



"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH."

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WHEN MOTHER IS AWAY

The house is such a dreary place when mother is away;
There isn't fun in anything, no matter what you play.
The dolls just sit as stupid, and act so still and queer--
They always say such funny things when mother's by to hear.

The little china tea-set looks so lonesome waiting there;
There's no fun playing party and eating only air!
It isn't like the lovely things you most believe you see
Upon the plates and saucers, when mother comes to tea.

There's no use doing up your hair and dressing up in style,
You know it's just pretending, and you're Betty all the while,
You never hear a whisper from the chairs against the wall:
"Dear me, what splendid lady now is coming here to call!"

The pictures in the picture-books are never half so fine,
The stories won't come out and talk for any pains of mine;
An hour goes so slowly, its almost like a day--
The house is such a lonely place when mother is away.

--"Good Housekeeping."

CONVENTION CALL

The twenty-eighth annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of North Dakota, will be held Sept. 21-24, in beautiful Valley City on the Sheyenne River--conveniently located on the "Soo" and Northern Pacific Railroads and famed for its hospitality.

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."

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

In this year of world-wide disturbance, when hearts are anxious and pocket-books taxed, it becomes necessary that we put forth extra

effort to maintain all organizations that seek the moral uplift of the race. Notable among these is the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. For more than 40 years it has been working wonders, along many lines of activity, and will continue to do so, for years to come. Prohibition for state and nation is one of its many splendid aims. When that is won--our work will only be well begun.

We have set our goal at 1000 new members. To reach this, dues must be carefully collected for old, as well as new members. No one can be considered a member unless the 70 cents of state dues has been paid to the state treasurer, Mrs. Minnette B. Bowe, Fargo, before Sept. 7, when the books close. Any woman gaining twenty new members, for whom dues are paid into state treasury, is entitled to R. R. fare to state convention.

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 4 of Y. P. B. constitution provides that delegates and ex-officio representatives shall be young women.

We are most fortunate in our guests of honor for the convention. The beloved national president, Anna A. Gordon, has consented to come, as has also Iowa's capable president, Mrs. Ida B. Wise-Smith. Leading state workers will also contribute to the success of the convention. The music, under the direction of Mrs. Walter R. Reed of Amenia, promises to be up to its usual high standard.

Instead of the usual banquet, and in line with economic effort, a social tea will be served the first evening, Thursday, Sept. 20, at 6:30 o'clock. Addresses of welcome will be given and responses made. Further announcement will be made later.

The state executive committee will meet Thursday, Sept. 20, at 2 o'clock p. m. Every member is urgently requested to be present.

Friday, Sept. 14th, will be observed as a day of prayer for God's blessing on the convention and for His wisdom and guidance in these crucial days.

Notwithstanding the war, this has been a year of wonderful temperance victories in the state and nation. To show our gratitude let us make this our greatest convention, by praying for its success, working that all dues may be collected, that our financial obligations may be met, and planning now for a full delegation from every union to meet and greet our National President.

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

No class of people is more greatly benefited by the abolition of the saloon than are saloonkeepers and their families, and most of them realize it.

TO LOCAL UNIONS

The war situation offers to local union unparalleled opportunities for enlarging their membership. Women everywhere are eager to translate patriotic fervor into action. Especially are they seeking the ways in which they may "do something" for the comfort and for the protection of sons and husbands and sweethearts who are called to army and navy service. This is the psychological moment to ask them to join the W. C. T. U., an organization which for thirty years has been doing practical work for soldiers and sailors, and which in the forty-three years of its existence has achieved much for home protection and social betterment. The present war is emphasizing the fact, as other events have emphasized it in lesser degree, that the W. C. T. U. is fully equipped for any emergency. Its "do everything" machinery never stops. The engineers need only turn on a little extra power to set the wheels whirling and the pistons pounding with a speed and efficiency that is the wonder and envy of organizations whose scope is necessarily more limited.

The mothers of the nation are aroused as never before to the perils which surround their boys. The legalized liquor traffic, with its attendant immorality and consequent physical and moral debauchery, is the enemy they fear the most, and thousands of them belonging to other women's societies but not heretofore allied with any temperance organization are ready to enlist with the white-ribbon forces. Let each of our 20,000 local unions see to it that every woman in its particular community receive a personal invitation to become a member of the greatest anti-liquor, anti-vice, anti-everything-that-strikes-at-the-home organization in existence, and thus add to the influence being brought to bear upon Congress and upon the President for nation-wide prohibition.

ANNA A. GORDON,
President Nat'l W. C. T. U.
FRANCES P. PARKS,
Corresponding Secretary.

FROM ANNA A. GORDON

Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill.,
June 2, 1917.

My dear State President:

A motor ambulance at the battle front--an ambulance inscribed as a gift of the National W. C. T. U., and floating our white ribbon emblem beside our glorious flag is a hope I fondly cherish. Such an ambulance with its blessed ministries to the wounded and suffering would emphasize in a peculiar and powerful way the mother love of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Perchance the son of a white ribboner can be found to drive our car on its errands of mercy.

May I affectionately entreat all

members of the W. C. T. U. to interest their friends outside as well as within our ranks, men as well as women, in speedily raising \$1600. This amount will purchase, equip and transport to France a first class motor ambulance, and pay for its upkeep for a year. I beg the privilege of giving the first fifty dollars toward a National W. C. T. U. Ambulance Fund. Send all contributions for this fund through local and state treasurers to the treasurer of the National W. C. T. U., Mrs. Margaret C. Munns, Evanston, Illinois. The national general officers heartily approve this plan. I trust you will favor the suggestion, and I shall appreciate an early reply to this hastily written letter.

Affectionately,
ANNA A. GORDON.

COMFORT BAGS

It is a matter for congratulation that at this time when young men are everywhere responding to the call for service with the colors, the many thousands of W. C. T. U. workers are experienced in the matter of preparing comfort bags for the boys. This is not a new service to the half million members of the W. C. T. U. A department of work among soldiers and sailors has been an important part of this organization since 1882. During the Spanish American war large quantities of comfort bags fully stocked with comforts and necessities were presented to our American soldiers, sailors and marines. The National superintendent, Mrs. Ella Hoover Thacher, of Washington, D. C., with other members, visited the camps and ships and personally presented thousands of the little tokens of womanly thoughtfulness, greatly to the delight of "the boys."

The W. C. T. U. of those states in whose honor battleships or cruisers have been named, have usually presented a comfort bag, well equipped, to each man on board. For instance, the W. C. T. U. of the state of Washington made and presented over 800 to the men on board the ship named for that state, omitting no man or boy. It has always been the custom of this organization to place in each bag in addition to the usual contents a copy of the Testament or of the Gospels, a total abstinence pledge card, the "Red, White and Blue Songster," for Soldiers, Sailors and Marines," published by the National W. C. T. U., a bit of good reading and a motherly letter written to that other mother's son who might receive the comfort bag.

A man, getting excited at a temperance meeting, called out: "Why does not the Almighty send His lightning and blot out all the rum holes?" Quick was the reply from another in the audience: "The Almighty has the lightning all right--what he wants is conductors."

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OBJECT.—To promote the advancement of the W. C. T. U. work of North Dakota in all its departments, and to do all in our power to bring the triumph of Christ's Golden Rule in custom and law.

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.

JULY 1917

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The Union Signal as a Campaigner

THE UNION SIGNAL answers the many requests made for reliable information concerning the effects of prohibition; it refutes the misstatements of prohibition's enemies by giving the ABSOLUTE TRUTH; it destroys the tissue of deception so skillfully woven by the brewers, by stating the latest scientific testimony concerning the true nature and effects of beer. It is unexcelled as a campaign document. You cannot afford to be without THE UNION SIGNAL. It educates, inspires and encourages. Read and pass it on to others. Only \$1.00 per year in one premium copy for distribution purposes, \$1.75. The once-a-month Campaign Edition costs only 75c per year. The subscriptions sent at one time at old rate, 25c. Subscribe now!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER.

Dear Comrades:—

You will be glad to know that W. C. T. U. comfort bags are in demand. The Y. M. C. A. secretary at the Great Lakes Training Station, the largest naval training station in the United States and where many of our own North Dakota boys are in training, recently phoned to the Illinois headquarters in Chicago for 1400 comfort bags.

The hospital supplies will be more needed later, but the comfort bags, especially for the navy, are needed NOW, as the navy goes first. Can we not in view of the urgent demand, make the comfort bags our special emergency work now? It is the National plan that this work shall be centralized at National and State W. C. T. U. Headquarters. In order to carry out the plan and assist the unions of the state in this work, the Fargo union and the Fargo Scandinavian union will cooperate with the State Headquarters. Material will be bought here by the wholesale, and the bags cut out and sent to the unions as they are ordered. These bags can be made at meetings called for the purpose to which interested outsiders are invited. The finished bags should be returned to State Headquarters with an amount of money equal to 85 cents per comfort bag, which will pay for the material to make and fill the bags. This work will be done by the members of the two unions at Fargo under directions of Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, Mrs. R. M. Pollock and Mrs. Julia D. Nelson. Please send in your orders at once for the number of bags your union will be responsible for.

WAR PROHIBITION

We are rejoicing over the passage by the House of Representatives of the Lever food control bill prohibiting the manufacturing of food stuffs into liquor. The senate at this writing seems inclined to put it into the hands of the President. If this prevails it will be necessary by letters and telegrams to let the President know what the people want. The liquor interests are moving heaven and earth if possible to save their business. We must not do less to protect our boys. A memorial sent to Congress by the National W. C. T. U. promises patriotic response to the food-saving appeal of Mr. Hoover, but insists that the government shall conserve for food the one hundred million bushels of grain now worse than wasted each year in making alcoholic liquors.

PRESIDENTIAL AND MUNICIPAL SUFFRAGE

The greatest suffrage victory ever won in North Dakota is the failure of the antis to secure the insignificant ten per cent of the voters in a majority of the counties for the referendum petition. The fact that they had paid workers who made gross misrepresentations in order to secure signatures, and yet failed to get any where near the necessary number, shows the strength of suffrage sentiment in the state. This goes far to prove our contention that in the election of 1914 the blank votes in large numbers were counted with the noes, and that woman suffrage at that time actually received a majority of the votes cast on the amendment. The presidential and municipal suffrage law goes into effect on July 1st. We believe there is no question but that the full suffrage amendment, if it comes to the voters, will pass by a great majority. It must pass the next Legislative Assembly and we must begin now to work for the election of men who are favorable.

MEMBERSHIP—GAIN OR LOSS

Whether we come up to the Valley City convention rejoicing over

our gains or sorrowing over our losses depends largely upon the work of the faithful treasurers in the next few weeks. Where the membership is large, we recommend that a committee be appointed to assist the treasurer in the collection of dues. We can not expect busy women to remember their dues unless they are reminded. I always feel grateful to the treasurer who reminds me that my dues have not been paid, and doubtless every other loyal white ribboner feels the same. It is not too late to make your gain 33 1/3 per cent in membership. Invite every woman in your neighborhood who does not belong. Give them an opportunity to help in our splendid emergency service.

ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM ONE THOUSAND PEOPLE

The success of this plan depends on every individual white ribboner. We do not ask our members to give the dollar but we ask them to be the medium through whom some one else, a neighbor, farmer, business man, doctor, lawyer, teacher or preacher, may give. One little woman has collected a dollar each from two men without going a step out of her way or spending any extra time. To do our great work we are in need of funds, will you not try this method to help the cause in this crisis?

NORTH DAKOTA BONE DRY

Under the provision of the Bowman bone dry law which goes into effect July 1st, no intoxicating liquor can be shipped into this state except to registered pharmacists, to be disposed of by them according to law. A record is kept at the freight or express offices of the kind and quantity of liquor received and the name of the pharmacist to whom it is consigned. The pharmacist must make affidavit before receiving the liquor. The pharmacists of the state do not wish to go back to the permit system and arrangements will be made for them to handle alcohol for the compounding of medicines only. It is the opinion of the Attorney General that after July 1st it will be comparatively easy to enforce the prohibition law.

We rejoice and heartily congratulate Attorney General Langer and Superintendent F. L. Watkins for the splendid enforcement work done at Minot.

On July 1st the federal law prohibiting all liquor advertisements of any kind through the mails will go into effect. For several years we have had a law prohibiting liquor advertising by papers in the state but the mails have been flooded with liquor advertising and there is scarcely a man or woman in North Dakota who has not received them. Now no letter, paper or magazine carrying liquor advertisements can come thru the mails into the state.

We hail with joy the advent of July when in our beloved state liquor shipments and liquor advertisements are barred, and when women are given the right to vote for all township, village and city officers, except police magistrates and justices of the peace, and for presidential electors.

The world is moving toward the light even though we are under the cloud of this terrible war. Let us be loyal and true to our sacred work and pray as never before for our country, for humanity, and for the triumph of righteousness.

Yours to serve,
ELIZABETH PRESTON ANDERSON,
Fargo, N. Dak., June 27, 1917.

I'm but a cog in life's vast wheel,
That daily makes the same old trip,
Yet what a joy it is to feel
That but for me the wheel might slip.
'Tis something, after all, to jog
Along and be a firstclass cog.
—Missouri Counselor.

SECRETARY'S CORNER

Dear Comrades:—

It is a satisfaction to know that while we have been busy with various interests, Mrs. Harriett D. Hall has been representing our work in a very special way, and meeting with considerable encouragement. She spent a week in the 14th district, speaking at Fairmount, Hankinson, Lidgerwood, Cogswell, Wyndmere and places in the country. Going west, she stopped at Kintyre, then made several dates in the 11th district, under the direction of Mrs. L. E. Heaton. At Bismarck she had an enthusiastic meeting and gained several new members. At Mandan a local union was organized with Mrs. Nettie Palmer, president, and Mrs. Mary Moore, secretary. After speaking at Fort Rice Mrs. Hall went to 19th district where she is still at work. The great interest in Red Cross Work has been recognized and explanations given while our own work has been stressed. We appreciate the constructive work done by Mrs. Hall during this month in the state.

Mrs. Lillie B. Bowers has just completed her work for the season—and returned to Fargo in time for the State S.S. Convention, where she gave a strong address, while in this field she has given us her best service and the apparent results are gratifying. Friday evening, the 29th inst., she speaks at Amenia, then goes on to Devils Lake to assist with the Institute at North Chautauqua.

Mrs. Julia D. Nelson spent a week in the 13th district, visiting Englevale and adjacent territory. She made house to house calls and stimulated interest in our work.

June has been, as usual the month of conventions. The First District had a very interesting gathering at Devils Lake June 12-14, at which addresses were made by Mrs. Mary C. McDonald, Mrs. Louise Haley and others. At the same time Thirteenth District was meeting at Edgeley and Mrs. F. M. Wanner, president of the 12th district, assisted and gave an address which was highly commended.

On June 14 and 15, the Seventeenth District meeting was held at Nekoma and was characterized by a large attendance and much enthusiasm. Our recording secretary, Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, was present, and her work and inspirational address were much appreciated by all. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Beasley, Nekoma; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Parker, Nekoma; recording secretary, Mrs. Annie F. Catherwood, Park River; treasurer, Mrs. Allan Dickson, Forest River. The new president and corresponding secretary are both young women of culture and education, and bring to the work their consecrated ability. A medal contest was held, for which the contestants had been well trained by Mrs. Beasley.

The 18th district met in convention at Drayton, June 15th, all unions but one, being represented. Here again, Mrs. Wilder gave the address of the evening and captivated her hearers by her ready wit and unanswerable logic. Worthy of special mention was the co-operation and helpful address of Rev. Walter Vater, pastor of the Methodist church. The old officers were re-elected.

The Fifth district convention was to be held at Stanley June 24 and 25. The president, Mrs. Alger, had arranged an interesting program and expected Rev. Mr. Christ, of White Earth, and Rev. Nell Osman, of Hurdsville to assist.

Our attention now turns to Chautauqua Institutes and we trust many white-ribboners may attend and bring their friends. Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, who is in charge of the Valley City Institute, will give the address on our W. C. T. U. Day there. At North Chautauqua our special day will be observed by an address by Mrs. Ella M. Shippy, our State Supt. of Franchise. We expect to do some work at Mouse River Loop Chautau-

qua, with the assistance of Mrs. Bowers and local workers.

With the state convention less than three months away, how much we need to be up and doing!

Yours, in active service,
BARBARA H. WYLIE.
Bowersmont, N. D., June 27th, 1917.

MEDAL CONTESTS

Two silver medal contests are reported from Fargo. One was held in the First M. E. church, receipts \$6.90. And the other at the Pontipidon Nor. church, this was held merely for an evening entertainment and was free.

A gold medal contest was held as part of the program at the Sixth district convention at Dickinson, and a double silver medal contest, music and declamatory, at the Thirteenth district convention held at Edgeley, receipts \$9.15.

Kintyre union reports two contests held, one a class of young ladies and the other a L. T. L. contest class of boys. The LaMoire L. T. L. held the last of their series of L. T. L. silver medal contests June 1st. Three new members were gained for the Legion.

Interest the Y. P. B., the L. T. L. and S. S. children and secure their co-operation in holding contests. Let me help you in any way that I can.
EMMA LOCKWOOD, State Supt.
Valley City, N. Dak.

MRS. A. E. CARMAN, NATIONAL SUPT.

If any have an idea that it is not necessary to do a medal contest work because they live where a prohibitory law is on the statute books, let them at once disabuse their minds of the thought. The value to the young people from a cultural viewpoint alone is worth the effort, but there are other reasons. Nearly all moral questions are touched upon in the selections in our books of recitations—social purity, anti-narcotics, suffrage, penology, anti-gambling, enforcement of law, missionary work, etc. Teachers write me that the best readers they have in school are those who have been in contests. Pastors of churches say that such people are the most efficient helpers in the Sunday school and in the young people's societies. We have created through this department some of the best workers we have in the organization. As a developer of good citizenship there is nothing that will bring better results than contests. Three of the four states that are doing the finest work today are prohibition states. Take Kansas for an example. The state W. C. T. U. president writes:

"I think if there is a state in the Union interested in medal contest work it is Kansas. We have a woman in the field who goes from town to town drilling the children. We have offered to make up deficits to pay for diamond and grand gold medals, as an inducement to get the young people to hold that kind of a contest. I have seldom in my lifetime made a speech without emphasizing the benefit of contest work."

Of course the states that are out for state-wide prohibition are holding contests. The president of Ohio says, "We are going to do a whole lot of contest work this year, for I verily believe we can reach more doubtful workers through that department than in any other way." In reply to the question, "Is it necessary to have a new recitation book?" she adds, "I have looked over Numbers 19 and 20 and find them very good. While we could use a new book to advantage, we can get along well with these." And Ohio has held more contests the past few years than any other state. North Dakota, a prohibition state, employs a contest worker, who organizes, as well as coaches, classes.

Results show that the work pays, not only educationally, but financially. Iowa has two or three contest trainers, all doing excellently. Other states are working along the same line. There never will be a time when contests can-

not be made popular and helpful. We, as an organization, do not take advantage of this opportunity as we should. The schools are very much interested and we should enter every open door. The children and young people who take part in contests may be used to great advantage in campaign work.

We have just received several thousand copies of the catalogues. These will be furnished for postage. They contain a general plan of work. The leaflet, "The Medal Contest Catechism" and "How to Advertise," also the rules, should be sent to each local union, which should be taught how to do the work and make it a financial success.

5414 Broadway, Chicago, Ill.

TEMPERANCE ESSAY CONTEST AT UNIVERSITY

The Annual Temperance Essay Contest in the Model High School at the University of North Dakota was completed yesterday morning and the cash prizes in gold were awarded to the winners.

The regular assembly hour was devoted to the reading of the essays. Mrs. A. D. Baughman, of the Grand Forks W. C. T. U., presided and in a witty address expressed the appreciation of the W. C. T. U., for the work done in the contest by the students who wrote, in all, sixty essays, and to Miss Edna Twamley, who had charge of the work in her English classes, and to Mrs. Alice V. Hull, who has been instrumental in making the work a success. Mrs. Baughman expressed special thanks.

The prizes were awarded by Mrs. Lillie B. Smith of Thompson. The first prize of \$10 went to Miss Gladys Froats, on her essay on "The Influence of Women in Temperance Work." This essay will be entered in the national contest. The second prize of \$5 was divided between Frank Jenkins and Roscoe Kelly, who has left for service in the navy. The essay by Mr. Jenkins was on "A Menace to the Nation." It will be entered in the state essay contest on Narcotics. The third prize of \$2.50 was awarded to Mr. Arthur Dibbern.

The prize money was given by Mr. M. F. Murphy of Grand Forks, whose interest and financial assistance has made possible these prizes for a number of years and has stimulated the unusually large number of essay contestants.

Those who received honorable mention are: Martha Shulstad, Isabella Gemmel, Eleanor Morrill, Fridjon Thorleifson, Leroy Cabbage, Maurice Gessner, Alfred Thorwaldson, and Ella Moen.—The Bureau of Public Information of the University of North Dakota, May 31, 1917.

DEPT. OF MORAL EDUCATION

Dear White Ribbon Comrades:—

While so much earnest effort is being made for the physical comfort and moral well-being of the enlisted men some of our mother-hearted women are asking what can be done for the protection of foolish, impulsive girls who are fascinated by a khaki uniform.

The aftermath of every recruiting season is a harvest of "war babies" whose mothers are not wives. The department of Moral Education has some definite work for the protection of girls and women living in the vicinity of mobilization and training stations, but in addition to this every local union is urged to take up systematic work for the arousing of parents and friends to a keener realization of dangers for girls which are multiplied and emphasized by war time conditions.

Write to your state superintendent for full information and suggestions. If you have no state superintendent write direct to our National Superintendent who will gladly give all possible help.

Dear women, let a part of your "bit" be the saving of the girls of your com-

munity. In so doing you will render a patriotic service of untold value and blessing.

Yours for service,
MARY E. BROWN,
National Supt. Moral Education,
3188 Arcade Building, Seattle, Wash.

DEPT. FLOWER MISSION

Epping R. 2, N. D., June 16, 1917.

Dear Co-Workers:—

Our National Superintendent, Miss Lella M. Sewall, urges that special effort be made for the French Orphans thru this department. She writes: "The needs of the Fatherless Children of France have become so urgent that I am sending a second appeal to you, asking that you bend every effort to have, not only one, but as many as possible, become the proteges of the W. C. T. U. in your state. This is an emergency work which must be done now, and I ask that no stone be left unturned, no opportunity neglected to raise the money for these orphans. Our organization could and should adopt hundreds of these dear children. The local unions are taking up this work in several states, cannot your unions get up an entertainment of some kind, or have a strawberry festival or cake and candy sale to raise the money, \$36.50, for one child one year? Two or three unions could work together and thus get into touch personally with one or more of these children."

Theodore Roosevelt wrote: "Side by side with men who fought our Revolutionary War stood the soldiers of France under LaFayette, Rochambeau and their fellows. It was this aid of French soldiers, combined with loans of French ships and gifts of French money, which made possible the success of our struggle for independence. This service, which France rendered to us, was declared by Washington to call for 'unalterable gratitude.' It constitutes a debt of honor which every American should regard as a sacred obligation, to be repaid whenever the opportunity arises. In paying our debt to France, we also render the greatest possible service to humanity as a whole. France is fighting today for her very existence as a nation, she is fighting our battles as well as her own, fighting for American ideals, for democracy and civilization. She needs our help. It is estimated that half a million French children have lost their fathers in this war. The government, staggering under the stupendous financial burdens of the war, can contribute only partially to the support of these children. They must have quick and generous aid, or many of them will perish."

Not in this generation has there arisen a greater opportunity for service, patriotic or humanitarian, than now confronts us. Here is one of the needs. Money should be sent direct to Miss Sewall, through our own state treasurer. He gives twice who gives quickly! Shall we not carry this in our hearts until definite action is taken? "For all we can hold in our cold, dead hand

Is what we have given away."

Very sincerely yours,
M. INEZ LEE.

FIELD NOTES.

WOODWORTH.—The ladies of the W. C. T. U. gave a very enjoyable reception at the home of Mrs. B. A. Norris, in honor of Mrs. Fred Wanner, of Jamestown, our district superintendent, May 28. The following program was given: Song, Blest Be the Tie That Binds; devotional, Mrs. Brown; song, He Leadeth Me; reading, Miss Belya Norris; solo, Mrs. Nygaard; recitation, Esther Larson; violin solo, Rev. Brown; solo, Mrs. Chas. Leman; address, Mrs. Wanner; solo, Mrs. A. D. Anderson; duet, Miss Gust and Mrs. Anderson. After which a delicious luncheon was served by the ladies of the union. —Mrs. Chas. Leman, Press Cor.

SUFFRAGE NOTES

Over eight and one-half million women in the United States can vote for President. They have a vote in electing 172 of the 531 members of the electoral college who elect the President of the United States. Arizona, California, Colorado and Washington are the only states in the union which have eight-hour laws for working women. Note that these are suffrage states.

Nebraska has recently been granted Presidential suffrage. It is a far cry from 1856 when the legislative body of that state voted upon the question of woman's suffrage—first in the history of the union. The women have been tenacious, however, as the question has been submitted to the vote of the people twice since that time, and was defeated both times. Here is hoping that a full victory will soon be theirs.

We wish it were possible to have a list of the suffrage states published each month in the Bulletin—we are making suffrage history so rapidly these days that it is hard to keep up with it. The following list bears the date of June 14:

SUFFRAGE STATUS

WHERE WOMEN HAVE FULL SUFFRAGE	
Wyoming	Kansas
Colorado	Oregon
Idaho	Arizona
Utah	Nevada
Washington	Montana
California	Alaska
PRESIDENTIAL AND MUNICIPAL SUFFRAGE	
Illinois	Nebraska
Indiana	North Dakota
PRESIDENTIAL SUFFRAGE	
Michigan	Ohio
	Rhode Island
SUFFRAGE AT PRIMARIES	
	Arkansas
MUNICIPAL SUFFRAGE	
	Vermont
STATES WHICH WILL VOTE	
Maine	South Dakota
New York	Oklahoma
	Michigan

When we stop to think that all men born in foreign countries who become citizens are naturalized by the Federal government, all Negroes were enfranchised by the same power, all Indians are enfranchised by the Federal government, it seems only just that women who are really people should be enfranchised in the same way. This would save a world of work, worry and expense, caused by asking all the men of the nation, learned or ignorant, good and bad, to give us the vote. Every effort should be used to secure National Suffrage by federal amendment when Congress convenes in regular session in December, by having the federal amendment submitted. It has seemed best not to urge this measure at this special session of Congress, but we must be ready to do our best, later on.

One of the pioneer workers for woman's suffrage, way back in the forties, recently passed to the great Beyond—Mrs. Belva A. Lockwood. She was the only woman who ever ran for president. She was candidate of the Woman's Equal Rights party against Blaine and Cleveland in 1884 and against Harrison and Cleveland in 1888. Alone and single handed she fought for years for the right of women to be admitted to practice in the supreme court of the United States. She succeeded, and was the first woman to be admitted. She worked for years for girls to attend high schools, for women to teach, equal guardianship laws for parents of minor children, and for women to hold property. A short time ago in recalling the early work of this woman a New York paper referred to the late Belva Lockwood, "but was surprised to receive a letter from her a few days later stating that she was not dead, but was living in Washington enjoying the political situation very much. Since then she passed on at the age of 86. Her funeral was very large, Dr. Anna Shaw, Bishop Hamilton, three former pastors, and Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis

being the speakers. The officers of the District W. C. T. U. acted as honorary guard while the body lay in state in the church of which she was a member.—E. M. S.

WATCHING WOMAN SUFFRAGE WORK

BY FRED B. MORRILL*

I was an opponent of woman suffrage prior to its adoption in the state of Washington. I worked and voted against it each time it was before the male voters of the state. My training and environment had led me to believe that the affairs of government should be under the exclusive control of man. Yet it is with much pleasure that I embrace the opportunity of declaring that after carefully observing its effects during the time equal suffrage has been in operation in this state, I am convinced that my former views upon the subject were entirely wrong. I think that women vote as intelligently and as honestly as men, and I know that they are more interested in an honest and efficient government.

In the practice of my profession I have found women jurors earnest and conscientious, giving careful attention to the testimony of the witnesses and the instructions of the court, ever anxious to administer justice fairly and impartially.

Women are as much interested in good government and in the welfare of their country as men, and yet we have declared to the whole female sex that they cannot enjoy the right of franchise just because they are women, although we have allowed the vile and the unclean, ignorant and vicious to vote, simply because they are of the male gender. That cannot be right and is not treating the women fairly.

As men, we claim the right to decide whether woman shall have the right of franchise. We are not even willing they should have the privilege of deciding that question for themselves. That is absurd and shows how selfish we men are. As men we even interpret the Federal Constitution against them.

I am heartily in sympathy with the movement for a Federal Law granting to women equal suffrage with the men. I believe they are entitled to it under the Constitution of the United States, a constitution that guarantees equal rights to all, regardless of race, color or previous condition of servitude.—The Woman Citizen, New York City.

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FACTS THAT MUST BE FACED NOW OR LATER

1. The British drink trade has destroyed during the war sufficient food to have supplied the entire British army during that time.
 2. If Great Britain had prohibited drink in August, 1914, she would today have had a surplus of food equal to three months' supply, instead of being faced by near-famine.
 3. The British drink trade has during the war wasted shipping space equivalent to one trip of 5,400,000 tons.
 4. The British drink trade has during the war wasted labor equivalent to the idleness for 100 days of the entire United Kingdom.
 5. The British drink trade has during the war resulted in a money waste equivalent to the last gigantic British loan of \$5,000,000,000.
- Lost millions, lost food, lost labor, lost shipping space, lost men!
- The vital question of the hour is: ARE WE GOING TO ALLOW DRINK TO DO THE SAME THING TO US?—Methodist Episcopal Temperance Committee.

The raw material of the public house is the boy; its finished product is the drunkard.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

We have just started the plan of getting one dollar from each of a thousand people. Hon. A. G. Divet of Fargo was the first to give a dollar, and second on the list is Senator Pendray of Jamestown. Mrs. Clendening of Wimbledon sent in the next dollar. This gives Twelfth district the lead at the start with Fifteenth district second. I am sorry that more have not reported this month but expect a very different showing when it is time to make out next month's report. I am sure that many members of the W. C. T. U. are at work on this plan now and that we shall have a shower of dollars this coming month. There are many people who will be glad to give a dollar to the work of the W. C. T. U. who are not members. Try it and you will be surprised to find how this plan works out.

The following unions and individuals have sent in dues, pledges and gifts since the 25th of May.

Crary, dues	\$ 70
Woodworth, dues	5 60
Sawyer, dues	2 10
Antler, L. T. L. dues	90
Lillie B. Bowers, Essay prize	5-00
Lawton, dues	70
Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson, Essay prize, Red Cross, headquarters	10 00
Churches Ferry, dues	6 30
Hofflund, dues, Essay prize	5 70
Minto, dues	75
Bowdon, dues	70
Sherwood, dues	70
Gilby, life member, memorial, Stevens	14 00
Fargo Scandinavian, Stevens	5 00
Mr. Murphy, Essay prize	18 00
LaMoore, dues	6 30
Edgeley, dues	23 10
University, Y. P. B. dues	2 50
Valley City Scandinavian, dues	2 10
Walhalla, dues	7 00
Hurdsfield, dues	6 30
Grafton, dues, L. T. L. dues	10 00
Englevale, dues	2 10
Hankinson, dues	1 40
Tolley, dues	2 80
Carrington, dues, headquarters	6 40
Bay Center, dues, memorial	4 10
Willard Union, dues	2 00
First District, life member	10 00
Eighteenth District, state	25 00
Woodbury, Y. P. B. dues	60
Grand Forks Scandinavian, dues, state, Chautauqua, memorial, legislative, Stevens, headquarters, minutes	45 00

MINETTE B. BOWE.

THE TAIN OF INCONSISTENCY

"We are going to fight the battle of the world," said Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the National American Woman Suffrage Association in Chicago not long ago. "Every woman in the land should arise now and say: 'Before we unfurl the banner of democracy abroad, let us be consistent at home—let us remove from our standard the taint of inconsistency.' Every woman will go into patriotic service better equipped if she has the vote."

Only the other day an ambulance doctor was talking in a hospital elevator to nurses who are going to France. They were coddling sore and stiff arms pumped full of typhoid serum, but they were eager to be off to the front, as eager as ever the doctor was. He was complaining that only fully naturalized men would be taken on hospital units. When the nurses suggested no such limit was set for the women, he answered, "Well, you aren't citizens and don't count—you can't vote." "No, we can't vote; but we can risk our lives to serve, all right," said one. Even as they spoke afternoon papers were calling extras on the street telling of the funeral ship bearing back to port the bodies of the Red Cross nurses of Base Unit No. 12, bound for France and shot in target practice out at sea.

A hospital is a poor place in which to draw distinctions between the service of men and women citizens, in war time. Maybe men in the ambulance

units get a little more glory and make more records for science; but in a hospital, as nowhere else, it is evident that women, not men, have the hardest job of all. They stand patient and undaunted by the long-drawn agony of the going out of life. And that is a thing no man could stand. War is no "man's job" when it comes to nursing the wounded and "standing by the dying."

MEXICO AND DEMOCRACY

While the United States has been observing with condescension the efforts of Mexico to establish a representative form of government, the sister republic has quietly "slipped one over" on the Yankees. By the simple expedient of not writing her out of it, the new constitution permits women to vote. The right was freely exercised at the polls in Mexico City at the last election and went unchallenged. Difficulties may be encountered by women in certain localities, due to ignorance and local prejudice but, on the whole, the wife of a Mexican peon enjoys a more exalted position in the eyes of the law than that of the wife of a Massachusetts Supreme Court Judge.

"SHOOT THE BOOZE"

Collier's has coined a phrase that is becoming exceedingly popular in the United States. It is "Shoot the Boozie at the Kaiser."

The argument is that the United States needs all the alcohol it can make for munitions, and during war-time no other consideration is worth while save, how to win the war.

This recalls Lloyd George's statement when, in facetiously speaking of himself, as the greatest brewer and distiller in the world, he explained that the liquor he was making was for munition purposes, and said, "If the whiskey bullets I am making for the Germans do them as much damage as the whiskey would Englishmen, I will be abundantly satisfied."

Canada has become one of the great sources of supplying the munitions for the Allies.

Canadian distilleries are working on the manufacture of alcohol for munitions. Why should we not take all the booze there is in Canada today and "shoot it at the Kaiser" for the overthrow of military despotism rather than swallowing it for the undermining of the strength of Canada.

No better use can be made of Canadian booze than to ship it to Germany from the muzzles of our cannon in the form of high explosives. Drink causes destruction wherever it goes. Let the destruction be within the German lines, not within ours. Let us "Shoot the boozie at the Kaiser."

A great gathering of literary people was held in New York and one of the speakers, an editor of the Chinese newspaper, was incensed by the exclusion of Chinamen from the United States. He said: "You have singled my people from all creation, as unworthy of your hospitality, yet you let in the Italian, the Hun, the Turk, the Jew and the Russian, the under-world of Europe and Asia, the idle, the ignorant, and criminal, and you shut out the peaceable and industrious Chinese, because you say we are heathen and smoke opium. You say the truth. We are heathen and we do smoke opium, but you are Christian and you drink whiskey. Opium makes him sleep and harmless; whiskey wakes up the devil and he acts like a brute. 'Melican man come home full whiskey, kicks wife; Chinaman come home full of opium, wife kick him. You be Christian; we be heathen.'"

"An ounce of taffy is worth a pound of epitaphy." It is better daily to strew the pathway of life with flowers than to save them all for a wreath to lay on a coffin. "As we have, therefore, opportunity, let us do good unto all men."