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THE FLAG

BY HENRY VAN DYKE
(From the Patriotic Medal Contest
Speaker, No. 23)

All day long in the city's canyoned street,
Through a forest of watching folk on either side,
I saw a river of marching men like a tide,
Flowing after the flag;
And the rhythmic beat of the drums
And the bugles' resonant blare
Metered the tramp, tramp, tramp of a myriad feet,
While the Red, White and Blue was fluttering everywhere,
And the heart of the crowd kept time to a martial air.

O, brave flag, O, bright flag,
O, flag to lead the free!
The glory of thy silver stars
Engrailed in blue above the bars
Of red for courage, white for truth,
Shall bring the world a second youth.

And draw a countless human host
To follow after thee—
First of the flags of earth to dare
A heraldry so high;
First of the flags of earth to bear
The blazon of the sky;
Long may the constellation glow,
Foretelling happy fate;
Wider thy starry circle grow—
And every star a State.

O, bright flag, O, brave flag,
O, flag to lead the free!
The hand of God thy colors blent,
And heaven to earth thy glory lent,
To shield the weak and guide the strong,
To make an end of human wrong
And draw a hundred million hearts
To follow thee.

CONVENTION CALL.

The twenty-ninth annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of North Dakota will be held Sept. 20-23 in the capital city of Bismarck. The Commercial Club unites with the local union and in providing for its entertainment.

Article 6 of the constitution defines the membership of the state convention, as follows: "The annual meeting shall be composed of the executive committee, organizers, evangelists, district corresponding secretaries and treasurers, chairmen of standing committees, musical director and presidents of local unions or their alternates; one delegate at large, for each union, and one for every 30 members; also one L. T. L. delegate for every \$5 L. T. L. dues paid into state treasury, said delegate to be an L. T. L. president."

Article 3 of the constitution defines the executive committee: "The trustees, with the vice presidents or their alternates, duly appointed by the executive committees of their respective districts, the general secretaries of the Young People's and the L. T.

L. Branches, the editor of the White Ribbon Bulletin and the superintendents of departments shall constitute an executive committee."

In view of the postponement of the National W. C. T. U. Convention until the spring of 1919, State conventions for this year assume special importance. From them must come the enthusiasm, the inspiration and the publicity which usually result from the great National gathering.

It is hoped that extraordinary pains will be taken to secure good attendance and comprehensive reports of the year's achievement, in general, in war work, and in the regular departments. "Sacrifice and service" have characterized all efforts. Experiences in the Ten Thousand Dollar Drive will be of interest.

Because of existing conditions, simplicity will mark all arrangements for the convention. Economy and efficiency will be chief objectives. This year, in particular, dues must be carefully collected for old as well as new members. No one is considered a member unless the 70 cents state dues have been paid to state treasurer before Sept. 6th, when the books close.

Any woman gaining 20 new members, for whom dues have been paid into state treasury, is entitled to her railroad fare to state convention.

It is hoped that the western part of the state may be well represented because of the location of the convention city.

The Y. P. B. is entitled to representation in the state convention on the same basis as members of the W. C. T. U. Article IV of the Y. P. B. constitution provides that delegates and ex-officio representatives shall be young women.

For our convention speaker we are to be favored with the presence of Mrs. Maude B. Perkins, of Syracuse, N. Y., College Y. P. B. Secretary for the National W. C. T. U., whose personality and ability make her especially desirable. Music for the convention will be in charge of our musical director, Mrs. Walter B. Reed, of Amenia, which is sufficient guarantee of its quality and appropriateness.

The state executive committee will meet Thursday afternoon, Sept. 19th, at 2 o'clock, when every member is urgently requested to be present.

Friday, Sept. 13th, will be observed as a day of prayer for God's blessing on the convention and for His wisdom and guidance in all these trying days. We need to live very close to Him that our prayers may be effectual.

ELIZABETH PRESTON ANDERSON,
BARBARA H. WYLIE, President.
Secretary.

PRIZES AND WINNERS IN ESSAY CONTEST

Thompson, N. D., June 18, 1918.

Dear White Ribbon Sisters:

As another school year has come and gone the opportunity for our Scientific Temperance instruction and Essay Contest work has past for this year. I am hoping that much work along this line has been accomplished. It is now time for the local prize winning essays to be turned in for the state contest. Will you kindly see that they are sent to my address as soon as possible.

On June 4th we had a very interesting time at the University Model High School, at the convocation hour when the three prize winning essays were read and the prize money awarded. Thirty-nine essays had been handed in to the judges and were all considered of a fine order them. The winners were boys this year, first prize going to Fridjon J. Thorleifsson, Gardar, N. D. Subject—"Prohibition and Conservation." Second, Maurice F. Gessner, Penn, N. D. Subject—"Prohibition as a War Measure." Third, Eugene W. Hubbard, Grand Forks, N. D. Subject—"Industry and Alcohol."

The prize money was given by Mr. M. F. Murphy of Grand Forks, and awarded by Mr. Louden, a young man in Mr. Murphy's office. Mr. Louden is an Arts graduate and also a graduate of the law department and is now in training for service in France. When making the presentation of the prizes Mr. Louden gave a splendid talk to the young people. The prizes were, 1st, \$10 in gold, 2d, \$5 in gold, 3d, \$3 in silver.

The prizes for the University Contest will be awarded at commencement, Wednesday, June 19. Prize money for this contest, which is 1st, \$30 in gold, 2d, \$15 in gold, 3d, \$5 in gold, has been given by Mr. R. B. Griffith, Grand Forks, \$30 and the W. C. T. U. of Grand Forks, \$20. The names of the winners have not yet been given out so will have to be given in my next letter.

I wish to express my appreciation for the help given me in this work, to Mrs. Alice V. Hull, Miss Laycock of the university, Mrs. E. L. Baughman, president of 16th district, also to the judges, Mr. Murphy and Mr. Griffith, the Grand Forks W. C. T. U. and Mr. Louden.

Yours to serve,
LILLIE B. SMITH,
State Supt. S. T. I.

The American beer trade is quite willing for the country to wade through rivers of blood and climb mountains of bones rather than see war-time prohibition.

TITHING

NAOMI PEOPLES, Absaraka, N. D.

Tithing is a divinely inspired method of giving, established in the long ago days of Lot and Abram. In older times the people tithed their grain, cattle and any produce they had, as money was not so available as nowadays.

Tithing has been defined as follows: "Christ takes us into partnership with him in all our business matters and is a real partner in our temporal affairs. It is a wonderful thing to have an allwise partner in our life work. If we pay (note I say PAY, not give) Him the tenth which we owe, He becomes responsible as to our income and the amount of the tenth and our ability to help."

We all agree that money is necessary for our business transactions, is it not doubly so for Christ's business? We spare no money to push a business transaction to make more money. Ought we then to spare money or effort when business transactions for the King are under way? No indeed. Christ's command was: "Seek ye first His kingdom and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you."

Tithing does not make us poor, but on the other hand increases our accumulation of worldly goods. Jesus challenged us to "prove Him" declaring "Bursting barns and overflowing wine presses would result." "For six years there has been sent over the United States and to other countries an offer of one hundred dollars for the name of a Christian that has faithfully paid God one-tenth of his income and has not prospered as well as on the entire income before. The reward has not been claimed and has been increased to five hundred dollars."

If all church members paid what they owe the Lord there would be no need of bazaars and rummage sales to keep up the Lord's work.

Tithing is mentioned very little in the New Testament, probably due to the fact that it was so well established that it was not that necessary. As power and political schemes entered the church and it united with the State, thereby becoming a state, or worldly, church, it was supported by state taxes and the joy of tithing was gone. When the spiritual church was revived, tithing was left unmolested and has almost been lost sight of.

We call ourselves honest men and women because we do not rob men, but we are thieves if we do not pay God what belongs to Him. Giving

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STATE MOTTO—I am but one, but I am one: I can not do everything, but I can do something; what I can do, I ought to do, and what I ought to do, by the grace of God I will do.

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.

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When I think on the carnage of our world,
How rich red human blood hath drenched the sod,
And men at one's another's throats are hurled
In heathen hatred, and I doubt my God;
Then gaze I in the vaulted dome of night,
And gauge the infinite distance of its deeps,
Think how created were these points of light,
That guard steadfastly while the whole earth sleeps.
Or peer into a lily's stainless heart,
And see the wondrous beauty, every cell
Filling its function; how delicate the art
Which first conceived then fashioned it so well.
Then do I know what're occurs to man
Is but a part of God's omniscient plan.
—P. H. P.

The beer business wastes billions of pounds of food, millions of tons of fuel, hundreds of thousands of tons of shipping and man power beyond computation. It ought to stop, and it would stop if the people say so to Congress. For Congress is dry—but they think the people do not care because they do not demand immediate action in emphatic tones. The first food-saving bill provided strong effective prohibition for the period of the war, carried the House by a vote of 365 to 5. After the most vigorous opposition it was defeated in the Senate by a slender margin. Congress wants to do what you want it to do.

To win the war is the one big job of the American people, it costs the people millions of dollars every day. But the cost in money is trash compared with the cost in men. Waste prolongs the war. Glaring posters in every color and with every phrase and slogan that the government's publicity men could invent teach that.

TITHING

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deepens the love for our friends. Try it with your Friend of friends. The bible gives us some rules to follow in giving: "Bring ye in tithes according as the Lord hath prospered you," Deu. 16, 17. "Give to him that asketh and he that would borrow turn not away," Math. 5-42. "Let thine alms be secret—" Math. 64. God loveth a cheerful giver," 2 Cor. 9:7. "First gave their own selves to the Lord then to us by the will of God," 2 Cor. 8, 5. This last reference holds the key to all giving, "their own selves." God wants us, heart, soul, mind, body, and then He will get our purse also. We haven't given Him everything with ourselves, if we have withheld the purse.

When an offering was taken some years ago, in Winnipeg, among the pieces of silver was a bit of paper enclosing nothing but the word "myself." The real worth of the gift lies in the fact that the givers, like the early Macedonian Christians, first give themselves. He who gives himself with his alms feeds three, Himself, his hungry neighbor and Me.

And again:
The gift without the giver is bare.
—Lowell.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER.

Dear Comrades:—

In another column you will find the call for our State Convention to be held at Bismarck September 20-23.

The year is drawing, with incredible swiftness, to its close. I deeply appreciate the splendid work you have done, especially in the line of patriotic service, for I realize the difficulties under which many of you have labored and know that not only hands but hearts have been overburdened. I thank God for the faithfulness and loyalty of North Dakota White Ribboners.

Just now I am fearing that, because of the many calls, some very important things may be overlooked. In order to carry on our great work, never more needed than during this war and the period of reconstruction which will follow it, we must steadily increase the strength of our organization. This means that every White Ribboner should be on the alert for new members. When you call upon or meet a newcomer in your community, it is a very easy and a very gracious thing to invite her to join the W. C. T. U.

Another thing, not so easy, but still more important, is to carefully look after the collection of the dues of every member. Where the membership is large or scattering, a committee should be appointed to assist the treasurer in the final round-up of dues, and these with all pledges should be sent to the state treasurer by September 1st. Study the treasurer's report on pages 52-60 of the State Report, notice carefully how many members of your union paid dues for last year, and see to it that the report for next year shall show an increase and not a falling off.

Study the requirements for a Banner Union on page 42 of the State Report and report number of points gained under the schedule to state corresponding secretary by September 1st. Of course, all unions making 100 points WILL report and report and receive special recognition at the State Convention, the president being introduced to the convention and receiving a small pennant on which are inscribed the words, "Banner Union," but we would like all those unions which made an effort and failed to reach the 100 points to report what they have done.

It is exceedingly important that all report blanks be filled out and returned promptly. I hope every union is keeping an account, as Mrs. Wilder has suggested, of what every member has done for Soldiers and Sailors, including articles made, knitting done and hours of service given for the Red Cross. Have the local superintendent of Work Among-Soldiers and Sailors call the roll at every meeting and each member respond with what she has done since she last reported. On September 1st the total report of the year should be sent to Mrs. Wilder. We want, if possible, an adequate report of what our White Ribboners are doing in this great work. Will you help us to get it?

We want also a report of all Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps purchased by White Ribboners. Will the corresponding secretary of each union get these items and add to her report to be sent to Mrs. Wylie?

W. C. T. U. SERVICE FLAG.

We plan to have at our State Convention at Bismarck a North Dakota

service flag for our state W. C. T. U. to be dedicated with appropriate ceremonies. A standard for W. C. T. U. service flags will probably be set by the national officers, so that all states may act in harmony. This will probably include fathers, sons, grandsons, husbands, brothers and sons-in-law, and also mothers, daughters, granddaughters, wives, sisters and daughters-in-laws who are in the service. Please send names to me and ten cents with each name to help pay for the flag and stars.

Nothing you can do will help your local work more than to raise money to pay railroad fare of your president to the State Convention at Bismarck. If she cannot go send the next best women as her alternate. We are hoping and praying for a great State Convention and it would mean much to the work in the state if every local union could be represented there.

Mrs. Bowe, our state treasurer, has a position in the United States Employment Office here in Fargo. We have had no office secretary at Headquarters since early in February and the days have been strenuous. I am very thankful to report that we have now secured the services of Miss Hazel Edwards as office secretary. Orders for comfort bags and supplies should be addressed to North Dakota W. C. T. U. Headquarters, room 15½ First National Bank, Fargo, N. D., and not to me.

I leave tomorrow for the First District convention and will attend the Institute at North Chautauqua.

The August number of the White Ribbon Bulletin will be omitted.

The general officers, at a meeting held yesterday, voted to send from the War Service Fund \$100.00 for four electric fans for the base hospital at Camp Dodge, where many North Dakota boys are.

It was also decided that inasmuch as the Drive is for money for Field Kitchens, adoption of French orphans, Americanization, etc., as well as for comfort bags, that each union be allowed comfort bags up to two-thirds of the amount sent in by them.

This week promises to be an eventful one in Congress. The Jones amendment for war prohibition is likely to come up and it is expected that the suffrage amendment will be voted on in the senate. We hope and pray that the law makers of our great nation will stop the waste of men, money and food by enacting war prohibition at once, and that they will be consistent enough to give Democracy to the people at home. If these questions are not now settled right, we must continue the fight with increased vigor until they are.

Yours faithfully,

ELIZABETH PRESTON ANDERSON,
Fargo, N. D., June 25, 1918.

The drink bill is three times as much as we spend on public schools. It is as much as we spend for bread and clothing. It is as much as is earned by trades unionists. Its twice the capital in all the national banks. It would pay 10 per cent on all farm properties in the United States. Its too much to waste.

Dr. Van Dyke speaking from personal observation of the Belgian atrocities says: "Find an explanation for these Belgian atrocities if you can. Was it the drink found in the cellars of the houses that made the German officers and soldiers mad? Perhaps so. But that makes the case no better. It was stolen drink."

SECRETARY'S CORNER

Dear Comrades:

You will be glad to know that Miss Osmun organized two new unions, last month, along the new railroad west from Wildrose. At Yahl Miss Esther Page is president; Miss Frances Ruggom, secretary, and Mrs. Eynon, treasurer. At Grenora, the president is Mrs. E. O. Smith, the secretary Mrs. Susie Osborne, treasurer Mrs. Emma Woodall. We appreciate the help of Mrs. Anna Palmer, of Wildrose, who accompanied Miss Osmun on the trip. Mrs. Harriett D. Hall, on June 23rd, organized a new union at Rock Lake, with the following officers—Mrs. Sarah Fuller, president; Mrs. Mollie Rimel, secretary; Mrs. B. Krieger, treasurer. Mrs. Bowers, working out on the Killdeer branch, has organized a union at Whetstone (Killdeer P. O.) whose president is Miss Ella Veldy; Mrs. H. G. Schwartz, secretary; Mrs. O. Klevgard, treasurer. Mrs. Bowers has visited every available point in Dunn, Mercer and Oliver counties, meeting with very good response—considering existing conditions. She winds up her month's work at Yucca, June 30th, returning to Fargo for the remainder of the summer.

Mrs. Emma Graves Dietrick began her itinerary at McKenzie, where she and Mrs. Bowers were speakers at the Eleventh District convention. Next she visited Steele and Dawson and going down into Ninth District, spoke at Braddock, Kintyre, Napoleon, Wishek, Ashley and Hazelton, the district president, Mrs. Hattie M. Wilson, assisting. Continuing west, she visited Fort Rice, Flasher, Hettinger, Haynes, Petrel, Gascayne, Scranton, Bowman and Marmarth, concluding her work June 30th. Mrs. Dietrick is a fine speaker, earnest and enthusiastic, and the influence of her month's work will be felt all thru that section.

Mrs. Harriett D. Hall has spent a busy month and accomplished much for the cause gaining members and money, and everywhere recommending our organization. In Sixteenth District she visited Northwood, Larimore, Gilby, Grand Forks and Inkster. In Seventeenth District, Park River, Fairdale, Nekoma and Grafton were visited, the district convention being held at Grafton. At Crystal, the Eighteenth District held a very enthusiastic meeting which was well attended. It was my privilege to be present the first afternoon and hear our friend, Mrs. Hall, in several discussions. The unions at Bay Center, Drayton, Hamilton and St. Thomas in the Eighteenth District were visited, as also were points in First District—Calvin, Southam, Brocket, Churchs Ferry and Rock Lake. In Third District, three unions have been reached, Rugby, Barton and Bottineau, Mrs. Hall finishing her good work at the latter place, June 30th.

We are glad to welcome home from the Pacific coast our friend, Miss Mary M. Carey, president of the Third District. The Fifth District meets in convention, at Stanley, July 10 and 11. First District changed their convention dates to June 26-28 and are meeting, today, in Cando, with Mrs. Anderson as speaker. Second District postponed their meeting advertised at Carrington for June 11-13, because of an epidemic of scarlet fever. Thirteenth District held a good meeting at Lisbon with our state vice president, Mrs. Fred M. Wanner, as speaker. Miss Nelle M. Osmun represented the State W. C. T. U. at the annual meeting of the Scandinavian Total Abstinence Society, held at Minot June 21-23.

Next week the Chautauqua Institutes will claim our attention, Mrs. Wilder,

going to Mouse River Loop, Mrs. Wanner to Valley City, and the Corresponding Secretary to North Chautauqua.

It was with profound regret we learned of the passing of the Rev. C. E. Stinson, of Williston, a loyal friend of every good cause, a brother beloved, "a Prince and a great man in Israel." No man in the North Dakota Conference of the Methodist church was more highly esteemed. During the years he had woven himself into the life of the church and state, and into the hearts of the people as few others have done. To Mrs. Stinson, a faithful member of the W. C. T. U., our tenderest sympathy is extended.

Let us be much in prayer, for each other, these dark days, and let us keep close to the Heart of the Eternal, that our prayers may prevail.

Lovingly and hopefully yours,
BARBARA H. WYLIE.
Bowsmont, N. D., June 26th. 1918.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS NOTES

With the boys being called in such large numbers to join the colors our work is greatly increased. We are glad you are ordering comfort bags and hope you will continue to do so just as long as there are boys going to the cantonments. It would make our work somewhat easier if you would order in lots of a dozen, for instance instead of ordering 25 bags order 2 dozen or instead of 45 order 4 dozen. The reason we ask this is because most of our supplies come with a dozen in a box, and we have to keep breaking boxes when we fill the orders for odd numbers. It is of course a small thing; but in the course of the year it means many hours saved if you'll order by dozens.

Fargo Scandinavian has completed 180 bags and Fargo union 180 for the next lot of boys leaving here. Mayville has sent in 38 and has 12 to give to the Mayville lads. Jamestown has bought 125 bags, Hope 24, Fairmount 10, Page 24, Cando 43, Grand Forks 25, Hillsboro 40, Thompson 6, Hankinson 20, Galesburg 12, Grafton 40, Rolla 36 and Buxton 12. We have sent 12 to the Derrick union to make. We have given out 477 bags to be made from June 1st to 24th. The Daughters of Norway Lodge of Wildrose sent us a large box of beautifully made baby clothes, which we gratefully acknowledge. It will be sent to the French orphans.

Fargo has had a farewell entertainment for the 118 Cass county boys who left Friday evening, June 28th, and Mrs. R. M. Pollock presented the comfort bags to the boys. Mrs. J. W. Jones of the Scandinavian union and others helped in the distribution. It is always a beautiful and a touching event when the bags are presented and some of us would dislike very much to miss it.

The Y. M. C. A. of Fargo has kindly loaned me their auditorium for a day each month and the members of the unions here will assist me there in tearing out bags and doing them up in bundles of twelve each, so I hope to get your orders out promptly. The freights and express are very slow now, and we are sometimes obliged to ask you to wait, not because we haven't ordered supplies, but because they haven't reached us. So give us plenty of time. Don't order the last minute before you need the bags; but do order a week or so ahead. It will help both us and you.

Lovingly,
KATE S. WILDER.
Supt. Soldiers and Sailors.

Canada became practically dry throughout the Dominion on April first.

SUFFRAGE NOTES

There will in all probability be three women candidates for seats in the next British Parliament. Five women have been elected to the upper and four to the lower house of the Danish Parliament.

The Anti-Suffrage League of England has disbanded and the Anti-Suffrage Review, the official organ, has ceased publication. The anti-suffragists of New York state, under the leadership of Mrs. J. W. Wadsworth, wife of United States Senator Jas. M. Wadsworth, die harder than their English sisters as the State Association Opposed to Suffrage propose to launch a campaign this fall for the repeal of the Suffrage Amendment to the Constitution of the State.

Did anyone ever know an anti-suffragist who refused to vote after the right to do so had been given her? Several so called antis that have come under our observation have always been among the first to vote at school elections and every opportunity that is presented to them. "O consistency thou art a jewel."

It must be gratifying to the anti-suffragists to know that, with the exception of the United States, all of the women of English speaking countries of the world have now been enfranchised—together with a large number of the women of this country. It seems almost unbelievable that the law-makers of our nation, the members of the senate of the United States should so persistently stave off the passage of the Federal Suffrage Amendment. It is encouraging, however, to know that the suffrage workers continue to urge its passage just as persistently. Much of the credit of this is due to the Congressional Committee who keep daily watch at Washington. Two women, Maud Wood Parker and Helen H. Gardner, head this committee and it is upon their shoulders that the hardest of the work falls. The diplomatic suffrage corps which they head must never cease their vigilance. It must stay on duty day in and day out, for complications are endless and the strain is incessant. Let us hope that their work may be soon rewarded by the passage of this amendment.

It will be remembered that when England enfranchised 6,000,000 women the news was not heralded in the press as the importance of the measure warranted. In fact it was not allowed to be published in German newspapers at all. The enemy most hated and dreaded by the Kaiser is democracy. Germany stands in the lowest rank of nations regarding woman's rights. German women are not ignorant of this fact. Only a few months ago an appeal addressed to the Reichstag by three great organizations of German women, representing all classes, asked for more recognition in social and political life on the ground of co-operation in public life and engaging in war work and their worth as human beings. Their appeal was turned down with contempt. If the U. S. Senate defeats the suffrage amendment are they not of the same spirit, in this matter, as the Huns? The joy of the Kaiser would be unbounded if the senate fails to pass the amendment and there is no question but the news would be heralded broadcast in Germany.

Hungary is not satisfied with conditions within her borders. She is dissatisfied with the Central Powers. She is fighting for woman suffrage again—and this step toward self government and democracy is not pleasing to the Kaiser and Emperor.

The Canadian suffrage bill known as the Government Votes for Women Bill, a sweeping national suffrage measure passed the House of Commons and received the Royal assent at once, in May, giving full suffrage for Canada. Under the law all women over 21, British, and not disqualified from voting by race and nationality restrictions of their own are enfranchised. This bill is far in advance of Great Britain's suffrage act—with its unfair age limit.

We want to congratulate the women of Hawaii on the passage of the Hawaiian suffrage bill June 3d by the lower house. It passed the senate last September and at this writing lacks the President's signature only.

We were pleased at the action of the recent Biennial of the General Federation of Woman's Clubs, when that body passed a unanimous vote for woman suffrage. Compare this with the attitude of the Biennial six years ago or when at the Chicago Biennial suffrage was endorsed for the first time when it was feared that an endorsement would split the Federation. We are glad to note the progress of this great organization of women.

The war to date has won suffrage for 40,000,000 women in various parts of the world. Figures by the National American Woman Suffrage association today showed women in the following states and nations enfranchised since 1915. Great Britain 6,000,000; New York state, 3,000,000; British Columbia, 81,827; Manitoba, Can., 103,160; Alberta, Can., 75,084; Saskatchewan, Can., 96,751; Ontario, Can., 718,543; Denmark, 803,986; partial suffrage: Texas, 999,166; Michigan, 786,033; Arkansas, 351,994; Nebraska, 398,040; Rhode Island, 165,391; Vermont, 106,883 and North Dakota, 122,406.

MRS. ELLA M. SHIPPY,
State Supt. of Franchise.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Hamilton dues.....	\$ 70
Northwood, patriotic service.....	5 50
LaMoure, dues, pat. ser. hdq.....	5 50
Reeder, L. T. L., dues.....	2 10
Thompson, pat. ser.....	83 63
Inkster, dues.....	70
Norma, pat. ser.....	51 63
Lisbon, dues.....	12 60
Abercrombie, pat. ser.....	15 00
Kintyre, dues.....	8 40
Willard, dues.....	6 00
Myrtle McGilton, state.....	5 00
14th Dist., pat. ser.....	5 00
Crary, pat. ser.....	50 00
Sherwood, state.....	3 00
Larimore Scan., pat. ser.....	5 00
Woodbury Y. P. B., for Red Cross.....	33 55
Jamestown, dues, pat. ser., collectors.....	23 90
Edgeley, pat. ser.....	83 00
Oberon, patriotic service.....	19 55
Towner, pat. ser.....	30 00
Grafton, pat. ser.....	150 00
Bismarck, pat. ser.....	45 31
Ry, collectors, pat. ser.....	17 70
Niagara, state, L. T. L., legislative, dues.....	7 80
Hillsboro, pat. ser.....	35 00
15th Dist., pat. ser. state, mem- morial, hdq.....	54 00
Tyner, pat. ser.....	15 00

MINETTE B. BOWE.

Bishop Joseph F. Berry, whose influence for clean politics in Pennsylvania is notable, says "Nothing can stop us." Both factions of the Republican party have become committed to prohibition. The Pennsylvania Democrats will bring forth Vance McCormick, a Prohibitionist, for Governor.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT 15TH DISTRICT CONVENTION

The Fifteenth District W. C. T. U. of North Dakota, in Convention assembled at Hunter May 28th and 29th, 1918, adopted the following resolutions:

Whereas, We have been informed by the Government at Washington many times that the war will be won by the conservation of food stuffs and fuel, and

Whereas, Great quantities of food stuffs, and coal are used by the brewers of this country,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That we do most earnestly protest against the waste of grain and coal in the manufacture of that which debauches men, and that we request the immediate enactment of the prohibition of the manufacture and sale of all intoxicating liquor for the period of the war and demobilization.

Whereas, Magazines like the Literary Digest are extensively used in schools and colleges,

Resolved, That we, as far as possible, write publishers of such magazines asking them to discontinue advertisements of tobacco and cigarettes, the use of which is so harmful to students and all young people.

Whereas, The women of our country have demonstrated their great usefulness as well as their interest in all things concerning our country whether social, commercial or legislative,

Resolved, That we urge the passage of Federal Suffrage Amendment as the most effective way of obtaining the franchise.

Realizing that this is a Christian nation whose fundamental principles are based on the Bible,

Resolved, That we urge the unions to make greater effort to have the official syllabus of Bible Study, outlined by our State High School Board, used more extensively in our high schools and colleges. Also that the unions themselves form classes to take up the study.

Resolved, That we express our appreciation to the people of Hunter who have done so much to make our stay so delightful, especially would we thank the officers of the Presbyterian church for use of their building, the musicians who gave us such fine music, and to everyone who in any way helped to render our convention a delight.

(Signed) MRS. R. M. POLLOCK
MRS. HANSON
MRS. WALTER R. REED

FIELD NOTES

PAGE.—The Page W. C. T. U., on a recent Sunday, presented resolutions for war prohibition to the three protestant churches of the place, the Methodist, Baptist and Lutheran. These were adopted by a unanimous vote and sent on to Washington.

REEDER.—Mrs. Ethel B. Wells, president of the Reeder union, reported a flourishing L. T. L. which has had good meetings all the year. They sent L. T. L. dues for 21 members.

WILLARD.—Mrs. L. L. Muir, secretary of the Willard union, sends the following names of new Willard members which were secured by Mrs. Lillie B. Bowers: Miss Agnes Etherington, Price; Mrs. E. E. Case, Center; Mrs. Robert Dunn, Center; Margaret Baye, Hensler; Mrs. Sarah E. Ellis, Hensler; Mrs. Josephine Howard, Dunn Center.

WHETSTONE.—Mrs. Bowers recently organized a union at Whetstone, Killdeer postoffice, with the following officers: Miss Ella Veldy, president; Mrs. Alf. Swaren, vice president; Mrs. H. G. Schwartz, secretary; Mrs. O. Klevgard, treasurer.

17TH DISTRICT CONVENTION

Seventeenth District held their twenty-ninth annual convention in the beautiful new Presbyterian church in Grafton June 12th and 13th, which was graciously presided over by our new president, Mrs. Beasley, of Nekoma, who drove her auto over fifty miles of rough roads in order to be present at our meeting.

The first afternoon was taken up by reports of local unions. Every union reported and all reports were encouraging. Nekoma is the banner union in point of increase in membership having gained 39 new active members and 19 honorary members in the past year. All unions had helped with the state drive for \$10,000 for war relief, Minto doing especially well having only a membership of twenty-three they raised \$119 for this fund.

We rejoice to know that 17th Dist. has the required number of points to make us a banner district this year.

Some excellent papers were read. Mrs. Phair gave a fine paper on the Union Signal impressing on us the importance of subscribing for and reading our national official organ.

A splendid paper on "Victories of the Year" was given by Mrs. Reinhardt of Minto. Mrs. Wm Miller's paper on "Our Obligations to the Children and Young People" was excellent and showed us our obligations plainly.

Wednesday evening addresses of welcome were given by Dr. Cryderman in behalf of the Commercial Club and Prof. Murphy in behalf of the schools and were much appreciated.

Mrs. Harriett D. Hall gave the address of the evening, which was full of good things. Her presence during the convention was inspiring and helpful. The parliamentary drill she conducted being especially practical.

The Grafton Union provided an abundance of excellent music both vocal and instrumental for all sessions of the convention.

Thursday forenoon was partially devoted to reports of department superintendents. Reports showed that unions had been lax in keeping account of work done and had not been prompt in replying to letters. One exception to this complaint was Minto union. They had done excellent department work and had reported it.

We sent a message to President Wilson asking for speedy action on War Prohibition. A resolution was presented and carried in which 17th District W. C. T. U. pledged themselves to work diligently before the primaries, for the nomination of such men, for office, as would endorse dry legislation.

The ladies of Grafton W. C. T. U. provided a bountiful lunch on Thursday afternoon as a social feature of our convention but owing to the threatening condition of the weather, those delegates who had traveled by auto were unable to remain for it but the kindness was appreciated just the same.

The Bey of Tunis requested the French government to prohibit the selling of alcoholic liquors, including wine, to laborers of his country employed in France. The French government complied with this request, just as it would comply with a request of the United States Government that the sale of liquor be prohibited to American soldiers.

State Highway Commissioner Cunningham of Pa. recently revoked the motor license of a man who plead guilty to the charge of operating an automobile while intoxicated. Safety first, is a good motto.

TEN THOUSAND DOLLAR DRIVE NOTES

The Thompson union through its treasurer, Mrs. Hattie M. Bray, sends \$83.63, and reported that \$21 of this was collected in Reynolds by the members of the Thompson union.

The Home Guard union of Norma sends \$51.63, and the secretary, Mrs. Ora Lynskey, reports that this amount has been gained through the efforts of one member, Mrs. Fitzgerald, who canvassed the community. Thus we see what one woman can do. All honor to Mrs. Fitzgerald.

The Cray union through its treasurer, Mrs. Ruth A. Whitcomb, sends \$50 with best wishes that the \$10,000 may be raised.

The new 20th District through its treasurer, Mrs. L. A. Tyson, who was recently elected vice president, sends \$5 for the war service fund.

The 15th District voted to contribute \$25, which has been sent in by the treasurer, Mrs. Walter Reed.

Mrs. E. M. Tyson, Hankinson, reports that the union recently had an afternoon meeting with Mrs. Harriet D. Hall and took an offering of \$12 for the war service fund.

Mrs. S. O. Nelson of Northwood union sends \$5.50 as a beginning on the war service drive. They plan to hold a special meeting on July 28th, the proceeds of which will go into this fund. They have only a few active members but will do their part. Mrs. Nelson reports an inspiring address on the war work by Mrs. Harriet D. Hall.

Mrs. R. M. McFadden, president of Tyner union, sends \$15 making \$60 received from this live country union of only six members, one of whom is now living in Ontario, Canada.

Mrs. A. H. Maides, treasurer of the enterprising union at Ray in the 5th District, sends \$17 as a start in their apportionment for the war drive.

Edgeley through its treasurer, Mrs. Geo. Lee, sends \$83 thus making \$128 received from this union.

Towner union, through its treasurer, Mrs. Viola Fouts, sends the first installment, \$30, on their apportionment.

Grafton union has gone "over the top," the treasurer, Mrs. D. M. Upham having sent a check for \$150. This county seat union is furnishing the drafted men with comfort bags.

Bismarck, through its treasurer, Mrs. Couch, sends \$45.31 making \$545.31 received from the capital city union.

Jamestown union is furnishing the drafted men of Stutsman county with comfort bags and tho they have raised \$530 for the war service fund the president, Mrs. Riley, says they are "going to get busy and raise \$100 more." They have given out 300 comfort bags already and have ordered more. So far every bag has contained a letter written by a Jamestown woman. They have received several fine answers from the boys who greatly appreciate the comfort bags and especially the motherly letters.

The Fargo unions at this writing are in the thick of their drive. The following are captains: Mrs. R. M. Pollock, Mrs. Julia Nelson, Mrs. K. S. Wilder, Mrs. H. P. Halverson, Mrs. Joseph Matters, Mrs. J. M. Johnson, Mrs. J. W. Jones, Mrs. L. Siverton, Mrs. G. Herrmanson, Mrs. I. H. Ulsaker, Mrs. Victor Baldwin, Mrs. J. McGran, Mrs. Geo. Clark, Mrs. K. S. Erdal. Over \$800 has been reported up to June 22.

Canada became practically dry throughout the Dominion on April 1st.

FIRST GREAT VICTORY FOR WAR PROHIBITION

The National Dry Federation scored its first victory in its drive for War Prohibition, when at the suggestion of its representative, Mrs. S. Stewart, at the recent National Convention of the Womens' Federated Clubs of America, in Hot Springs, Ark., there was passed the following resolution:

First—Be It Resolved, That we urge upon every one of the nine thousand woman's clubs in the United States to call one meeting between now and July 4th for the purpose of securing the signatures of its members to a telegram to the United States Senate in care of both U. S. Senators and to the House of Representatives, in care of the local representative, requesting the immediate passage of a National Bone-Dry Prohibition law as a war measure.

Second—The convention sent the following wire to both houses of Congress: To United States Senate, care of Hon. Thos. Marshall, Vice President, and House of Representatives, care of Hon. Champ Clark, Speaker:

"The 14th Biennial Convention of the General Federation of Womens' Clubs assembled at Hot Springs, Ark., representing two million club women of the United States, earnestly request your honorable body to immediately pass a National Bone-Dry Law as a war measure.

"When both food and man power are at such a premium we believe it folly to indulge in the waste of one and the dissipation of the other. We, the women of the land, pledge our sons, our money, our labor and our all. We beseech the United States Congress to strike from our land the greatest despoiler of food and the greatest wrecker of man power."

WOMEN PATRIOTS

Dr. Anna Howard Shaw
(Excerpts)

For forty-four years women have been striving to free this land from that which Gen. Pershing in France says is the most dangerous thing. He professed himself a great believer in the enfranchisement of women and of prohibition. "So long as I am at the head of the army I shall speak for prohibition, and I will not go slow, for I know what is the greatest foe to my men—greater than the bullets of the enemy."

We are one army—the army in the field and the army at home. One cannot win peace without the other. Unless the army at home does its duty the army in the field cannot win. And this war will bring to us women a voice in the government.

The United States government saw it was wise to mobilize the woman power of the nations. What is the result? It has been discovered that men and women alike have within them great forces which are called out by great times like this. Our government realizes that the demand may come to us.

Today women are a great mobilized army ready to serve our country in whatever way it needs our service. We are going to do everything asked of us. We will rise, as women always have, to the height of patriotic service. We are willing to save, to give our sons, to give the inspiration, to keep the home fires burning, to conserve food, and have the government conscientious food—we are willing to do everything and anything, but the country must conserve, that we and the children may not suffer by their lack of care.