this work. The past year 30,000 speeches have been made by contestants in contests, many more have been made by them in churches, Sunday schools, clubs, public schools, etc. From these contests \$18,000 has been realized; this has been used to help the cause of temperance and prohibition in securing speakers, purchasing liter-

ature for distribution, helping to carry on prohibition campaigns, etc. Hundreds of thousands if not millions have been attentive listeners. But as I am superintendent of this department, and might be considered over enthusiastic on the subject, the following short testimonial, from many at hand, has been chosen to show the opinion of some of the strongest prohibition workers concerning Medal contests and their value.

"The Advance," the official organ of the prohibition party, says: "The contest work is the 'Boy Scout' movement by which soldiers are prepared for the prohibition army."

## OUR RECITATION BOOKS

A religious journal says: "The best compilation of temperance and prohibition truths covering nearly every phase of reform work are contained in the Contest Reciters of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union." If this be true, and we believe it is, our contestants are prepared to reply to the opposers of prohibition on every point, for often 25 to 30 selections are committed and rendered by each contestant during a series of contests. If we ask one of these contestants, "What about saloon graft and saloon averse?" and "What relation has poverty to the saloon?" he will quote Seaborn Wright in Contest Book No. 16.

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For instruction and literature on the department, write to  
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## CONVENTION CALL.

The Executive Committee of the 15th District W. C. T. U. met at the home of the President in Fargo, for an all day session, April 16th.

Plans were made for the District Convention which will be held at Hope, June 19th and 20th. Miss Edna Rowan will be the National worker present, and she will deliver an address at the evening meeting.

It is 25 years since Cass county was organized and so a short Silver Jubilee program will be given one afternoon. It is hoped that Rep. Wm. Northrop will deliver an address on Legislation at one of the sessions.

Woman Suffrage and work among the young people are to be especially emphasized at this Convention.

One room of the first M. E. church, where the Convention is to be held, will be used for an exhibit of W. C. T. U. charts, literature, experiments, etc.

The Union at Hope reports 22 new active members and 10 honoraries. They are making plans for our entertainment, and all are assured of a pleasant time who attend the Convention in their beautiful and hospitable little city.

## WOULD NOT VOTE.

A spirited reply was made the other day by Mr. M. R. Morden to an anti letter asking him to vote against suffrage. He wrote:

"My father and mother raised five boys and girls. All ten were real good workers, and the girls were fully of as much use as the boys.

"The boys caused their parents ten times as much care and anxiety as the girls did. The boys, along with their neighbor boys, got up all the bull fights, rooster fights and dog fights, and all the fighting among themselves that was done by the family. When the boys were sick the girls helped care for them. When the girls were sick they took care of each other. The girls had most of the good manners.

"The girls and their mother did two-thirds of the voting at church meetings, Sunday school and in the various social and other organizations, and they voted with better sense and more care than the boys did.

"When the girls did the selling and buying at the town market near by, it was much better done than when the boys did it, and they would always be home earlier than the boys would.

"Now suppose even one of my five sisters wanted to vote at the elections, what manner of a man would I be were I to vote as you ask me to."

To use liquor is to the nervous system like placing sand in a watch; it wears it out rapidly, making it a worthless, useless thing.—Luther Burbank.

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What our part may signify in this great world

We may not understand,  
But we are here to play it  
And now is our time!

We certainly wish that more of our superintendents would avail themselves of the space reserved for them each month and push the work of their department. A short letter every month or so brings better results than half a page once a year. Half of our convention year is gone and we have not heard from some of our superintendents. Spring is here and all nature is awake, let us awake, too, to earnest work in our departments.

The demand has been met and the graded charts on alcohol and tobacco together with the manual fully explaining the charts; and containing supplemental lessons for the public school, are ready. These charts are produced in colors from the originals made and used by Mrs. Edith Smith Davis, A. M., Litt. D., superintendent of the department of scientific temperance instruction in public schools and colleges, World's and National Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Eight in number, size, 24 x 36. Price, per set of charts, with manual, \$1.50. National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Literature Building, Evanston, Illinois.

Until election time in November, 1914, every W. C. T. U. woman in North Dakota should constitute herself a committee of one to teach and preach the doctrine of equal suffrage. No one can do a great deal, but each can do something. Our state motto of—"Can, Ought and Will"—should be ever before us. Don't depend on any other society. The W. C. T. U. is the best organized woman's society in the world, but the success of equal suffrage depends, not on the State W. C. T. U., but on each member of each local W. C. T. U. The W. C. T. U. expects each woman to do her duty. Do not fail to do your part. Cut out suffrage clippings and give to the editors of your town papers. Send for and distribute suffrage literature, have discussions, no debates, arrange suffrage contests, keep sweet and be in earnest.

## PEACE DEPARTMENT FOR THE OBSERVANCE OF HAGUE DAY.

School authorities in two states, several organized Peace societies and the department of Peace and International Arbitration have for several consecutive years, recommended that the public schools observe the anniversary of the opening of the first Peace Congress at the Hague—May 18th, 1899—by a program of appropriate exercises. As the eighteenth of May occurs on Sunday this year we suggest that the exercises be held on either the Friday previous or the Monday following that date. Will all local superintendents and general officers of Unions having no superintendent, please take note of this and urge school officials in their localities to observe one of those days by an hour, more or less, in the interests of peace.

If printed suggestive programs are desired they can be obtained in pamphlet form with recitation pieces, for ten cents, or in leaflet form for five cents, at our home office, Winthrop Center, Maine. Sample copy free.

HANNAH J. BALLEW,  
National Superintendent.

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER.

Dear Comrades:

It is cheering to learn that Mrs. Anna McCrory, president of the Fourteenth District, is planning to have a local Institute in all her unions. These are to be conducted by our round the world missionary—Miss Alice Ruth Palmer—whom we are pleased to have as a resident of North Dakota. I believe nothing will add so much to the efficiency of the local work and workers, as these Institutes, and I wish every district would arrange for such institutes to be conducted by the speakers they are to have this summer or by the district officers.

I would like to know how many unions are carrying out the plans outlined in my last letter—working for increased membership to strengthen our forces, and beginning the suffrage campaign. We hope every union will report just what they are doing to the White Ribbon Bulletin.

Remember that the unit of our organization is the local union. Our success in every way depends upon the local unions. The state and district officers may make plans, but unless these plans are carried out by the local unions, there are no results. The finances of the state depend upon the local union. The state work can not be adequately carried on unless every union does its part. No more important work can be done by a local union than to generously support the state work and to see that state dues and pledges are promptly paid.

W. C. T. U. Day at North Chautauque, Devils Lake, will be Wednesday, July 2. Miss Edna Rowan, General Secretary of the L. T. L. Branch of the National W. C. T. U., and one of the most delightful of our younger speakers, will be the orator of the day. The Institute will begin July 1st and continue until the 11th.

Definite announcements of our work at Valley City and Mouse River Loop Chautauques will be given in the next number of the White Ribbon Bulletin. The Institute program for North Chautauque will probably be carried out at the other points.

Senator Gronna has introduced a bill providing for federal prohibition in the Territory of Hawaii. It will be a great blessing to that Territory if it passes. I have just received a letter from Mrs. Mary S. Whitney, President W. C. T. U. of Hawaii, asking us to use our influence for the passage of this measure. She says "The Hawaiians need the protection this bill offers, and so do the 5,000 soldiers stationed here and the whole community need it."

We are proud that a North Dakota Senator introduced this bill. Will you please write our Senators and Congressmen at once urging that the Gronna bill be passed.

My letter is brief this month to make way for other material.

Yours faithfully,  
ELIZABETH PRESTON ANDERSON.

To strengthen their contention the anti-suffragists appearing before the committee on elections in the assembly chamber Wednesday afternoon told how Phoebe Cousins, who was before the public eye more or less from twenty to forty years ago, had changed from an advocate of suffrage to an ardent opponent of the cause. This is true. But it is too bad they didn't go a little further for they could have added with truth that this same Phoebe abandoned every good cause for which she once stood, lost all the friends who once loved her and respected her for the good things she advocated and the last ten years of her life she sold the name and reputation she had acquired in advocating good things and became the paid lobbyist of the Anheuser-Busch brewery of St. Louis.—Wisconsin Journal.

## FROM MRS. WYLIE.

DEAR COMRADES:

With the return of spring, new activity is evident in our W. C. T. U. ranks. Work is being planned to cover as much of the state as possible. In the southeast corner, our round-the-world missionary, Rev. Alice R. Palmer, begins a tour of 14th district May 12th. Miss Palmer has already filled several appointments with much satisfaction and we feel thankful that her home is at present within our borders. In the northwestern corner, with Minot as headquarters, Rev. Nelle M. Osmon, who has recently been ordained in the Congregational church, begins work for us May 15. Miss Osmon will spend several weeks in Fourth and Fifth districts. Mrs. Julia D. Nelson expects to resume her field work soon, devoting her time at first to Fifteenth district. Passing through the state, Mrs. Lora S. LeMance will work under the direction of Mrs. Anderson. Miss Pearl Kirk has been busy all winter with medal contests and meeting with splendid success. At present she is finishing a series of contests out in Fifth district and other calls await her. A letter from her this evening from Epworth, tells of riding back and forth in the school wagon to the consolidated school while she is training a contest class at Belden. If possible, Miss Kirk will visit Chautauque in the interest of Y. P. B. work.

June promises to be a busy month. District conventions will held quite generally, Miss Edna Rowan, our national L. T. L. secretary, and Rev. Alice R. Palmer being the principal speakers. Miss Rowan will attend meetings in the northeastern and central part, and Miss Palmer those in the southeastern and central section. Later Miss Palmer expects to visit Tenth district and the southwestern corner of the state.

First District Convention will be held at Cando, June 4, 5 and 6. Second District at Minnewakan, June 23, 24 and 25. From Hinsdale, Mont., her present home, Mrs. M. A. Garry is planning for her district work and expects to spend the greater part of June in the state. Plans are not quite completed in Third Fourth and Fifth districts, but it is hoped that conventions may be held later. In Seventh district our work has been hindered because of the illness of our faithful worker, Mrs. J. G. Dryden of Stuart. We sincerely sympathize with her and hope for her restoration to health.

Ninth District Convention will be held in Daie, the home of the president, Mrs. Elma P. Coffield, who is planning for work at several other points.

The officers in Tenth, Eleventh and Twelfth districts are busy with plans not quite completed. Thirteenth district will meet in convention at Edgeley, the home of the president, Mrs. J. DuVall.

After Miss Palmer's field work, Fourteenth district should have a rousing convention.

Fifteenth district meets at Hope, June 19 and 20; Sixteenth at Gilby; Seventeenth at Park River; Eighteenth at Tyner. The latter will hold a Gold medal contest instead of having a speaker this year. The corresponding secretary hopes to attend conventions in Sixteenth and Eighteenth districts.

Miss Rowan begins her work June 1st at Grand Forks. She will be able to make several engagements beside convention dates, and those desiring her services should notify me at once. It is a rare privilege to have her with us and we should make the most of it. Especially should we make it count for our children and young people.

We remember with affectionate solicitude and prayer, our comrades beloved, who have gone through the valley of the shadow: Mrs. F. M. Wanner, whose noble husband was called to higher service April 10th; Mrs. R. B. Reed, who has been bereaved of her dear mother; and Miss Georgie Chambers, whose father was killed in an automobile accident.

"Not now, but in the coming years,  
It may be in the Better Land—  
We'll read the meaning of our tears  
And there, sometimes, we'll understand."

Yours in sympathy and service,  
BARBARA H. WYLIE,  
Drayton, N. D., April 29th, '13.

## L. T. L. COLUMN.

### DEAR LITTLE LEGIONERS:

Once upon a time there lived a little man who, every day, grew twenty-four hours older without becoming any larger. People would say: "Good morning, my little man!" which made him long to be tall and large like other men.

One day he decided to go to the shoemaker's and have high heels put on his shoes—that would make him taller. "Good morning, my little man," said the shoemaker, "what can I do for you?" Then he told him he wanted him to put high heels on his shoes so that people would stop calling him a little man. The shoemaker did as requested and when he had been paid for his work said: "Good-bye, my little man!"

The little gentleman took his leave greatly vexed with the shoemaker for not respecting his feelings. He called upon the inn-keeper feeling that he would open his eyes and greet him by another name. "Good morning, my little man," said the inn-keeper.

Finding his high heels did so little good he hurried out, and seeing a hat shop entered. "Good morning, my little man," said the hatter. "I want to buy a hat so tall that people will stop calling me a little man," replied our friend. When the hatter had received his money he said: "Good day, my little man."

Thinking it would be different at the inn now he hurried back, but the inn-keeper greeted him in his friendly way, "Good morning, my little man!"

Up and down the street he went, every one calling him little man. At last he thought, "What a dumb fellow I am! Who could expect common people like these to know anything? I will go up to the city and ask the governor. He knows everything."

On reaching the governor's house, the servant led him into the parlor, where there was a very large mirror. The governor listened to him kindly and then said: "Turn your back to this mirror; then look over your left shoulder and tell me what you see."

"I see nothing but myself," he answered.

"Do you see yourself larger than you are?"

"No, I see myself just as I am."

"Well," said the governor, "I have no doubt but that other people see you the same way. The only advice that I can give you is to have yourself measured till you have really grown larger, then people will stop calling you little. Good-bye, my little man."

I have seen some little men who could never grow any larger, no matter how often they measured themselves. These little men had tasted strong liquors and cigarettes when they were boys and it stunted their growth so they could not grow. In order to be strong boys who can grow into fine, manly men, King Alcohol and Prince Nicotine must forever be trampled under foot.

Mrs. Chas. Shaver, L. T. L. Supt. of 15th district, wrote the secretary the following interesting letter regarding the Fargo legion:

"The membership has increased, I think; at least we have a great many new ones. Some, however, have outgrown the legion, some have moved away and one has died. The new members are as enthusiastic as the old ones and there are quite a number out to the meetings.

"We meet in the homes every two week and always serve light refreshments.

"This winter Mrs. Paulson, the supt., has been reading two or three chapters of the book entitled: 'Three People'; a strong and very interesting temperance story. They are very anxious not to miss the meetings as they like to see how the story is developing.

"They have had one sleigh ride, when they went to Moorhead and gave their yell. Last summer they had a picnic at which they had a fine time.

"Two weeks ago about twenty of the legioners 'surprised' me. They brought

their lunch and we had a very jolly evening with music, games and general good time."

Let me continue to publish legion letters.

Two new manuals, "Temperance Tales for the L. T. L." and "A Handful of Hints" by Miss Christine Tingling, are now ready. They are unexcelled for clear, simple, teachable material. No one who teaches children, whether in Sunday school, public school or L. T. L., can afford to be without them. They can be had at National Headquarters for 10c each. The former manual is for teachers of younger children, and the latter for teachers of older children.

GEORGE CHAMBERS.

## NORTH DAKOTA ENFORCEMENT LEAGUE.

The legislature has adjourned and we are trying to adjust our work to the new legislation and the Webb law.

With the exception of the Liquor Inspection bill the temperance forces gained more than they started out for. The Bootlegger law is a drastic measure defining bootlegging and making it a felony and carrying a sentence of from six months to one year in the penitentiary. It covers most every kind of violation of the law. Work is the last thing the bootlegger wants to do, but if convicted, work he must. The states attorneys may now go during time when freight and express offices are open and without the trouble of a subpoena examine all records and easily discover who is getting liquors and in what amounts, and under the Webb law order the peace officers to seize all liquors intended to violate the law. This new law will work in well with the Webb law.

A gambling law is now on the statutes of North Dakota which perhaps leads all the states of the union as progressive legislation. The complaints come to our office about gambling joints where men are fleeced out of large amounts of money, and parents complain that whenever their children go in the business district they see gambling machines such as dice and money or cigar machines that tempt the children to gamble. Under this law any building where dice or any kind of gambling is carried on can be padlocked. Unless all gambling machines of every character are taken out by July 1st we will begin closing buildings. The North Dakota Enforcement League will enforce this law.

The governor now has the right to remove officials who will not enforce the law. Under this law I predict that some officials are going to get into trouble. Five citizens in the county can file the complaint and the governor must act. We predict that this law will have a very salutary effect. It ought to be sufficient to prove that states attorneys and peace officers allowed places to continue violating the law for a considerable period of time without starting action against them, when such fact was known to them. It will be up to the citizens to notify their officials of violations.

There was an effort to get some bills thru that would have weakened our prohibition law. Several bad druggist bills were killed in committee. Such legislation did not have much show with the present legislature.

F. L. WATKINS, Supt.

Some people work for measures the Woman's Christian Temperance Union champion—"when they feel like it," or "when they are not at summer resort," or if the weather is pleasant; but Jack's place and Tom's place are open day and night, seven days a week, 365 days in the year; and on leap year 366 days. The "soft drink" stands follow the same policy that the saloons followed. What we need is a zeal, a persistence, a determination that equals that of the evils which we oppose.

Banquets tendered Secretary Bryan in California were "dry" ones.

## FIELD NOTES.

14TH DISTRICT—As "ye scribe" was away at Bulletin time in March, we were glad Strum sent their news direct to the paper. We spent an afternoon in Oakes at a woman's prayer meeting at Mrs. Andrew's home, where at the close of a very spirited meeting the writer spoke briefly of the need of W. C. T. U. work as an aid to the gospel. We also greeted several White Ribbon friends present, including Mrs. S. D. Smith, lately returned from California, and took tea with Mrs. Ferber, president of their union. Tho not holding regular meetings then they were assisting at Mothers' Club meetings, using "American Motherhood" topics. They have 16 members and a good live Loyal Temperance Legion. Mrs. Ella Boise visited the union and gave an excellent and much appreciated account of the National Convention. Wyndmere reports 27 active members and three honoraries, having gained some this winter. They meet once a month, with a program for each meeting of the year, the last topic being "What of Our Boys?" Had a Memorial service in March—money sent to Willard Fund. They gave a "New England" supper in January, thus raising eleven dollars for the Rest Cottage at the county fair. The union voted 10c each for the Rescue Home at Chicago, a total of \$270. Members are fined 5c for not wearing the white ribbon, which money goes to the Crittenton Home at Fargo. Bowen has been studying the Young People's Branch booklets, "Alcohol and Health," finding much profit in their discussion at meetings. They visited the schools in their township this spring. Lidgerwood union's president has been caring for a wee granddaughter and three members have moved away we understand, but that all are true to the "ribbon white," and their power is felt whether home or abroad. Forman has ten members and usually meets alternate Saturdays. They observed Frances Willard Day and sent \$2 to Memorial Fund. They also observed Union Signal Day and ordered a year's subscription of the Union Signal for the acting president, Mrs. O. B. Johnson, also the monthly Campaign issue for the two resident ministers, Rev. S. J. Roes and Rev. S. Tollefson, both of whom are earnest temperance workers. A fine temperance program was given by the Sunday school in January, and in March Rev. Tollefson secured Rev. C. C. Williams of the N. D. Scandinavian Total Abstinence League for three lectures in Forman and vicinity. The death of Wm. Hurley, sr., March 1, removed from Forman a true friend of temperance, who was of much help to the early temperance workers of this part of the state, in his newspaper business at that time, and who published the first W. C. T. U. column in a Forman paper. Forman union entertained the district executive committee April 17, and held a union meeting at the Congregational church in the afternoon which was addressed by Rev. Alice R. Palmer, the round the world W. C. T. U. missionary, who is at present the Congregational pastor at Cayuga. Owing to the small attendance at executive committee it was decided that Rev. Palmer be given charge of local institute work thruout the district this summer, to strive for larger membership, instead of having a district convention. Having Miss Palmer already in the district as a pastor, this was deemed a rare chance to secure her talent and inspiration in the temperance cause.—Press Supt.

KINTYRE—Dear Bulletin: Nothing has been reported from the ninth district for a long time, but we are still on the map and ready for the next turn in the "campaign for a free America." The winter months have somewhat interfered with our regular meetings, but our pentup enthusiasm ought to find a ready outlet in various ways as outlined in the Bulletin and Union Signal. In June the district convention will meet with the union at Dale and if it will be as good as the one held here last year they are to be congratulated. Kintyre ex-

pects to be will represented as in addition to the delegate there will be several contestants for the Gold Medal Contest. Since our organization, less than two years ago, four medal contests have been held and two debates on Woman's Suffrage. A good many of our members take the Union Signal and over twenty subscriptions to the Campaign Edition have been sent in by the union. Much credit is due our devoted president, Mrs. Lane, who in spite of the distress attendant upon the loss of her home and practically all its contents, in January, by fire, has kept up intense interest in the work of the W. C. T. U., refusing to allow personal matters to interfere with the faithful discharge of her duties. She is ably assisted by a capable and faithful treasurer, Mrs. Minnie Pearson, besides several department superintendents. For a rural union we can boast of a large membership, and think how much we could do if all were as deeply interested. The Brad-dock News very courteously publishes any W. C. T. U. notes we contribute. Are there other press superintendents in this district? If so, we would be glad to hear from them thru these columns or otherwise.—Mrs. Hattie Lundquist, Press Supt.

FARGO SCANDINAVIAN W. C. T. U.—We are still marching on with a membership of 150 strong. Some come and some go. We held this past year, besides our regular meetings, one suffrage meeting. The program consisted of a debate on the suffrage question, between Rev. Scar, as negative, and Mr. Myrvold, editor of "Fram," as affirmative, also a number of vocal and instrumental pieces were rendered by our good musicians. Mr. Riley, Supt. of schools, spoke in favor of the suffrage question. About 80 people, both men and women, were present; refreshments were served. A Willard Memorial meeting was held in the 1st Norwegian Lutheran church, Rev. Forseth spoke on work of the W. C. T. U., Mrs. Wilder spoke on her trip to Washington, D. C., Mr. Myrvold spoke on the great work of the W. C. T. U. A number of selections on violin were given and the orchestra rendered several numbers. A meeting was held this month on Christian Citizenship, in Aaker's hall. One social meeting took place at the home of Mrs. J. M. Johnson. A meeting was held on the work of Temperance in Sunday Schools, Mrs. Snow spoke. Also one Mothers' meeting was held. We are now getting ready for a silver medal contest, with the help of Mrs. H. H. Aaker, who superintends the work. In the line of charity we have helped with money and distributing clothes and food among the needy, also visited the sick in hospitals and homes. We hope that in the coming year God may give us strength to double our work and do it for Christ's sake.—Mrs. I. H. Ulsaker, Supt. of Press.

HOPE—I was requested by our president, of the Hope W. C. T. U., to inform you of the interest and progress of this union. Our meetings are largely attended and much interest manifested by giving good programs, music and interest generally. The union consisted of 32 active members at beginning of 1913 and it has had an increase of 32 members this year, which now gives a membership of 64, and we wanted you and other unions to know what a good time we are having. The old members gave a banquet to the new members and husbands of the entire union, in parlors of the Methodist church, there being 125 plates served. After banquet a program was given which made a very delightful evening for all and one to be remembered in the history of Hope.

MANASSA—James and Ab. Bulger, keepers of a pool room, were found guilty of permitting minors and high school boys to frequent their place of business and play pool. The defendants were given a suspended sentence in addition to being required to pay the costs of trial.

Alkohol og alle ting af alkoholiak natur er skadelig for nervedinderne. Sit William Gull.

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W. C. T. U. Day, Wednesday, July 2.—"Medical Temperance. Why is this Subject of Paramount Importance in North Dakota at the Present Time?"

Thursday, July 3.—"Laws Passed by the Last Legislative Assembly. Which are of Special Interest to Temperance Workers."

Friday, July 4.—"Progress of Equal Suffrage. Plans for our Suffrage Campaign. General Discussion."

Saturday, July 5.—"Our Responsibility for the Training of the Young People in our Community. How to Organize a Loyal Temperance Legion and a Young Peoples' Branch."

Monday, July 7.—"The Webb Law. Its Effect on Prohibition States."

Tuesday, July 8.—"The Need of the W. C. T. U. as an Educational Force."

Wednesday, July 9.—"The Moving Picture Show. Its Dangers and Possibilities."

Thursday, July 10.—"The Need and Possibilities of Purity Work in the Public Schools."

Friday, July 11.—"Proper Home Attractions to Counteract Outside Attractions."

## AN OPPORTUNITY

The National Physical Education Department is offering a very favorable chance for physical betterment to our organization, in a course of five lessons by correspondence. This opportunity ought to be improved by every woman desiring better health and greater efficiency. The cost of the course is within the reach of all. The amount will be saved many times over, by doing away with the seeming necessity for drugs.

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Secretary of State Bryan, as is well known, has been a prohibition advocate for many years. On one occasion Mr. Bryan would have made it a national issue and it was due to his efforts that the prohibition legislation in Nebraska was put into effect. It is well known that Speaker Clark is a teetotaler and has been for a good many years. The fact that a good portion of the democratic majority in the Senate and House is from the South, where prohibition is general, makes certain the fact that there will be less drinking in Washington than in many years.—Tampa Tribune.

## ONE MICHIGAN WOMAN'S VIEW

A number of Michigan women, including Mrs. Caroline Bartlett Crane, sent us press clippings of the letter from the secretary of the Liquor Dealers' Association offering to pay for the publication of the anti's appeal. The most touching of the communications that came with the clipping was from a poor widow. For years we had known of her as a tireless distributor of suffrage leaflets, finding many ingenious ways to scatter them, as she travelled about Michigan earning her living; and she still sends The Woman's Journal more press clippings than any other one person.

The day after election, she sent us a pen and ink sketch of a tombstone with an inscription announcing that Anti-Suffrage had been killed for all future time by the proof of its complicity with liquor. She writes:

"The Anti's have themselves hung. Long ago Archbishop Ireland said, 'Strike at the liquor traffic, and you will find every other vice sheltering behind it.' It is equally true, Strike at the anti-suffragists, and you will always find the saloon keepers, dive keepers, white slavers and gamblers hiding behind them. The mask is off in Michigan. The anti's can never again deny their alliance with the liquor interests and their attendant vices. It has been proved so plainly here that the duller person can not help seeing it. Whether we win or lose, one thing the Michigan suffragists have done—they have torn the mask off the anti's. Glory be! This makes me feel ten years younger. I believe it will cure me.

"I suppose you some times wonder how a person like me, so poor that I cannot even pay for my Woman's Journal, an inmate of the Wayne County poorhouse, can send you so many clippings from different papers. This is a large institution. There are many officials, doctors, nurses and employees here, as the farm contains about five hundred acres. Most of these persons take newspapers, and give them to the inmates after they are through with them. In that way I get papers from all over Michigan. This house allows each inmate a small amount of postage per week. So, poor as I am, I can still do a little in this way for a cause for which I would gladly do so much."

The following day she wrote:

"The Detroit papers all say that the suffrage amendment has been decisively defeated. Having worked in the suffrage cause whenever and wherever I have been able for the past 39 years, I have learned to look below the surface. The anti's are proudly proclaiming that they have defeated Votes for Women. In one of Esop's fables the fly on the cart-wheel thought he made the wheel turn around. That is just the position of the anti's in Michigan today. They rode into success on the organized liquor traffic, which worked as it had never worked before, and poured out money like water.

"Minnie Bronson and other speakers were denying on the public platform that the anti's had any connection with the liquor traffic, at the same time that the Retail Liquor Dealers' Association was paying for anti-suffrage advertising in papers all over the state. The liquor dealers say so themselves, over their own signatures. They are honest, at least in that respect. They do not lie about it, as the anti's have. But this has killed the anti's as a separate, independent, moral and high-toned society. Henceforward they will go into state campaigns with the liquor dealers' label on them.

"The only reason why the liquor traffic did not defeat us last fall is that they did not think there was any danger of suffrage winning. Michigan has long been regarded as a sort of hopeless state by suffragists, as it is one of the oldest, wealthiest, and most conservative states of the Middle West, largely settled by Germans. About three weeks before election, the liquor organization waked up to the fact that there was

really danger of 'Votes for Women' winning. Then they got busy, but they came into the game too late. Suffrage did win here last November, but the liquor traffic cheated us out of it by fraud at the ballot-box. Here is the whole thing in a nutshell: The organized liquor traffic, rich, powerful, arrogant, rules in Ohio, Wisconsin and Michigan. The people of these states do not rule; the people can have only what measures and laws the liquor organization is willing they should have."

The people of all those states will yet come into their own. But it is interesting to remember that, when Mrs. A. J. George was asked at a meeting in Michigan only a few weeks ago, "Why do the liquor interests oppose women suffrage?" she answered unblushingly, "They do not." No doubt she and others will continue to deny it; but it will be harder after this for them to make their denial believed. A. S. B.—Woman's Journal.

## TAKE YOUR WIVES ALONG

After half a century had passed without the adoption of an amendment to the U. S. Constitution, two have now been adopted in quick succession. It had been looked upon as practically impossible to get an amendment passed, so great were the difficulties in the way. Now it has been shown to be perfectly possible to get the Legislatures of 36 states to take the needed action. For states now living—perhaps even persons no longer living—will see the passage of an amendment to the National Constitution forbidding disfranchisement on account of sex.

The latest amendment, providing for the popular election of U. S. Senators, is an expression of men's widespread dissatisfaction with "indirect influence." The voters had an enormous influence over the legislators who elected the U. S. Senators. They had not only the personal and social influence which is supposed to be enough for women, but a strong political influence as well. The voters were not only the fathers, brothers, sons and neighbors of the legislators; they were their constituents. They had put them into office, and could turn them out at the end of their term if dissatisfied with them. Yet all this influence, indirect and direct, did not always avail to keep Legislatures from misrepresenting their constituents, and sending to the U. S. Senate men who were looked upon as tools of the great corporate monopolies and enemies of the public good. The Senate came to be called "the graveyard of reforms." So strong and general became the demand for change that 36 State Legislatures have reluctantly stripped themselves of the power to choose U. S. Senators, and the National Constitution now vests that power in the male citizens at large.

Now, in all good nature, we would put the question to men who believe in the Golden Rule. If men were not satisfied with indirect representation through legislators over whom they held the power of political life or death, can they reasonably expect women to be satisfied with a representation so far more indirect and vague—a sort of general supposition that all the men of the State always represent all the women; and nobody questions that men mean well by women; and nobody seriously questions that women love their husbands and sons as well as men love their wives and daughters. Yet the papers every Christmas abound in jokes about the incongruous presents that women pick out for their men folk—and especially their vain efforts to choose a satisfactory box of cigars. One of the magazines the other day told of a woman who went to a big department store and asked to see men's neckties. "Madam," answered the clerk, politely, "I am sorry, but it is against our rule to show men's neckties to ladies unaccompanied by their husbands." If good intentions alone do not enable a woman to pick out the necktie

## DOING.

Not what I have, but what I do, is my kingdom. To each of us is given a certain inward talent, a certain outward environment of fortune; to each of us, by wisest combination of these two, a certain maximum of capability.—Thomas Carlyle.

or the brand of cigars that will suit a man, good intentions alone may not always enable men to pick out the brand of legislation or of legislator that will suit the women. In the enfranchised States, nominating conventions now have to take into account some additional qualifications, in choosing a candidate who can be expected to carry the popular vote; and it has proved a very good thing.

Men have demanded and secured the right to choose their U. S. Senators themselves, instead of having their representatives do the choosing for them. Henceforward they will get their Senators in the open market. Now let them amend the constitution once more, and plan to take their wives along, as they would in choosing furniture for a house in which they were both to live, or in any other matter of joint and mutual concern. A. S. B.—Woman's Journal.

## A "DRY" ADMINISTRATION

The Wilson administration will be "dry." This expression is used entirely in a sense that appeals to the inner man of the nation's executive and not necessarily those who look for stereotyped form of government. It became known that President Wilson and his family are averse to the use of liquor or wine in any form. Intoxicating liquors will have no place in the White House during the next four years unless the president's views undergo a sharp change.

To an old negro elder in Carolina, who left eight children, three of them ministers, the newspaper paid the following quaint tribute: His worn-out frame of eighty-two years is tonight reposing in the grave, but he shines out in three pulpits on three model farms, in two devout daughters, and in an improved community." An enviable summary, surely.

An opinion is worth no more than what is behind it. An opinion based on adequate investigation and demonstration is worth more than ten thousand opinions based merely upon tradition and prejudice. One opinion that stands for something vital can put to flight an army of ten thousand opinions of traditional prejudice.—Dr. A. E. Winslip.

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