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### CONVENTION CALL.

The thirty-fourth annual convention of the W. C. T. U. of North Dakota will be held, September 21-24, in the Epworth Methodist church at Valley City. As the National W. C. T. U. begins, this year, the celebration of its fiftieth anniversary, the state meeting will partake of the nature of the Jubilee.

Two of the best National speakers available have been secured—Mrs. Nelle G. Burger, the gifted and gracious president of the Missouri W. C. T. U. and Mrs. Maude B. Perkins, National Y. P. B. Secretary, we'l known and loved in North Dakota.

Valley City ladies are making extensive preparations for our coming and a Get-Acquainted dinner, the first evening, will be a pleasing social event. The following chairmen of convention committees have been appointed: General arrangements, Mrs. Seymour Granger; Entertainment, Mrs. Lulu W Zimmerman; Reception, Mrs. Olaf Olsby; Finance, Mrs. Mary Zetterberg; Banquet, Mrs. Harvey Taylor; Music, Mrs. J. S. Wilds; Platform, Mrs. S. S. Tuttle; Postoffice, Miss Ruby Davidson.

Delegates will be entertained for room and breakfast. Names should be sent, not later than Sept. 10th, to the chairman of the entertainment committee, Mrs. Lulu Wylie Zimmerman, 707 Euclid Avenue.

The state executive committee will meet Friday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, and all members are urged to be present, as important business will be transacted.

Railroad fare to state convention will be paid any woman who has gained twenty new members during the year, the dues having been paid into the state treasury. The state treasurer's books will close Sept. 10.

According to the Constitution, the membership of the state convention is 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 from each local union, and one for every thirty members, also one L. T. L. delegate for every. \$5.00 L. T. L. dues paid into the state treasury, said delegate to be an L. T. L. superintendent.

The executive committee is composed of the trustees, 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

### SOLDIERS AND SAILORS DEPT.

Dear Co-Workers:-

Once more I am in "the good old U. S. A., as our "solder boys" used to call this blessed land of ours. I am eager to hear from you as to what you have been doing in this Soldiers and Sailors Dept. work during my long absence in foreign lands.

Let us think for a moment about all the young men, almost boys, who are in our navy, army, marines, court guards and merchant marines. Think of them, most of the time far, far from all "Homey" influences, then imagine the many temptations, subtle and glaring but all hard to resist when one is lonesome and there are no homelike places to go, and letters from home are so long in coming and no one seems to care. Think of the patient, suffering, thousands of hospitals. Then start in and work harder than ever this year.

The work was so splendidly done last year that the war department has taken notice of it thru the "Chief of Chaplains," Colonel Axton, who has asked that a special resume of cur activities in this department be sent him for embodiment in his Annual report for the U: S. Gov't.

The need for Sunshine and Comfort Bags still continues, and bright colored soft afghans are still in great demand. The Panama Canal Zone chaplain has again sent in a plea for 500 comfort bags to be sent him by Jan. 1, 1924, when about that number of his men will be sent out into the jungles on military duty. Claude S. Harkey, Chaplain U. S. Army Canal Zone.

And now, too, I have come to you with a new plea. When in Liverpool, Eng., little "Mother Fisher" of the Y. M. C. A., renowned for her wonderful work with the U. S. Merchant Marines, pleaded for more good reading material to be sent to the ships. Our Supt. in the port cities easily obtains information from the

the superintendents of departments. The Y. P. B. is entitled to representation in the state convention on the same basis as the W. C. T. U. Delegates and ex-officio representatives must be young women.

Realizing anew our dependence upon our Heavenly Father, let us baptize all work with prayer and follow all prayer with work, and let us observe Friday, September 14th as a da, of special prayer for Divine guidance in our convention, and all our work, at this most crucial time. Elizabeth Preston Anderson,

President. Barbara H. Wylie, Cor. Sec'y. shipping companies when a ship wil! be in port. The officers in charge will be glad of fresh reading matter for their crews.

Most sincerely yours,
Rebecca Naomi Rhoads,
Bellefonte, Penn.
Nat'l Supt. Soldiers and Sailors.

Report From United States of America W. C. T. U. Soldiers & Sailors Department April 1920 to. November, 1922.

Great increase in work done and interest shown in 1922 over previous year—36 states reported.

Fifty-four W. C. T. U. rooms in operation, 22 opened in 1922—Y. P. P. of 105 members organized in the San Diego, California, Home Centre, 505 religious meetings held 545 conversions

1620 letters received from "boys" 200,000 pages of literature 90,433 magazines and books 576 cakes

9.980 boquets flowers 1,246 Scrap Books

202 Musical instruments 228 Union Signal subscriptions 2,748 pledges 2,386 letters written to "boys"

5,020 Testaments, Bibles. Gospels given

13,307 Comfort and Sunshine Bags 42,557 Cookies 8,601 lbs. (over 4½ tons) candy given

511 Hobson's Book on Alcohol 11,562 Postcards 257 Afghans and quilts

Athletic equipment, radio outfit, etc.,

\$16,247.48 was spent (though not all is ever reported), the \$4,000 War Fund Residue given American Legion by the National W. C. T. U. not being included.

Dear Women of W. C. T. U .:

Now you hear this call for Comfort and Sunshine begs, so please get busy and see what you can do Please knit at every business meeting (same as in war time) afgian squares. If every union would exam ine their service flag and see what could be done for the boys, the work would be evenly divided.

I am now again sending out to each union plan of work for 1923 and directions for making afghans and lags, also program for Soldiers and Sailors meeting. Could not each union make and fill two comfort bags to be sent to the Panama Canal Zone? Ecspitals are also calling for pajama suits for the boys in the hospitals.

Please have each union get up a Soldiers and Sailors meeting before next month and call for a general

offering. Make good use of this offering in giving and making bags and afghans.

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. F. E. Bye, State Supt.
W.C.T. U. Soldiers & Sailors.
Gilby, N. D.

# HONOR ROLL

# Dues and Budget

Bismarck Lawton Buxton Minto Calvin Minnewaukan Cando Mayville Clyde New Rockford Crystal Springs Niagara Dickinson Oberon Edmore Page Ellendale Portal Esmond Prosper Forest River Ray Gilby Reeder Hankinson Rolling Green Hunter Rutland LaMoure Wyndmere Grand Forks Scan.

# Budget

Balfour Hatton
Drayton Nekoma
Egeland Rock Lake
Fairmount Rolla
Fargo Scan. Rugby
Jamestown

# Dues

Leeds

Barton

Bowesmont McGill
Carrington Minot
Devils Lake Napoleon
Douglas Ryder
Hansboro Sheldon
Inkster Tyner
Larimore Walhalla

Our new fans are atractively decorated in Patriotic Colors, and carry their own appeal. Will be sure to please.

Price per one-half dozen, 40 cents; one dozen, 70 cents; two dozen, \$1.35; 100, \$5.00.

(Please send remittance with order)

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Just what you want for the Summer Series of Contests.

Price 20 cents. Please send remittance with order.

NAT'L W. C. T. U. PUB. HOUSE EVANSTON, ILL.

# WHITE RIBBON BULLETIN promptness of our efficient corres-

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#### PRESIDENT'S CORNER.

Dear Comrades:-

The two great events of our W. C. T. U. year are at hand: The National Convention at Columbus, Ohio, September 4-14, which celebrates the fiftieth anniversary of the Crusad and also begins the Jubilee year of continent-wide celebrations; and the State Convention at Valley City, Sept. 21-24, celebrating the thirtyfourth anniversary of the North Dakota W. C. T. U.

At the National convention, special honor will be given to the crusaders. At the state convention, special honor will be given to the pioneers. program for both of these conventions is unusual. I wish every one of you could enjoy the thrill of joy, inspiration and courage that will come to those who are privileged to attend these meetings.

Our delegation to the National convention is not full as some of those who were elected delegates will not be able to go. We will be glad to have the names of white-ribboners of the state who can go to Columbus. There is a rate of a fare and a half on the certificate plan. Tickets mag be purchased Aug. 31st to Sept. 6th and are good until midnight of Sept. 18th-that is, the purchaser must be at the end of her destination on or before midnight of Sept. 18th. Executive and Official Board meetings are included in the dates, Sept. 4-14. The convention begins Sept. 7th and closes Sept. 12th.

Comparatively few of our women will be able to attend the great Columbus convention, but every union in the state ought to be represented at Valley City. It will be a fine investment and pay back rich dividends to the work, if every union will pay the railroad fare of its president to this meeting. The money could easily be raised by an ice cream social or sup-

Among the helpful features for workers will be an hour devoted to "Problems of the Local Unions," also a demonstration of Law Enforcement by Rev. and Mrs. F. L. Watkins, Mrs. Nelle G. Burger, the eloquent president of the Missouri W. C. T. U., and Mrs. Maude B. Perkins, the popular National Y. P. B. Secretary, will be the convention speakers. Details of program are given elsewhere. possible, have a full delegation from your union. It will be well worth making a real sacrifice in order w come. Plan to be present at the Get-Acquainted Dinner, Friday evening at 6:30, and remain until the benediction is pronounced Monday afternoon. Valley City has an enviable reputation for hospitality throughout the state, and they are making great plans for our coming.

We were delighted to be able to send to our beloved National President, Miss Gordon, a birthday bouquet of 415 "North Dakota Wild Roses"-415 names of new members who have pledged allegiance to the Constitution and who will be enrolled at our Legislative Headquarters at affair. Congratulatory addresses, ex-

ponding secretary, Mrs. Wylie, our 'bouquet" had the honor of being the We first to arrive at Evanston. thank the 42 unions that thus helped to honor our chieftain and are very happy to welcome the new members. We are exceedingly anxious that these new members shall represent a net gain. You remember last year, at our Fargo convention, we presented to Miss Gordon the names of more than 600 new Anna A. Gordon members, and yet the treasurer's books showed a loss instead of a gain. While the delegates went home and collected sufficient dues from members, who had failed to pay, to more than make this up before the National convention, yet it shows us how tremendously important it is that dues be collected from every old member, as well as from the new members. A lapse of two or three in each union makes a big loss for the state.

The big thing now which should have special attention in every union is the collection of ALL dues and seeing that these dues are paid to the state treasurer, Mrs. W. E. Black, Fargo, BEFORE her books close, September 10th.

I greatly enjoyed a general officers' conference at Oak Lodge, our summer home, June 26 and 27. Mrs. Wanner, Mrs. Wylie and Mrs. Black were present. We greatly regretted that Mrs. Beasley was unable to be with us. Plans were made for the state convention and for the work in general.

At the close of that week, I went to North Chautauqua where our W. C. T. U. Institute began Sunday, July 1st, with a fine address to a large audience by Judge Chas. A. Pollock, and closed Saturday, July 7th. Mrs. Necia E. Buck, who, we are happy to note, seems to have entirely regained her usual health and enthusiasm, had charge of Baldwin Cottage and assisted in the Institute work. The attendance and interest were better than usual. Eleven unions were represented there. Mrs. J. M. Chidister, president of the Devils Lake union, has secured twenty new members and they are very proud of their new Y. P. B.

Mrs. Edna F. Duguid, president of the First district, was present at the closing meeting, bringing with her a delegation from Cando. I returned with them and spent Sunday and Monday at the beautiful farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Duguid. On Monday I had the pleasure of speaking at a W. C. T. U. picnic at Snyder Lake. The unions of Cando, Egeland, Rock Lake, Hansboro and Rolla were represented, and white-ribboners were present from Maza and Bisbee. bountiful dinner was served, each union furnishing one or two things, and a delightful social time was enjoyed. This was one of Mrs. Duguid's bright ideas and I heartily recommend W. C. T. U. picnics to increase interest in our great work.

On July 14th occurred the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Heidel of Valley City. Heidel is a member of the executive committee of the North Dakota Enforcement League and Mrs. Heidel is a former state treasurer and now a trustee of the State W. C. T. U. The hospitable home and spacious lawn were thronged with guests who thoroughly enjoyed this most delightful Washington, D. C. Because of the pressing appreciation of their work Y. P. B. COLUMN.

I believe in the boys and girls, world citizens of a great tomorrow. I believe that we reap what we "The boy is the father to the sow. man."

I believe it is more necessary for a boy to believe in the single standard and know how to pass up a cigaret than to pass in arithmetic

I believe it is more necessary for a girl to maintain her high idealism and decline to lower her standard of womanliness, than to be able to decline all the nouns in existence. As the girl goeth so goeth the boy.

I believe that wisdom is gained from example as well as the printed page. A noble life is the greatest teacher.

I believe in the opportunities of today and the promises of tomorrow.

I believe in life, love and laughter and the castles and dreams that lure

I believe to each one who lives ais dreams, there comes a glad day of ripened fruition.

Dear Comrades of theW. C. T. U .: Do you believe in the above creed? Do you believe that it has any reference to the young people of your community? Who is responsible for its application to these young people? Is it possible that your duty lies that way? "Too busy?" "So many other things?" Are you sure that the many things you are too busy with are as important as this? Why not think and pray this out during the quiet hour in the "secret place" and let the Master direct you? If you have that in you which enables you to be a leader of young people, there is surely a wonderful harvest ready and the reapers are so few, so pitifully few. This harvest is ready in your town-young people are ready to be trained for service, eager for bigger, better things to do-will you be the reaper, and consecrate your talent to the Master's service, "just where you are?"

We are hoping and praying for the organization of the young people wherever there is a W. C. T. U. The logical time to organize is at the opening of the school year. Make your plans now and be ready, when school opens, to line up the young people for a full year's program.

Mrs. Maude B. Perkins, National Secretary of the Young People's Branch, is to be a guest at the state convention at Valley City. greet her with many new organizations and a greatly increased membership. Will District Presidents please send me the name and address of their district Y. P. B. Secretary, AT ONCE?

Devils Lake Organizes-who will be next?

Devils Lake organized a Y. P. B. in June, with a charter membership of seventeen and several new names

in the church and community, were given by the present pastor, Rev. J. S. Wilds, and the former pastor, Rev. Jas. Anderson. Mrs. Heidel wore her wedding gown. The length and fullness of the skirt somewhat impeded her usual free and graceful movements and gave a striking illustration of the improvement made in women's dress in the last twenty-five

Yours faithfully, Elizabeth Preston Anderson. have already been added. For the present, they hold a meeting every week, but when school opens, they will take up the regular program, outlined in the Year Book. Wednesday, July 18th, they spent the day at Baldwin Cottage, North Chautauqua, the guests of the state W. C. T. U. The Devils Lake union helped with the lunch, served at noon on the spacious porch, where a picnic lunch was again served at seven o'clock. Mr. Flackler, Boy Scout Master for the Lake Region, gave the girls some Scout work in the morning. Following lunch, a business meeting was held and the remainder of the day was spent in games, singing, story telling and bathing.

The Y. P. B. Secretary or Supervisor is Mrs. Herman Halle. The officers are-President, Miss Anna Serumgard; Vice President, Miss Nellie Stansbury; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Bernice Weed; Recording Secretary, Miss Elizabeth Drew; Treasurer, Miss Maxine Scarf.

We predict at least, a tripled membership by convention time. Devils Lake plans to organize an L. T. L. as soon as school opens in September.

Yours, for the young people, Necia E. Buck.

# FIELD NOTES.

On June 14th Miss Verda May Brindle, president of the Ninth district, became the bride of Mr. R. Paul Buck of Temvik. Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Buck from the white-ribbon sisterhood.

Bismarck union held a meeting at the Indian School when a good program was given. The Indian girls sang and gave readings. They united with some of the members in putting on a playlet, "A Mock Trial of King Alcohol.'

At the first meeting of the newly organized union at La Moure, a pro gram of unusual interest was presented. Many honorary members were present. The president, Mrs. C. A. Finch, called upon the Rev. Mr. Myers to conduct devotions. Mr. C. H. Pollock gave a vocal solo, Rev. O. E. Tourtelotte spoke on "The Eighteenth Amendment," and Judge C. W. Davis took for his topic "Making the La Moure W. C. T. U. a Community Affair." The Judge reported having secured the signatures of forty honoraries, while Mrs. Davis reported the names of forty-seven ladies who had signed the pledge. Each quarter, the honorary members are invited to attend and are allowed to vote on the proceedings.

With deep regret we record the passing of our former friend and coworker, Mrs. Mary Brooks of Towner, June 4th, from bronchial pneumonia. A high tribute to her beautiful life was paid by the Rev. C. H. Grube, who conducted the burial. Coming to North Dakota in 1892, Mrs. Brooks was one of the pioneers who helped to make the state. Very early, she joined the W. C. T. U. and, all her life, was faithful to its interests. She was, for a time, president of the Third district, and held other important offices. Our sympathy is extended to the relatives and friends who will miss her most.

Catherine Waugh McCullough, a prominent attorney of Chicago, says: Prohibition has been better enforced in three years than the ten commandments have been in four thousand years."

#### SECRETARY'S CORNER.

Dear Comrades:-

Four of the general officers spent two days in June at Oak Lodge, the beautiful summer home of Rev. and Mrs. Anderson, our president, demonstrating her ability to entertain as well as to preside. Combining busi-ness with pleasure, we made many plans for the work. The nomination of the following delegates to National Convention at Columbus, Ohio, was ratified: Mrs. E. C. Watkins, Fargo; Mrs. M. A. Garry, Leeds; Mrs. Chas. Scott, Jamestown; Mrs. Henry Warren. Forest River; Mrs. W. B. Simcox, Park River; Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, Fargo, delegate at large. Alternates: Mrs. Myrta Muir, Hunter; Miss Nellie Whitcomb, Oberon; Mrs. Geo. E. Black, Grand Forks; Mrs. H. H. Olson, Ray; Mrs. Ella C. Boise, Bismarck; Mrs. Annie F. Catherwood, Park River. We are sorry that some of these have already informed us they cannot attend. There will be plenty of room for any white-ribboners, who attend, to be made delegates to this wonderful convention.

From Oak Lodge, Mrs. Wanner and I drove to the comfortable cottage of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. B. Reed, pleasantly located on Twin Lakes, where we spent a delightful time with our former state treasurer and her lovely family. Since then, I have had the privilege of a short visit in Bismarck, where I met several of our comrades, and also at Valley City, where I had the opportunity of attending a regular meeting of the union and of hearing Mrs. Geo. M. Young of Washington, D. C., give, in a very interesting way, some glimpses into the home life of a U. S. Congressman's wife. Later, I met with the executive committee and learned of their excellent plans for the state convention.

We have been fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. Kate S. Wilder for some field work this summer. May 31st she went to La Moure, where she organized a union with Mrs. C. A. Finch, president, Mrs. J. H. Winslow, secretary and Mrs. Julius Johnson, treasurer. June 13 and 14 were spent at Forest River at the 17th district convention. Later, Mrs. Wilder spoke at Grafton and at several points in 18th district. This week, she attended a convention of the 13th district at Sheldon. Every where, she is heard with much interest and her addresses are highly commended.

Mrs. Necia E. Buck, when we last wrote, was visiting unions in Fifth district. There she spent 16 days, giving 32 addresses, speaking in Sunday Schools, public schools and at S. S. conventions. She organized a new union at Marmon, Mrs. C. Olson, president; Mrs. Anton Amundson, Cor. Sec. and Mrs. John Opsal, treasurer. There are 18 active and two honorary members. At Powers Lake a union was organized with twelve active and two honorary members. The president is Mrs. Erling S. Monnes; Cor. Sec'y, Miss Esther Breding and treasurer, Mrs. O. T. Olson.

Mrs. Buck succeeded in reorganizing several sleeping unions and gave a general stimulus to the work. More than 100 new members were secured in the district. From there, Fourth district was visited where she gave 18 addresses and visited 20 homes. She spoke at church services, Ladies' Aid societies, picnics, conventions, at the re-union of the Luther League, the N. W. Baptist Association, and a

Daily Vacation Bible School. Twenty-three new members were secured. E Since July 1st Mrs. Buck has been at Baldwin Cottage, North Chautauqua, S looking after the interests of our work. In Mrs. Anderson's letter, you will read of the Institute held there. We are very grateful to Judge Chas. A. Pollock of Fargo, for his excellent address on the opening day, and appreciate the donation of his time and expenses to our work.

Mrs. Buck writes that she was about to accompany Mrs. Edna F. Duguid to Belcourt for a picnic reunion of the Rolla and Rolette unions. September 1st we hope to have Mrs. Buck begin work in the Ninth district. She is welcomed everywhere and people are enthusiastic about her fine ad-dresses.

Recently we were honored by a pleasant call from Mr. Frederick J. Libby, Executive Secretary of the National Council for Prevention of War, who offered to have sent to our unions the "Law, Not War" posters free, with the hope that they may be placed publicly, on the days appointed for this nation-wide demonstration July 28-29-and we trust this is being done. Anything we can do to create sentiment along this line is very much worth while.

The two Fargo unions had charge of a booth at the Fargo Fair where up-to-date posters were on display and a great many blotters and leaflets were distributed. A similar booth was maintained at the State Fair at Grand Forks, by the local union there. Valley City union had a rest room at their County Fair and we presume others have done similar work, who have not reported.

Let me thank the good, local corresponding secretaries who responded so promptly to my call for names of new members for Miss Gordon's birthday bouquet that we were able to have our 415 blossoms reach Evanston first. Miss Ina R. Johnson, our Assistant State Secretary of Y. P. B., who is attending summer school at Northwestern University, was a guest at Miss Gordon's birthday party, thus representing North Dakota on this very auspicious occasion."

Lovingly and loyally yours, Barbara H. Wylie. Fargo, N. Dak., July 28, 1923.

# TREASURER'S REPORT.

May 25th to July 28th, 1923 1st. Dist., Conv. Expenses ....\$10.00 Devils Lake, Life Membership

Mrs. Chas. Bosworth ..... 10.00 Rolla, same, Mrs. F. C. Galloway 10.00 Calvin, same, Mrs. D. J. Porter 10.00 Esmond L. T. L. dues ...... 1.80 Williston, dues ...... 18.20 15th Dist., Conc. Exp. ..... 10.00 Steele, L. T. L. dues ...... Wheelock, dues ..... Mrs. J. T. Phillips, Willard Memorial ..... 1.00 Mrs. E. O. Bailey, same ..... 1.00 Mrs. H. W. Rife same ..... 1.00 4th Dist., Conv. Exp. ..... 10.00 5th Dist., same ..... 10.00 La Moure, dues ......... 3.50 as soon as you possibly can.

	September 1
Sarton, dues 1	3.30
	7.00
lecia E. Buck, Col. in Field 2	8.51
Ray, dues 1	4.70
Hankinson, dues	2.80
	0.00
Rolling Green, bud. (com.)	3.60
Epping, dues	5.60
Epping, dues	3.50
Calvin, dues	1.40
Necia E. Buck. Hon. members.	39.90
Necia E. Buck, Hon. members, Col. in field	2.90
Ryder, dues	7.00
Fargo, dues	22,40 10.50
Devils Lake dues	2.80
Devils Lake, dues	3.50
Violet Olson, Willard Mem	1.00
Mrs. Martin Ault, same	1.00
Ellendale, dues Dickinson, dues	1.40
Valley City Scan., dues	1.40
Valley City Scan., dues Wildrose, dues	3.50
Necia E. Buck, Col. in field	9.36
Milnor, duesLa Moure, dues	5.63 25.56
Edgeley, dues	.70
Woodworth, dues	4.20
Devils Lake, dues	1.40
Jamestown, dues	7.00
	$80.00 \\ 13.65$
Tyner, budget	3.00
Cando, dues	14.00
Grand Forks, dues	25.20
Mrs. J. C. Black, Willard mem. Mrs. L. E. Perry, same	1.00
Mrs. Clara E. Glick, same	1.00 $1.00$
Fargo, Washington L. T. L	1.30
Egeland, dues	9.80
Same, Life mem. Mrs. Irwin	10.00
Ray, dues	2.80
Oberon, dues	23.30
Towner, dues	1.40
Mrs. O. M. Wallum, Wil. mem.	1.00
State Work	13.63
Elma P. Coffield, sub, to Wt.	
Ribbon Bulletin	1.60
Towers Lake, dues (new union)	6.30
Preston, dues	16.00
Mrs. Juliette Hove, Wil. mem.	1.00
Grafton, dues	4.90
Abercrombie, dues	18.20
Devils Lake, dues	60.00
Grand Forks, budget	.70
Edgeley, dues	15.40
Lawton, dues	9.80
Same, pledge	5.00 $31.20$
Same, budget (complete) Grafton, dues	10.50
Same, budget	39.00
Same, dues	10.50
Lawton, dues	2.10
Devils Lake, budget	
Nekoma, dues	1.00
Wheelock, dues	. 1.4
Jamestown, dues	4.20
Lovell, dues	6.30
Crystal Springs, dues	
Fargo, N. Dak., July 28, 1 Dear Sister Treasurer:—	1923.
Once more the call for Stat	e Con
vention has gone forth and one	e mor

Necia E. Buck, Col. in field .. 7.90 vention has gone forth and once more Fairmount, dues ...... 2.80 treasurer's books close Sept. 10th Same, Budget ...... 9.25 get are in before that date they vill Edmore, Budget (complete) . 25.20 not be included in this year's report. 11th Dist., Conv. Exp. ...... 10.00 In a few days you will be sent a Grand Forks, dues ....... 22.49 statement of all dues and budget sent Fargo Scan., dues ....... 49.70 me this year and also your gain or 

for me to record a loss in membership you would try a wee bit harder to send in enough to make a gain, which makes me want to celebrate. Please ask the old members once more for their dues and tell them how much we need them in our work "For God and home and every land."

Lovingly yours in the work, Mrs. W. E. Black, State Treasurer W. C. T. U.

# 2ND DISTRICT CONVENTION.

The 2nd district convention met at Oberon. Judge Pollock of Fargo and Miss Grace Scott of Indiana were the main speakers of the convention. We were fortunate, indeed, to secure two such fluent speakers.

Miss Scott was wonderful. spoke to about one hundred and fifty children of L. T. L. age, Wednesday afternoon a large audience, Wednesday evening and all the grade school children of Oberon public school, on Thursday morning-and we all would liked to hear her again.

Several other excellent addresses were given, namely: "Law Enforcement, Mrs. Garry, Leeds; "Americanization," Mrs. Bennett, Carrington;
"Social Purity," Mrs. Humphrey,
Minnewaukan; "Evils of Cigarettes," Mrs. Roach, New Rockford; "Report of the Mid-Year Meeting," at Fargo, Mrs. Nicholson, Carrington and "The Work of the Last State Legislature and Statistics of the Temperance-Work," Mrs. Buck, Jamestown.

A delegation of twenty L. T. L. members from Esmond visited the convention and rendered several excellent numbers for the Children's Hour, Wednesday afternoon.

The Oberon children rendered the playette entitled "The 18th Amendment Forever."

Six unions reported at this convention with a total membership of one hundred and twenty-five.

Four unions reported L. T. L.'s

NAT'L W. C. T. U. CONVENTION. To usher in its Jubilee Year with fitting ceremonies the National W. C. T. U. will hold its 1923 Convention in the Crusade State-Ohio. The convention will open September 7 in

Columbus and continue until September 13.

Mrs. Margaret Munns, National Treasurer, announces that the railroads will give special rates for the benefit of those attending the convention. They will give fare and onehalf, except in the far west where the summer season cut rates will be in effect. (See the Union Signal for further details.)

A special prize of \$100.00 will be given to the one writing the best historical pageant for use of the Na-Copy must be in the hands of the tional W. C. T. U. at its Jubilee Convention to be held in Chicago in 1924. general officers at National headquarters on or before August 20, 1923. All entries in the contest will be considered the property of the National W. C. T. U. For further details apply to Mrs. Margaret Munns, National Treasurer.

Every White Ribboner attending the Convention at Columbus is re quested to bring a white dress to wear in the street pageant to be held Saturday afternoon, Sept. 8.

Lincoln said: "As we keep or break the Sabbath we nobly save or meanly lose the last hope by which Getchell Prairie, dues ...... 11.90 if you knew how heart breaking it is man rises."

#### SILVER ANNIVERSARY.

An event of unusual interest was the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Fargo Scandinavian W. C. T. U., held in the Pontoppidan Lutheran church. Mrs. Julia D Nelson, the first and only president, was in the chair and a choice program included reminiscences by the charter members who were seated on the platform, and a stirring address by a charter honorary member, Rev. C. W. Finwall of Fargo. Special music was enjoyed.

More than two hundred members and friends were present, and the 37 new members were welcomed into the union at this time, badges being presented by the state officers, Black and Mrs. Wylie.

The beloved and faithful president, Mrs. Nelson, was presented with a purse of silver, in appreciation of her very efficient years of service. attempt to change the name of the union to the Julia D. Nelson union. was strenuously opposed by Mrs. Nelson, who declared the action unconstitutional, though the implied compliment was appreciated.

The charter members were hostesses and delicious refreshments were served. A huge birthday cake, with twenty-five candles, made an attractive center. The affair was in the nature of a birthday party and each guest gave a penny for every one of the eventful years, which amount completed the budget of this progressive union.

Mrs. C. Ashland, a charter member, read a brief history of the organization as follows: "On the 6th of July, twenty-five years ago, the Scandinavian women of Fargo were called together, in the Norwegian Baptist church, by Mrs. Princel, a National W. C. T. U. worker. The purpose was to organize a Scandinavian W. C. T. U., but as few responded, it was decided to postpone the organization until more could be interested. Miss Anna Peterson, at that time a missionary in the Norwegian Baptist church, was appointed chairman, and, on July 14th, called a meeting in the Swedish Baptist church. Twentythree women were present, the organization was completed and the following officers elected: President, Mrs. Julia D. Nelson; Vice President, Mrs. Chas. Olson; Secretary, Miss Anna Peterson; Treasurer, Mrs. L. W. Linder. Rev. Linder was then the pastor of the Swedish\* Baptist church. At this meeting the Fargo union was represented by Mrs. John Monson, Mrs. Geo. F. Clark and Mrs. J. S. Hill, and it was largely through their efforts that an organization was brot about. The charter members of the Scandinavian union are, Mesdames J. H. Brono, P. G. Berquist, C. Sydness, C. H. Johnson, J. Nygren, C. W. Finwall, O. S. Hadeland, Westlund, N. C. Thomson, S. Simonson, Chas. Olson, Julia D. Nelson, J. A. Davis, L. W. Linder, E. O. Horwen, C. Ashland, Nystrom, B. P. Haugen, Sandquist, A. P. Nelson, Ed. Stalheim, Anna Holland, P. Jepson. Six of these members have been deceased.

"The first department work taken up was that of Flower Mission to which has now been added the Relief work. Then followed Sunday School work, Evangelistic work, Sabbath Observance, L. T. L. work, Medical Temperance, and Health, Anti-Narcotics, Child Welfare, Social Morality, Medal Contests, Christian Citizenship calling committee.

"When we think of the literature distributed, the calls made, the flowers taken to the sick, with the Bible verse accompanying, the sermons preached and the lectures given on the work of the different departments, we ask, 'who can estimate the value of the work?'

"Our meetings are held on the second Tuesday evening and on the last Wednesday afternoon of each month.

"Each year, our November afternoon meeting is held at the Florence Crittenton Home, when a Thanksgiving offering of foodstuffs is made to the Home.

"We send the president and one or two delegates to district and state conventions, and last year, helped send our president to the World's and Nationals conventions at Philadelphia. We raised our quota in the Million Dollar drive and we have always raised our budget. On our tenth anniversary we numbered 30 members, on our twenty-fifth, we number 310, with about 25 honorary members.

"Mrs. Julia D. Nelson has served the union as president since its organization. We have had many good workers but it surely is largely due to her faithfulness and untiring efforts that the union has prospered and accomplished so much. Through thick and thin, she has always been the same. We can neither realize nor comprehend the value and influence of such service.

"The vice presidents who have served are, Mesdames Chas. Olson, J. H. Brono, S. Romsdahl, H. H. Aaker, and J. M. Johnson. The Recording secretaries have been, Miss Anno Peterson, Mesdames V. J. Baldwin, B. G. Tenneson, S. Romsdahl, C. Ashland, Ella Nelson, Carl Erickson, Morton Sydness, F. A. Landbloom, Carrie M. Maw. The treasurers have been, Mesdames Linder, Berquist, C. Sydness, Chas. Olson, T. R. Lacer, E. M. Roberts, Fonkalsrud, J. M. Johnson, A. M. Forsberg, J. W. Jones, August Hanson and F. W. Thurnau.

"As we have prospered and increased during the past, being now fourteen times as large as when organized, we hope we may still continue to prosper and that our faithful president, Mrs. Nelson, may still be serving on our fiftieth anniversary."

# DISTRICT CONVENTIONS.

FOURTH DISTRICT .- At Douglas, May 24th and 25th, the annual convention of the Fourth district was held, the president, Mrs. H. E. Mielke, in the chair. Miss Grace Leigh Scott and Mrs. Necia E. Buck were the speakers and gave valuable assistance throughout the convention. Miss Scott's vocal solos were much enjoyed, as were several numbers by local musicians. A banquet, given by the local union in honor of their guests, was a very pleasant affair. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. H. E. Mielke, Vice President, Mrs. W. G. Hancock, Minot; Cor. Sec'y, Miss Margaret Campbell, Ryder; Recording Sec'y, Mrs. John Ewing, Kenmare; Treasurer, Mrs. O. L. Kragness, Douglas.

FIFTH DISTRICT-At Ray, home of the district president, Mrs. H. H. Olson, the Fifth district met in annual convention, May 28 and 29. Much interest was expressed by the and Publicity. Each department has Buck and Miss Scott were warmly formation may be secured by writing NATIONAL W. C. T. U. Evanston, Ill.

a local superintendent. We also have welcomed and their addresses greatly either to this state superintendent or appreciated. Seven unions were re- my office at Upland, Indiana presented and twelve new members in its hospitality. Mrs. H. H. Olson any boy or girl aspiring to a college was re-elected president. Names of course. There should be thousands

> THIRTEENTH DISTRICT - At Sheldon, July 25 and 26, the annual meeting of the Thirteenth District was held. A good program was prepared by the president, Miss Cassie Brush of Lisbon, who presided. All unions in the district were represented. Mrs. Kate S. Wilder gave a splendid address the first evening, and assisted all thru the convention. speaking on Child Welfare and other special phases of the work. The second evening, Judge C. W. Davis of La Moure gave a strong and impressive address to an appreciative audience. Good music was furnished by local talent. The following officers were elected: President, Miss Cassie Brush, Lisbon; Vice President, Mrs. H. W. Lampson, Lisbon; Cor. Sec'y, Mrs. Paul W. Froemke, Sheldon; Recording Sec'y, Mrs. Carl Hanson, Englevale; Treasurer, Mrs. Mae Hanson, Englevale.

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT-Forest River cordially entertained the 34th annual convention of the district W. C. T. U., June 13 and 14, with Mrs. Kate S. Wilder of Fargo as the honored guest. The district president, Mrs. Frank Beasley, was in the chair and an interesting and profitable program was presented. Several young mothers brought their babies who were received as White Ribbon Recruits and welcomed by Mrs. Wilder, state superintendent of Child Welfare. Mrs. Beasley was again elected presient Mrs. O. M. Omlie of Grafton, vice president; Mrs. Dan Oakland, Nekoma, Cor. Sec'y; Mrs. Annie F. Catherwood, Park River, Recording Sec'y; Mrs. Allan Dickson, Forest River, Treasurer. Delegate to National convention, Mrs. Henry Warren, Forest River.

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT - No egular convention was held this year but Mrs. Kate S. Wilder spoke at St. Thomas, Cavalier and Tyner, the latter meeting being in the hospitable home of our state superintendent of Sunday School work, Mrs. Richard McFadden. At a largely attended picnic of the Farm Bureau, at Bowesmont, Mrs. Wilder gave an address which was highly commended by those present. The officers of the 18th district will hold over for another year.

# AMERICANIZATION.

The Americanization Department of the W. C. T. U. has been asked to co-operate with the American Legion in its National Essay Contest May 25-October 12, 1923. The object of this contest for American children is the promotion of interest in patriotism among the younger generation and the fostering of education. The subject for the essay is "Why America Should Prohibit Immigration for Five Years." The prizes are: First, \$750.00, Second, \$500.00, \$250.00. The cash prizes will be used only toward scholarships in colleges designated by the winners. All girls and boys between the ages of 12 and 18 inclusive are eligible to enter. Essays are not to exceed five hundred words in length. The full text and rules governing the contest has been sent to each state superinlarge and enthusiastic audience. Mrs. tendent of Americanization. Full in-

This is a most important subject secured. The local union was lavish and the rrizes are worth while to other officers have not been reported. of contestants in every state and am sure the Americanization workers of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be glad to co-operate with the Legion in securing these contestants. See the Commander of your post of the American Legion at once about plans for this Contest.

Culla J. Vayhinger, Nat'l Director of Americanization.

#### L. T. L. COLUMN.

The L. T. L. recently organized at Crystal Springs by Mrs. Bordwell, is very active and the children are interesting the older people in their work.

Mrs. E. S. Bordwell, state secretary of the L. T. L. and superintendent of the Jamestown Legion, entertained the members recently, at her home. Miss Gordon's birthday was celebrated by this wide-awake Legion in a very pleasant manner. A playlet, written by Miss Gordon, was cleverly put on by the children.

In a cool, airy, basement Sunday School room, the Grand Forks L. T. L. is holding its meetings successfully, during the summer months. The superintendent, Miss Belle McPhail, is giving a series of chalk talks, which are instructive and interesting. She believes the children "need something to look at." Signatures to pledge cards were obtained in the various Sunday Schools, the teachers cooperating. Honorary members are being solicited for the L. T. L. One lady sent a dollar, making her whole family honoraries. A subscription drive for Young Crusaders is being taken up during vacation, also a Poster Contest is occupying the attention of the children. Miss McPhail's unique ideas of entertaining include a Grab Bag, a Fish Pond, and games of various kinds. She believes in having a number of vice presidents. The little boys seem to appreciate holding office. One of them was heard to say, over and over, in his sleep, "She made me vice president!"

Two courts of Texas have ruled that violation of the prohibition law within five years acts as a bar to naturalization of foreigners.

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