



"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH."

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HONOR TO THE LOSERS.

Discouraged? Nay, never a whit!
We stand in the storm and the night;
But the torch of the truth being lit,
What wind shall extinguish it quite?
East, west, north and south may combine

'Gainst the flame that we kindled with care;
Serenely, no less, it shall shine—
Who said that defeat was despair?

Shall we swerve for the thorns in the track?

On, on, though they pierce us and rend!
Seek our wounds on the breast, not the back,

In the field where we fight to the end!
We fail not and faint not, nor fly;
Who wars for the Right, for the True,
Has the future for friend and ally;
Has Time and Eternity, too.

It may be that, scattered and scarred,
We carry away through the night
Some sense that the battle was hard,
Some weariness born of the fight.
Yet, true to the cause we would serve
With the truth that such cause may beft,

Not a heart that will shrink, that will swerve—
Discouraged? Nay, never a whit!
—White Ribbon Ensign.

FROM FRANCHISE SUPT.

Hope, No. Dak., April 14, 1915.

Dear Sisters:

I hope every member of the W. C. T. U. read every word of the April Bulletin, if she did she is thoroly posted on the suffrage question in North Dakota.

Mrs. Anderson's letter was so full of facts, so concise, that we could all read and understand just where we stand, just who are our friends and just who are our foes, in this great conflict for right and justice.

I cannot add one iota to the subject more than has been said. I can only urge every woman in our ranks to gird on the armor a little tighter, and fight until our foes are put to rout, which event will come, if we but "learn to labor and to wait."

Mrs. Wiley told you about the suffrage essay contest work in the same number—April. I hope you have taken note of that thought, it is worthy of your attention—while it is late for this school year's work, it is none too early for next year's work.

It takes some people a long while to adopt new lines and methods of work, to realize the importance of certain work, so let us begin, and talk, and talk suffrage essays until every member in your union will know all about the contest work, and anxious to have the work taken up in their schools—whether rural or city schools.

The same rules are used in this work as in the Scientific Temperance contests, except that no prize

has been offered by the National. The state W. C. T. U. will pay \$8.00 for the best essay from high schools and \$5.00 for the best essay from the grades.

I will be glad to answer any letters asking for information, along this line, at any time.

Convention time is near. Do not overlook this subject, suffrage, in planning your programs. Be sure and have some phase of the question presented during your convention institute. Then plan for a suffrage medal contest. It is a most excellent way of bringing the subject before the public. Let us do our best in this strnggle, and in doing so, know that some future day others will reap where we have sown. Let us work well.

Yours for service,
MRS. ELLA M. SHIPPY.

MEDAL CONTEST ITEMS.

The Fargo L. T. L. held a double silver medal contest March 4, this is the first contest conducted by an L. T. L. of the state this year.

Rolla W. C. T. U. held a very successful musical and oratorical contest March 18. The proceeds were \$36.10.

An interesting matron's contest was held by the Fargo Scandinavian Union in the Nor. Baptist church. The medal was won by Mrs. O. J. Herreid. Receipts from the contest \$15.95.

The contest held by the St. John union was well patronized and contestants did well. It was the first appearance for them in this line of work.

Napoleon union held their second contest for this year April 9, in the M. E. church, and are busy planning for another soon.

A medal contest was part of the program for the W. C. T. U. Institute held at Galesburg. Receipts from this contest \$26.85.

The contest was repeated at Clifford, April 10. Josephine Paulson and Ruth Satron were the winners. Their selections were "The Moderate Plan" and "The Bridal Wine Cup."

Six unions have sent in the names of their contest superintendents this month: St. John, Mrs. O. E. Wheaton; Beldon, Mrs. Lillis Jarrell; Forest River, Mrs. K. J. MacInnes; Grand Forks, Mrs. Elizabeth L. Baughman; LaMoure, Mrs. T. H. Benjamin; Fargo L. T. L., Mrs. A. W. Paulson; 5th district, Mrs. Rosanna Duffy Campbell, Stanley. We now have seven district contest superintendents.

Every district should be planning to hold a gold medal suffrage contest at their convention so as to send a contestant to Carrington in September for the Grand Gold Suffrage contest.

EMMA LOCKWOOD,
State Supt. Medal Contests.

SUFFRAGE PRIZE ESSAY CONTESTS.

HIGH SCHOOL CONTESTS.

In a contest for the high school prize, a local contest is first held and the winning essay is held for a district contest. If there is no district contest the prize essay is forwarded directly to the state superintendent of suffrage, who enters it in a state competition for a state prize.

General Subject: Woman Suffrage and the Liquor Interests.

Special Themes: Why Women Should Have the Ballot; Why Women Want to Vote; Why Working Women Need the Ballot; What Effect Has Woman's Vote on the Liquor Question? What a Woman's Vote Would Do; Results of Equal Suffrage.

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 is known as the State Prize and is eight dollars.

GRADE SCHOOL CONTESTS.

In a contest in the grades, every child in the room chosen is expected to write on one of the subjects. The teacher decides upon the best ten essays. A local contest is held and a local prize awarded to the writer of the best essay. In the larger cities a second contest may be held between the different wards and a local prize awarded. The prize essay of the city is then entered for the district prize or else forwarded to the state superintendent of suffrage for competition in the state prize essay contest.

General Subject: Woman's Ballot and the Home.

Special Themes: Why Equal Suffrage Has Been a Success; How Woman's Ballot Will Help the Children; Why Woman do not Vote; Equal Suffrage and Intemperance.

Markings: Essays shall be graded one-half on subject matter, one-fourth on style and grammatical excellence, and one-fourth on appearance of paper, which shall include penmanship and spelling.

Number of Words: The maximum number of words shall be six hundred and the minimum three hundred.

The prize is known as the State Prize and is five dollars.

All prize essays should be in the hands of the state superintendent, Mrs. Ella M. Shippy, Hope, N. D., by the middle of August each year. No essays will be accepted in printed form.

Lord, may we humbly walk with Thee. From sin and self may we be free. Guide Thou our footsteps in the way, That we may do Thy will each day.

FAIRS AND OPEN AIR MEETINGS

Fairmount, N. D., Apr. 6, '15.

Dear Sisters:

As the snow has disappeared and the warm spring days will soon be here we should begin making plans for our Open Air Meetings. Let every union plan to hold at least three. Have two or more speakers. Always plan to have one speak on suffrage. I know of several men who were converted to suffrage last summer at our Open Air Meetings in Fairmount. About three hundred listened to Mrs. Shepard and almost as many to Mrs. Weible and Mrs. Hall. Had the meetings been held in the church less than three dozen would have attended. Have plenty of literature on suffrage and temperance, and see that it reaches every home. Advertise your meeting well. Don't be afraid to put it in the local paper and have it announced in the churches. Meet the speakers and see that they are well cared for. At each Open Air Meeting try and secure new members. Always take a collection for the work. Plan to have rest rooms, a nursery, check rooms, etc., at every fair: distribute literature, secure new members, take subscriptions for the Union Signal, Crusader and the Woman's Journal.

Be sure and report all work that you do, amount of money raised, new members gained, pages of literature distributed, etc. I would like to hear from every union that will hold an Open Air Meeting.

Yours for service,
IDA SPARKS CLARKE,
State Supt.

JAMESTOWN Y. P. B. ORGANIZED.

As a direct result of the work of Mrs. Linnie Carl in Jamestown three weeks ago, a Young People's branch of the W. C. T. U., has been organized. The Y. P. B. is in some respects a reproduction of the parent W. C. T. U. It differs in regard to convention privileges, the standing of male members and the dues which are 50c instead of \$1.00.

The organization took place in Rev. Anderson's home with Mrs. Anderson presiding temporarily. Sixteen charter members were enrolled and officers elected.

The cabinet consisting of all the officers met last Tuesday evening and planned the immediate work of the organization whose first meeting was held April 13, at 8 o'clock at the home of Rev. Anderson. All the young people were invited to attend this meeting and join the "branch" if possible. When the young people put their shoulders to the wheel, the temperance enthusiasm is bound to go forward.

Y. P. B. Press Report.

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PLEDGE—I hereby solemnly promise, God helping me, to abstain from all alcoholic liquors as a beverage, including wine, beer and cider, and to employ all proper means to discourage the use of and traffic in the same.

All manuscript for publication must be in my hands on the 1st of each month. Send all communications to
Mrs. R. M. Pollock,
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National Goal for 1915—50,000 New Members.

State Goal for 1915—1,000 New Members.

Read carefully the rules for Suffrage Prize Essay Contest and then consider favorably the holding of one or more such contests in your union. It is up to the W. C. T. U. of North Dakota to foster and make sentiment. Remember, could the votes have been counted, as were the votes on other amendments, equal suffrage would have had a majority last November. The political trickery of the last legislature may never be repeated.

CALL FOR SCHOOL PEACE DAY, OR HAGUE DAY.

The Peace Day for Schools (May 18), often called "Hague Day," will also be the birthday of Mrs. Carman, our able national superintendent of medal contests. I suggest that as many peace medal contests as possible be held on that day or evening. Programs can be secured and also medals and a new up-to-date Peace "Reciter" from Mrs. Carman. Address 5453 Winthrop avenue, Chicago. I trust the day will be observed in all practical ways by local unions in all the states.

HANNAH J. BAILEY,
Supt. National Peace Department.

NATIONAL CONSTITUTIONAL PROHIBITION PLANS FOR MAY.

1. At the institutes and county conventions that are being held during the month of May, plan for an address and a symposium or discussion on the subject of National Constitutional Prohibition.
2. Get your local papers to publish brief arguments in favor of nationwide prohibition by senators, members of congress, governors and other prominent men.
3. Bring to the attention of the people in your community the necessity of electing to congress and to your state legislature men who are outspokenly for National Constitutional Prohibition.

Send to the National W. C. T. U., Publishing House, Evanston, Ill., for the new Prohibition Map, price, 15 cents each; two for 25 cents) to display at all public meetings as proof of the progress toward nationwide prohibition.

Envelopes for subscriptions to the Lillian Stevens campaign fund have been prepared by the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union. These envelopes are to be furnished to the states at cost, to be sent by them free to every local union agreeing to place them in the hands of all members and as many others as possible, with the suggestion and hope that in March every local union should send a contribution to this fund, averaging ten cents per member. This money should be sent through the regular W. C. T. U. channels.

Pledges should be paid to W. C. T. U. treasurer within thirty days. Contributors of \$1 or more will receive for one year the campaign edition of the Union Signal, the price of the paper (25 cents) being deducted before funds are divided between the State and National W. C. T. U.

The revised leaflet descriptive of the Lillian Stevens campaign fund can be secured at National W. C. T. U. headquarters and should be widely distributed.

Note—Send to National W. C. T. U., Publishing House for National Constitutional Quiz for use in symposiums and discussions. Arguments for National Constitutional Prohibition, to be used in the papers, can be secured from back numbers of Union Signal, especially those reporting hearing in congress last December.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER.

DEAR COMRADES:—

It is difficult to express the keen sense of personal loss I feel in the death of Mrs. Clara L. Darrow, President North Dakota Votes for Women League. In our work for suffrage in the last two legislative assemblies, and in the recent campaign, I had the privilege of working in close touch with her, and learned to greatly admire and love her. She was a gentlewoman in the truest sense of the word, always, under most trying circumstances, a lady. She had wonderful poise, calmness, charity and tolerance, with a vein of rich humor and keen Irish wit, that made her a most delightful companion. There seemed to be absolutely nothing small or petty about her. The cause of woman's enfranchisement was everything to her, and she was ready at all times to efface herself or to be placed in the limelight, so the cause was helped. As a leader she asked of none of her followers the full measure of devotion and self sacrifice that she herself was giving. A woman of wealth, culture and refinement, having a beautiful home with every comfort, she toured the state by automobile and train, worked at the state capital, endured hardships and made light of them, for the sake of the women of North Dakota. Knowing something of her physical condition and of what the work and strain were costing her, I marveled at the spirit in which she met the hard work, the difficulties, the perplexities, and discouragements. After all her labor and sacrifice, when the cause of woman suffrage, in the last legislature, was sold out and bartered for political purposes, whatever she may have suffered, she held herself with the same beautiful calmness. She was a rare leader, and we shall not soon see her like again. Her going is an immeasurable loss to the cause, but I have faith to believe that the women and men of North Dakota will rally as never before to the cause for which she so heroically gave her life.

Our deepest sympathy goes to her distinguished husband, Dr. E. M. Darrow; her daughters, Mrs. R. E. Weible and Mrs. Elizabeth O'Neal and to her splendid sons, all of whom were in thorough sympathy with her in her great work.

Encouraging reports come to me of local institutes in the First, Ninth, Fifteenth and Sixteenth Districts. I hope every district president will see that her unions have the benefit of these helpful, educational meetings. It does not take a prophet to predict that the districts making the largest gains in membership will be the districts holding the greatest number of institutes. May is a good month in which to push the local institute work, and this work will contribute much to the interest and inspiration of the district conventions to follow in June.

May and June are the best working months left before our state convention. What you plan to do before the close of the W. C. T. U. year, ought, if possible, to be done at this favorable time. If you haven't had a membership contest, this is the time; if you haven't held a local institute, do it now; if dues are not all collected and sent to the state treasurer, do not wait until members are scattered for the summer, but if necessary appoint a committee to assist the local treasurer, and round up this important work. The treasurer informs me that there are unions that have not yet paid a pledge for state work. Of course you intend to do it, why not now?

We must make a special effort and bend our energies toward reaching our goal of one thousand new members, and while doing this we must not forget to HOLD every member. The old members as well

as the new, must be looked after and their dues collected, or our losses will offset our gains.

Is your union planning and working to be a premium union and receive special honors at the state convention. A gain of one hundred per cent entitles the president of your union or her representative to receive the decoration of the red ribbon. A gain of fifty per cent entitles the president of your union or her representative to receive the decoration of the blue ribbon.

I am writing this letter at the beautiful farm home of our treasurer, Mrs. Salmons. Her home and farm have all the modern improvements, even to water and gas lights in the barn and fine hog house. She is proving that a devoted white ribboner can also be a very successful farmer.

We expected to have a meeting of the state general officers here tomorrow, but it has been postponed on account of the illness of Mrs. Wylie's mother, Mrs. Halcrow. We hope this noble and gracious "Mother in Israel," to whom we owe so much for the daughters she has given our work, will soon be enjoying her usual health.

The Cando union gave me a very delightful reception at the home of Representative W. L. Noyes. I expect to have the pleasure of meeting with the Bethel union tomorrow.

Yours sincerely and affectionately,
ELIZABETH PRESTON ANDERSON,
Cando, N. D., April 27, 1915.

FACTS FOR W. C. T. U. WOMEN.

By Deborah Knox Livingston.

Do You Know—

That the Department of Franchise was adopted by the National W. C. T. U. in 1882 with Mrs. Mary Clement Leavitt of Boston as its superintendent?

Do You Know—

That in 1876 Miss Willard made her first speech in Philadelphia in favor of the ballot for woman "as a weapon of protection from the tyranny of drink?"

Do You Know—

That at the National Convention held at Newark, New Jersey, in 1876, Miss Willard spoke on suffrage "against the tearful pleading of her friends that she should not do so?"

Do You Know—

That in 1883 the first resolution for the full ballot for woman was passed by the National Convention which was held in Detroit, Michigan? This is the text of that resolution: "As the strength of the liquor traffic is in the law protecting it, and law is the result of sentiment expressed by the ballot, we, therefore, recognize it to be the Christian and patriotic duty of women to bend their energies toward securing the ballot to the end of crystallizing their sentiment into law that shall protect the home from the encroachment of its enemies."

Do You Know—

That the National W. C. T. U. Convention has been passing similar resolutions every year since 1883?

Do You Know—

That the greatest opposition to the granting of the ballot to women comes from the legalized liquor traffic?

Do You Know—

That in every state where women have the vote they have reduced the saloons by the hundred?

Do You Know—

That the power of the ballot is not only a great responsibility, but gives the blessed opportunity to do those things which make for righteousness, joy and peace?

As a true white ribboner you believe in the Declaration of Principles of which one is: "We believe that God created both man and woman in His own image, and, therefore, we believe in one standard of purity for both men and women and in the equal rights of all to hold opinions and to express the same with equal freedom."

In view of these facts, we appeal to every loyal W. C. T. U. woman to help in every way to secure the ballot for herself and for every other woman on equal terms with men.

FROM MRS. WYLIE.

Dear Comrades:

The time for district conventions draws near and preparations are being made for interesting meetings. Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Wilder will be available as speakers, also Mrs. Bowers, when meetings are held in line with her itinerary. The following dates for conventions have been reported:

- First District—at Calvin, June 2, 3 and 4.
- Second District—at New Rockford, in August.
- Fifth District—probably at Ray.
- Fifteenth District—at Hillsboro, May 19 and 20.
- Sixteenth District—Inkster, last week in May.
- Seventeenth District—Forest River, June 24 and 25.
- Eighteenth District—Pembina, June 22.

We should like to hear at once, from the others, that there be no confusion in dates.

Mrs. Bowers has just organized a local union at Berthold of which Mrs. E. S. Petry is president, Mrs. B. H. Pond, secretary and Mrs. W. E. Tucker, treasurer. Previously she organized at McGregor with Mrs. J. D. Sullivan, president; Mrs. A. F. Blume, secretary and Mrs. J. J. Lynch, treasurer; also at Wildrose with Mrs. A. E. Palmer, president; Mrs. Chas. Teske, secretary and Mrs. S. N. Nesting, treasurer.

A union has been organized at Wing, but names of officers have not been received. At Bowdon the new officers' names are, president, Mrs. Zora Svendsgaard; secretary, Mrs. G. C. Rode; treasurer, Mrs. Ed. Halsten.

It was a rare privilege to have in the state for nine days, April 17-25, Mrs. Edith Smith Davis, head of the department of Scientific Temperance investigation for the World's and National W. C. T. U. Mrs. Davis spoke before most of the colleges and normal schools and at the state university. She also lectured in the evening and spoke several times on Sunday, giving in all 19 addresses and reaching some 9,000 people. The teachers were greatly interested and new avenues of truth opened to them. The work done by Mrs. Davis was highly satisfactory and we feel sure the results will be far-reaching.

In response to an oft-repeated request, the National W. C. T. U. has prepared a pretty fan, on one side of which, in white letters on a blue background, are the words "Protect our American youth by prohibiting the liquor traffic." On the other side is the latest prohibition map, with the time of adoption of prohibition by the various states. These fans sell at the rate of 3 dozen for \$1.00 and may be had upon application to the corresponding secretary.

Yours faithfully,
BARBARA H. WYLIE.
Drayton, N. D., Apr. 29, '15.

CHEER UP.

As weary with pain on the bed I lay,
'Twas at the close of a long hard day,
A dear little bird flew up on the sill
And called in "Cheer up," with merry good will.

It was only a little gray sparrow I know
For they stay right with us the whole winter thro,
In spite of their hunger, the snow and the chill,
They nod at us gayly and call "Cheer up" still.

That day I had been so discouraged and blue,
But I answered "Dear birdie, that's just what I'll do,"
And now every morning I listen and thrill
At the sound of that "Cheer up," so pleasant and shrill.
—Olavine Moe Roberts.

FIELD NOTES.

GRAND FORKS—Grand Forks Union cheerfully reports renewed enthusiasm for the year 1915 in the battle for woman's suffrage and the annihilation of the liquor traffic. Polk county, Minn., in which East Grand Forks is situated, just across the river from Grand Forks, is to have a county option campaign this spring and we are expecting to help make the county dry. Prohibition in East Grand Forks means a long stride forward for better things in our city. It was a great disappointment to the advocates of woman's suffrage here and especially to the white ribboners of Grand Forks not to be granted the franchise. We did what we could, and left nothing undone that presented itself, in the form of writing letters, sending telegrams and enlisting the men of our city to do the same, that strong pressure on our legislators would bring about the desired legislation. A public mass meeting in the city auditorium, 1,500 people present, unanimously passed a resolution condemning the North Dakota senate for smothering the suffrage bill. Night letters were sent at this time, to five legislators from this part of the state, demanding justice, and fair treatment of the bill. Thus far in 1915 the following red letter days have been observed: Mothers' Day, Frances Willard Memorial Day, Union Signal Day, Neal Dow's Birthday, with a National Constitutional Prohibition program. A Lillian M. N. Stevens Memorial Day was observed. A very nice program with a large attendance, which we always have for all our red letter days. In fact all our meetings are well attended. A Sunday evening Frances Willard public service was held in one of the churches. The W. C. T. U. attended as an organization, the church was filled; a splendid address on the life of Miss Frances Willard was given by Rev. A. H. Thompson. Since January we have held two pastry sales and had two public socials. The first public social was called a Convention Social. Among the interesting features on the program was a report from the National Convention at Atlanta, Georgia, given by our president, Mrs. A. D. Baughman, who was a delegate to that convention. This highly instructive and entertaining account of the going trip to the convention and interesting phases of the convention was pronounced excellent by all who heard it. Mrs. Baughman is to entertain us at a future social with a further account of incidents of the convention and return trip. We are favored to have a worker among us so willing to make the necessary sacrifice to attend a National Convention and so graciously give a lucid report. We wish all our white ribboners and temperance friends, could have the inspiration that comes from having the convention brought so vividly to them by such a splendid presentation of its activities. We have had the pleasure of hearing Mrs. Linnie Carl of Portland, Ore., field secretary of the Y. P. B. Mrs. Carl spoke three times the Sunday she was in Grand Forks. She was well received and gave a splendid address. Pledge signing and a good collection were some of the good things she accomplished here.

GRAND FORKS SCANDINAVIAN—Dear Comrades of the North Dakota Woman's Christian Temperance Union: I am very glad every time I get the White Ribbon Bulletin to see that the temperance movement is coming nearer and nearer. God has been with us this year. When we see the many states and towns that are going dry—what a joy for so many homes that have been suffering from this terrible evil. The words of the 31st Chap. of Proverbs have strong meaning in these days: It is not for kings, O Lemuel, it is not for kings to drink wine; nor for princes strong drink. Let them drink and forget the law, and pervert the judgment of any of the afflicted. And that is what Christ

thought when he gave the disciples his flesh and blood, take this, remember me. I hope that God will open the eyes of our ministers—not to give strong wine at the communion. The Scandinavian W. C. T. U. is doing good work. We observed Frances E. Willard Memorial Day. A good program was rendered, refreshments were served and a neat sum of money taken in for the memorial fund. I see by the paper that Mrs. J. E. Stevens, one of our beloved workers, has gone to St. Paul. I hope that God will be with her in her noble work. Well I will now close my letter with best wishes to the Bulletin readers and the editor.—Your sister in the work, Mrs. Anna P. Halvorson, Supt. Unfermented Wine and Evangelistic Work.

HOPE—The Hope union has held particularly interesting meetings the last few months and have made special efforts in some of the departments. On Feb. 16th the members gave a Willard Memorial Social with a program suitable to such an occasion. Light refreshments were served and the receipts for the evening were nearly five dollars. They also held a W. C. T. U. Institute on March 16th, which proved to be very instructive. Many excellent papers were read and talks given. Representative Lathrop spoke on Recent Legislature and the Suffrage Question, after which he was given the white ribbon salute, for doing what he only termed "his duty" during the recent session of the legislature. Mrs. Wilder was also with us, and gave us much inspiration by her enthusiastic talks. At present the members are busy making quilts for the Florence Crittenton Home in Fargo. We have not had a membership contest this year but we have taken in several new members, so we feel that we are making a steady and sure gain.—Mrs. R. J. Washburn, Press Supt.

ANTLER—I have never seen the Antler W. C. T. U. mentioned in the Bulletin, not even in the state dues, also they are paid regularly, but perhaps it is the fault of the union not to make ourselves publicly known, but on reading a report from Mercer of a new union, and the Frances E. Willard exercises they reported I that I would tell something about our small union in this distant part of North Dakota. We also had memorial day exercises, which were very good, we also served refreshments and took a collection, which amounted to the solicited \$2.00 for the memorial fund. We have had a very good mothers' meeting, and we hope to accomplish something in the struggle of upholding the standard of right and of the overthrow of evil. We are also taking up Sabbath Observance quite largely.—Yours in the work, Mrs. R. Wright, Pres.

VALLEY CITY—The Scandinavian W. C. T. U. held a Frances Willard membership contest with Mrs. S. S. Aas and Mrs. E. Andersen as captains. Mrs. Aas was in the lead with 16 new members, and Mrs. Andersen close after with 14. On February 17 a reception was held in the Free Lutheran church, for the new as well as the old members. Mrs. Aas got up the literary program and Mrs. Anderson and her helpers served refreshments. Besides good songs and music Pastor Anderson and Pastor Jorgensen were the speakers of the evening. Since then two new members have been added to the union and we are still hoping for more to follow. We feel very elated over the success of our first membership contest. Yours truly, Mrs. O. Brudevold, Cor. Sec.

ROLLA—The W. C. T. U. Institute held by Mrs. Edna Salmons of Cando, Thursday, March 18, was a success. A large number of the ladies attended and much information was given to the local union. In the evening a double silver medal contest was held. Miss Josephine Deruch winning the medal for singing and Miss Edna Hesketh for declamation. The entertainment was excellent and well attended. Our union received a little over thirty-six dollars for our work.—Mrs. Annie Hesketh.

FACTS FOR BUSY WOMEN.

- Do You Know—
- That there are 376,635 women teachers and professors in the United States?
- Do You Know—
- That there are 7,399 women physicians and surgeons in the United States?
- Do You Know—
- That there are 239,077 women clerks, accountants and stenographers in the United States?
- Do You Know—
- That there are 7,395 women in the ministry in the United States?
- Do You Know—
- That there are 1,010 women lawyers in the United States?
- Do You Know—
- That there are 2,193 women journalists in the United States?
- Do You Know—
- That there are 770,055 women engaged in agricultural pursuits in the United States?
- Do You Know—
- That these women need the ballot in their professions and in their trades? Some of them have it, but all of them need it?
- Do You Know—
- That since women have had the ballot in Colorado, Arizona, Washington and Oregon these states have passed prohibitory constitutional amendments?
- Do You Know—
- That in every state where women have the ballot they have raised the age of consent?
- Do You Know—
- That the ballot is the most direct means to secure the reforms which society is seeking today in the abolition of the drink traffic, the traffic in women, the exploiting of children in industrial life and the securing of equal pay for equal work?
- Do You Know, Busy Woman, That You Need the Ballot?—Deborah Knox Livingston.

Under the Webb-Kenyon Bill the Adams Express Company was fined \$75 for shipping liquor into prohibition territory by the Kentucky Court of Appeals.

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**FACTS AND FIGURES ILLUSTRATE
W. C. T. U. WORK AT THE
PANAMA EXPOSITION.**

SAN FRANCISCO, April 5.—The organization must have had a friend at court, for it has been given a fine corner in the Palace of Education and its display has been arranged with great skill and perspicuity.

THE WAR POSTERS.

Prominent in the exhibit is the array of war posters which are being imported daily from London and which show in a way that Americans have not realized, with all the newspaper gossip, how vitally the liquor question in England is affecting the war. These posters attract great attention, for in a way they are especially authoritative on conditions at the seat of hostilities. As they are shown here in this exhibit they constitute one of the most vital arguments for the abolition of the saloon, not only in England, but in all the world, ever advanced.

There are two barrels at the entrance to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union exhibit which attract the attention of everybody. They show the comparative amount of liquor consumed in Wisconsin and Kansas every year. The Wisconsin barrel is sixty-four times larger than the Kansas barrel, and as the material on which the construction of these barrels was based is from the government's reports, the exhibit is accepted as authentic.

THOSE WHICH BAR LIQUOR.

Another unique feature of this temperance question is an exhibition of the magazines which will not accept liquor advertisements. I fancy that this gives pause to the people who have given little thought to how great an outlaw the liquor business is becoming. Right next to the bright covers of the magazines is the section devoted to non-intoxicating foods. To a hungry man they certainly look good enough to eat.

I noticed that the boys who entered the Christian Union's corner made directly for the "Prosperity Statistics," and this seemed strange until I saw what popular subjects these statistics dealt with. Every boy was certainly interested in the statement, for instance, that there are twenty automobiles to every 100 farmers in dry Kansas, while there is only one automobile to every 100 farmers in wet Missouri. To this was added the figures showing that there were ten times as many criminals in Missouri as in Kansas; that the bank deposits in Kansas per capita are \$140, while they are only \$20.99 in Missouri, and that the assessed property valuation per capita in Kansas is \$1,700, while it is but \$300 in Missouri.

JAPANESE BELL.

The bronze Japanese bell, which the people of the Orient made in honor of Mary Allen West, the first W. C. T. U. world missionary, is part of the exhibit. A huge barrel, with running cords, shows the dividends of the liquor traffic and prominent in one corner is our old friend, the polyglot petition. Some of us can remember the time of its birth, a quarter of a century ago, and of the work of Miss Willard, whose portrait is now above it, in its behalf. The old document, with its 7,000,000 petitioners, asking that alcohol be banished, has been presented to over fifty governments.

The exhibit is in charge of Miss Mary E. Brown, of Seattle, who is the national superintendent of the department of curfew and policewomen of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Miss Brown is a charming woman and presides most gracefully over this most important section of the exposition.—William C. Levere.

"Forty years ago the temperance reform was traveling at the pace of a prairie schooner along a western trail. Today its electric speed is the despair of liquor dealers and foretells the earthly downfall of his trade." Anna Gordon.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Cando, N. D. April 28, 1915.

Dear Comrades:

I want to thank the unions for the splendid response they have made to the call for the sending in of dues. Living in a section of the state where the dollars have not been quite so plentiful this year, I can more readily appreciate the returns.

While we are working towards the goal of 1,000 new members let us hold fast to our old membership. Pennsylvania who made the largest gain in the National last year, counted the holding of the old members one of the great reasons of her success.

The vacation months are coming and we will need to renew our efforts if we are to keep our balance.

Yours for service,
EDNA F. SALMONS.

Monthly report of Treasurer from March 15th to April 15th, 1915.

Forman, minutes	\$ 45
Edgeley, dues	46 90
First District, state	20 00
Fifteenth District, state	30 00
Towner, dues	10 70
Williston, organizing	3 00
Luverne, minutes	30
Grafton, minutes	45
Mercer, memorial	2 00
Devils Lake, dues, memorial	20 20
Benedict, dues	7 70
Woodworth, dues	7 70
Niagara, state, L. T. L., mem.	
legislative, dues	13 90
Park River, dues	19 60
Lovell, memorial, dues	11 10
Sturim, memorial, dues	8 10
Valley City, dues	37 80
Edna F. Salmons, state	14 00
Arena, dues	4 90
Thompson, state, legislative, L.	
T. L., memorial, Chautauqua,	
Pres. Stenog., minutes, dues	33 15
Fairview, state	5 00
Hunter, dues	15 40
Willow City, dues	8 70
Stanley, minutes	45
Grand Forks, state, dues	11 30
McKenzie, memorial, dues	4 80
Rolla, state, dues, Chautauqua	9 50
Ryder, dues	7 70
Towner, organizing	6 98
Sawyer, dues	5 60
Valley City, legislative, state,	
dues	26 30
Kensal, dues, Stevens, campaign	3 40
Fargo, dues	4 20
Ray, dues	1 40
Lisbon, dues	16 80
Dickinson, dues	9 10
Heaton, dues, memorial	4 10
Bisbee, dues	7 70
Esmond, dues, memorial	8 70
Calvin, Stevens' campaign	6 60
Hillsboro, L. T. L., state, legis-	
lative	8 45
Grand Forks, dues, L. T. L.,	
Chautauqua, Pres. Stenog.	7 40

**WHAT A WOMAN'S VOTE
WOULD DO.**

Help End War—

The great majority of women are against war. They bear its burdens equally with men. Men go to battle, but women stay at home and battle for bread for their children.

Help Bring Peace—

There can never be universal peace until there is universal disarmament. Women's votes would hasten that day.

Help End Poverty—

Women suffer equally with men from the ravages of poverty. Eighty per cent of the poverty in our land can be traced to the liquor traffic, and the only way to end the liquor traffic is by votes.

Help Bring Prosperity—

The liquor traffic has been voted out of Oregon, Colorado, Arizona and Washington as a prosperity measure.

Help End Disease—

Women more than men battle with disease. To exterminate disease we make laws for the safeguarding of

**WHAT CONSTITUTES A SUCCESS-
FUL W. C. T. U.?**

This is one of the questions that confronts members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and is of vital importance when we take into consideration all that the W. C. T. U. represents, as there is hardly one branch of reform but what is taken up by the W. C. T. U.

Lillian M. N. Stevens said: "What a blessed tie is that of the white ribbon. If only we are true to its holy meaning, we shall never be chilled by selfishness, nor daunted by danger, nor weakened by worthlessness, nor stifled by ingratitude; but shoulder to shoulder, heart to heart, shall go on endeavoring every day to follow Him who is 'the way, the truth and the life.'"

We are told that the Woman's Christian Temperance Union stands behind more laws that have come from high ideas than any other organization. Take the child labor laws, the juvenile court laws and every similar legislation—and back of them is the unflinching, never-ending effort of the W. C. T. U.

Realizing the vast amount of good accomplished by this great organization, which we might call the greatest organization for women, it is only natural that we should ask, "What constitutes a successful W. C. T. U.?" and what can we do to insure it a success?"

Probably we might first call for loyalty—loyalty to the principles represented in our organization and loyalty to the plans and methods represented by our leaders. Of course, one cannot be loyal to the W. C. T. U. who is not, first of all, loyal to the principles of total abstinence and prohibition. But to be loyal we must have knowledge—knowledge of the past and knowledge of the present—upon which we may build our hopes of the future. By studying the lives of Frances E. Willard and Lillian M. N. Stevens and how much they contributed to the temperance cause, and also reading our official papers, the Union Signal and White Ribbon Bulletin, would help us to acquire some of this knowledge. "My people are destroyed through lack of knowledge," and so we might say when a union dies. How can one loyally stand for the defense of a cause which is under attack if one is not familiar with facts as they are? How can one help in carrying out the plans of our organization if one does not first learn the plans? How can one rejoice in victories if one does not know the cause for rejoicing. So it is readily seen that the individual members of the local unions need to read and study to obtain greater knowledge of the work of the W. C. T. U.

Then we require more interesting and more carefully prepared programs for our union meetings—have them so interesting that people will not forget the date (as is so often the case) or won't care about coming again, but will rather look forward to the time of next meeting. This can easily be accomplished if each member will conscientiously do her part, and the time spent thus would be as "seed sown upon good ground" that would be sure to bring forth an abun-

health. Women need the vote to pass and enforce health laws.

Help Health—

Pure food, milk supply, water supply and sanitation all have to do with health. Women need the vote to secure legislation concerning these interests; they are all home interests.

Help End Industrial Wrongs—

Women are a large factor in the industrial world. They face the same problems of wages, hours of labor, sanitary conditions, accidents, etc., as do men. They should have the same weapon of power with which to fight for their rights as have men—namely, the ballot.

Help Bring—

Better Economic, Social, Moral, Political Conditions.

dant harvest and we might then see the efforts of our labors.—National Constitutional Prohibition.

Another requisite for a successful W. C. T. U. is the full co-operation of pastors and church members. It is said that the greatest enemy the church of Christ confronts today is not materialism, nor ritualism, nor atheism, it is alcoholism. "Everything is not in the temperance reform, but the temperance reform should be in everything." Therefore, Christian temperance must go hand in hand with the gospel in all parts of the world, and this can be done no better than marching together, hand in hand, step by step, with the W. C. T. U., and it ought to be as much a part of the church as any other Christian organization. For we know that intemperance is a hindrance to every Christian work that is attempted and that the drink curse makes misery faster than charitable societies can relieve it. Statistics prove that there are charities sufficient to relieve every legitimate case of necessity, but when it comes to providing for rum wrecks in the shape of crazed and criminal men, forsaken wives, orphan children, it is an impossible task. It is said that for one person converted to Christianity in foreign fields, liquor at home makes one thousand drunkards. But when the church and temperance forces of the entire nation are joined together, then National Constitutional Prohibition will be possible. Let us not be discouraged, but stand bravely for Prohibition, Prosperity, Progress, on the principle that "stronger than dark is the light and stronger than wrong is the right."

To be a successful W. C. T. U. a great deal depends on the president, as no organization can be a success unless it has a leader. We need some one to get enthusiasm and encouragement from and to urge us to "lift the torch higher." But the president cannot do much unless she has the full co-operation of all the members in her union, as in union there is strength.

So, in summing up what makes a W. C. T. U. successful, we find it all depends on each individual member—just how much time for thought, study and action she gives to it. We often think we have not the time to devote to carrying on this great work of the abolition of the liquor traffic, but if we would only watch the minutes we unthinkingly waste, I am sure we would surely find the time. We are often unjustly criticized, but we know that taking the stand for the right is not always the most popular side, but nevertheless we should be true to God and home and native land.

In our unions we so often feel that some other member can do this or that certain work, and while we do not mean to cast aside all responsibility, it is often the case. So I would urge all White Ribboners to remember that there is certain work and certain places to fill that no one can do as well as YOU. And to make a W. C. T. U. successful, it might be well for us to adopt this motto: "We'll always do the best we can," or, "We'll never do less than our best." As a grain of sand is necessary to help make up the vast beach and a drop of water is to help compose the great ocean, just as necessary is the work of each individual member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Because we know that—

"One gentle word that we may speak,
Or one kind, loving deed—

May, tho' a trifle poor and weak,
Prove like a tiny seed
Which if dropped in the earth
At once takes root,
Springs up and bears rich fruit."

MRS. MINNIE PEARSON,
Pres. Ninth District W. C. T. U.

"Whenever I want anything done in civic matters I call on the women," declared Mayor Smart of Evanston in an address to the Illinois State Federation of Women's Clubs. "They do better work than the men, they have more time, and they take more time to attend to civic matters than men do."