



"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH."

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EVERY W. C. T. U. MEMBER IN NORTH DAKOTA AND ALL INTERESTED IN THE WORK ARE INVITED—

WHERE? TO VALLEY CITY.  
WHEN? September 21-24.  
WHAT? STATE W. C. T. U. CONVENTION.  
WHY? To Give and to Get Information and Inspiration to Carry On.  
OPENING EVENT Get-acquainted Dinner, 6:30 P. M., Epworth Methodist Episcopal Church.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

Dear Comrades:—

When this letter meets your eye, the great Columbus convention, celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the Crusade, will be in full swing. I greatly regret that so few of our women will be able to attend this convention. So far as we know now, Mrs. Beasley, Mrs. Kate S. Wilder and Mrs. E. C. Watkins will be the North Dakota delegation. You will all admit that, though the number is small, the quality is par excellent.

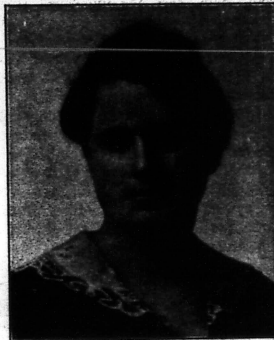
This delegation will be at the state convention at Valley City, Sept. 21-24. They will give echoes of the Columbus meeting and this is your opportunity to hear a many sided report of that wonderful gathering, and to catch much of its enthusiasm and inspiration.

I know of no one thing that would help our work more for the coming year than that every union in the state should be represented at the Valley City convention. This ought not to be impossible. It is worth a great effort and a real sacrifice, if necessary.

The railroad fare of every district president should be paid by her district. The railroad fare of every local president should be paid by her union. This should be included in the local budget. If the president cannot come, send some other officer in her place. In most unions, there will be other delegates, to which the union is entitled, who will be glad to pay their necessary.

Every delegate should come provided with note book and pencil and should give a report to the home union at a meeting called for that purpose. In this report, special attention should be given to the new plans and program for the year. I am greatly disappointed to hear, through Mrs. Vayhinger, that no North Dakota women have registered for the Correspondence course in Americanization.

OUR CONVENTION GUESTS



Mrs. Nelle G. Burger  
Springfield, Mo.  
President Missouri W. C. T. U.



Mrs. Maude B. Perkins  
East Syracuse, N. Y.  
General Secretary Y. P. B.

There ought to be at least one, in every union of the state.

With 181,633 foreigners in this state, we must not neglect this opportunity. The work cannot be done unless the local unions help, and this Correspondence Course tells how to do it. Other agencies may be interested in teaching English to foreigners, but not in teaching the spirit of the Eighteenth Amendment. This is our task and we must not neglect it.

These lessons are prepared for the instruction of the volunteer worker, but they are simple enough that she may use them as a guide in her work with the foreign mother. This course brings the Americanization work within reach of every member of the union. The necessary material for the course, consisting of leaflets, mimeographed sheets, copies of The Union Signal, etc., with the exception of a few books for reference, which may be found in every home, will be furnished by the National Director. A quiz will be given in each group of lessons and the answers will be sent to the Central Office for grading. A certificate will be given to every one who finishes the work with a general average of 80 per cent. The registration fee is one dollar, which send, with the name and address, to the National Director, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Upland Indiana.

As a nation, we have been called to mourn the death of President Harding. Our sympathy and prayers go out to the brave woman who has stood by his side during the trying years of his presidency. She must rejoice, even in her sorrow, that he gave himself so unreservedly to his task, and

that almost his last efforts were for law enforcement, international brotherhood and peace.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union is greatly stricken in the sudden death of Deborah Knox Livingston, on Sunday, August 5th, at Oosterville, Mass. It will be remembered that she, with Miss Gordon, attended our Silver Anniversary Convention at Fargo, in 1914. She has spoken a number of times in the state, and won a large place in the hearts of our people, by her radiant personality and her wonderful gift of speech. We mourn with the home circle, and with that wider circle, in every country, where her voice has been heard pleading, with matchless eloquence, for prohibition, true patriotism and peace. God has taken this gifted worker to Himself, and, by so doing, He calls each of us to reconsecrate ourselves to the unfinished task.

Yours in His service,  
Elizabeth Preston Anderson.  
Fargo, N. D., August 25, 1923.

IN MEMORIAM.

On June 28th Mrs. Daisy Gotchy, one of the tornado victims, was relieved by death. This is the first time Reeder has been called upon to mourn the loss of one of its members, by death, since its organization in 1909. Reeder union wishes to extend its sympathy to the bereaved family and sister, Mrs. Kluman, who is also a member of our union.  
It is not death to die,  
To leave this weary road  
And 'mid the brotherhood on high  
To be at home with God.

GOD'S TIME.

By Annie Johnson Flint

God's time is never wrong,  
Never too fast or too slow;  
The planets move to its steady pace  
As the centuries come and go.

Stars rise and set by that time,  
The punctual comets come back,  
With never a second's variance  
From the round of their viewless track.

Men space their years by the sun,  
And reckon their months by the moon,  
Which never arrive too late  
And never depart too soon.

Let us set our clock by God's,  
And order our lives by His ways.  
And nothing can come and nothing  
can go  
Too soon or too late in our days.

HONOR ROLL

Dues and Budget

|                   |               |
|-------------------|---------------|
| Bismarck          | Minto         |
| Buxton            | Minnewaukan   |
| Calvin            | Mayville      |
| Cando             | Napoleon      |
| 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           | West Fairview |
| Lawton            | Wyndmere      |
| Grand Forks Scan. |               |

Budget

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

Dues

|             |          |
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| Barton      | Leeds    |
| Bowesmont   | McGill   |
| Carrington  | Minot    |
| Devils Lake | Ryder    |
| Douglas     | Sheldon  |
| Hansboro    | Sturum   |
| Inkster     | Tyner    |
| Larimore    | Walhalla |

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of North Dakota.

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 in 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 distilled, fermented and malt liquors, including wine, beer and cider, and to employ all proper means to secure the enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment to the Federal Constitution.

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## "FLUNKING" ON THE BIBLE.

Ignorance of the Bible is often astounding, and a most flagrant instance is reported of a body of students of the University of North Dakota. Eight quotations from the Bible were asked of 139 students, we are told, and only eight and one-half per cent of the students passed an average of seventy-five per cent, the average for the whole body being less than forty per cent. As analyzed by the Watchman-Examiner (Baptist) from an article in the Journal of Education by Professor Vernon P. Squires, the examination figures show that

"Seven per cent could not name a book of the Old Testament, and less than 50 per cent could give ten books of the Old Testament. And some doubt as to this is caused by the spelling of some of the books, such as 'Deuteromy,' 'Deuteromoty,' 'Deuteromny,' 'Deutreominy,' 'Goshua,' 'Nehimiah,' 'Jobb,' 'Jobe.' Fourteen named 'Hezekiah' as one of the 'Books of Moses.'

"Among original ideas were the mentioning of Old Testament books, 'Paul,' 'Timothy,' 'Titus,' 'i and 2 Romans,' 'Philistines' and 'Xerxes.' The answers in regard to the New Testament were still more unsatisfactory. Twelve—eight and one-half per cent—were unable to mention a single book; only forty-six—thirty-three and one-third per cent—mentioned the ten, as requested. Five put Samuel in the New Testament, three the Psalms, three Ruth, and two Esther. One mentioned '1 and 2 Judges.' Seventeen mentioned 'Paul,' or 'St. Paul,' or 'Paul's.' Three suggested 'Simon,' two 'Jacob.' There was the mention of 'Thelesians,' 'Philippi,' 'Thomas,' 'Lazarus,' and 'Samson Agonistes.'  
"We are weighed and found wanting."

INTERNATIONAL S. S. LESSON  
November 4, 1923

WORLD'S TEMPERANCE SUNDAY  
LESSON TOPIC  
WORLD-WIDE PROHIBITION

## GOLDEN TEXT

I will set no base thing before mine eyes.—Ps. 101 :3.

Lesson Text: Proverbs 23 :29-35;  
Ps. 101 :5-8.

Primary Topic: Taking care of our bodies.

Memory Verse: At the last it biteth like a serpent. Prov. 23 :32.

Junior Topic: The Effects of Alcohol.

Memory Verses: Proverbs 23 :31, 32.

Outline of Temperance Teaching Points for Children's Division.

Watch the "Door"—the Eye "gate" and Ear "gate." Let Nothing Unclean Enter!

Sow Seeds of Purity, Truth, Love, in the Heart Garden.

Intermediate and Senior Topic: Progress of Prohibition at home and abroad.

Outline of Temperance Teaching Points for Young People's Division:

OUR PROHIBITION COUNTRY the Light, Leader, Loyal Helper of All Nations.

The various Scottish areas which adopted prohibition under local option in 1920 have had experiences similar to local option territory in the United States. There has been great reduction in the evils of drink but much embarrassment because of the importation of liquors from wet districts.

## SECRETARY'S CORNER.

Dear Comrades:—

Have you elected your delegates to state convention and have you sent their names, for entertainment, to Mrs. Lulu W. Zimmerman, 707 Euclid Ave., Valley City?

On account of the National convention so closely preceding, and Valley City Normal opening immediately after the state convention, we will have less time than usual for the business of our annual meeting.

Every delegate will want to be there at the big opening event—the Get-Acquainted dinner at 6:30 Friday evening, at the Epworth Methodist Episcopal church, where all sessions of the convention will be held, and to remain until the close, Monday afternoon.

Of course, all members of the state executive committee are expected to be present at 2 o'clock, Friday afternoon, Sept. 21st, for important ante-convention meeting.

Following the dinner, we are to be welcomed by leading citizens of Valley City, and responses will be made. Music, under the direction of Mrs. W. B. Simcox, Park River will be furnished at all sessions. Valley City is far-famed for its musical talent and we shall enjoy the benefit of it at this time. The evening's program will close with the annual address of the state president, Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson.

We are extremely fortunate this year in our convention guests—Mrs. Nelle G. Burger, state president of the Missouri W. C. T. U., and Mrs. Maude B. Perkins of New York, general secretary of the Young People's Branch. These ladies are among the strongest and most attractive of our National leaders, and are possessed of peculiar gifts and graces. Mrs. Perkins is generally beloved and especially by the young people. She will speak on Young People's Night and again on Sunday morning. For several years, we have tried to secure Mrs. Burger and it is a great satisfaction to us that we have succeeded this year. She will give the address Sunday evening, and we are hoping for a union meeting of all the churches.

As we are celebrating, with the National W. C. T. U., the beginning of its fiftieth anniversary, the convention will open Saturday morning with the March of the Pioneers. This will include all who have been members for the past 34 years.

The Memorial service, for promoted comrades, will be at 2 o'clock, Saturday afternoon, and will be in charge of Mrs. Anna Irwin, Egeland, to whom names should be sent. Departing from the usual custom, no yearly reports of department work will be given in convention, but will be printed in the annual report.

At the Superintendents' Hour, Saturday afternoon, each superintendent will be asked to speak of possibilities of her department and to suggest plans for future work.

Each session will be enlivened by a social interlude of fifteen minutes, giving delegates a chance to meet each other and to exchange ideas.

At the District Presidents' Hour, Monday afternoon, each president will speak of her district—"As it is, and as it should be." Problems of local unions will be discussed by local presidents or their representatives.

A special and very practical feature of the program will be a dialog on Law Enforcement, by Rev. and

Mrs. F. L. Watkins, of Bismarck. This will be illuminating and full of helpful suggestions.

Saturday evening will be devoted to the young people, when the Y. P. B's and L. T. L's will hold forth, and an evening full of interest and action is promised. Under the supervision of the state L. T. L. secretary, Mrs. J. S. Bordwell, the playlet, "John Barleycorn Wants to Come Back," will be staged, and Y. P. B. work will also be visualized thru the dialog, "A Call With a Mission." Short addresses will be given by Mrs. Bordwell, Mrs. Buck and Mrs. Perkins.

Those of us who cannot go to the National convention this year, will eagerly listen to "Echoes From Columbus" by the delegates who are fortunate enough to attend.

The election of officers will take place Monday morning, and it is hoped all delegates will be present for this important event.

Have you received copies of the annual report blanks? They have been sent to all unions. If yours' failed to reach you, please let me know and others will be sent. It is very important that, with all questions answered as far as possible, these be returned, as indicated, by the 10th of Sept.

Hoping to meet many of you at Valley City,

Yours for the best convention, yet,  
Barbara H. Wylie.  
Fargo, N. D., August 24th, 1923.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

July 28th to August 25th, 1923

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| Hillsboro, dues                           | \$ 4.20 |
| West Fairview, dues                       | 12.60   |
| Same, budget (complete)                   | 24.70   |
| Fargo Scan, dues                          | 35.70   |
| Fairmount, dues                           | 1.40    |
| Valley City, dues                         | 24.50   |
| Napoleon, dues                            | .70     |
| Same, budget (complete)                   | 6.40    |
| Park River, dues                          | 21.00   |
| Jamestown, dues                           | 10.50   |
| Lisbon, dues                              | 11.20   |
| Towner, dues                              | .70     |
| Montpelier, dues                          | 8.40    |
| Cando, life member, Mrs. M. Allie Gibbens | 10.00   |
| Lawton, dues                              | 1.40    |
| Stirum, dues                              | 2.10    |
| Same, budget, Willard mem.                | 2.00    |
| Crary, dues                               | 7.00    |
| Same, budget (complete)                   | 23.40   |

Mrs. W. E. Black,  
State Treasurer W. C. T. U.  
Fargo, N. Dak.

## EVANGELISTIC DEPARTMENT.

For various reasons, questions for this department were omitted from regular report blanks. Will local superintendents of Evangelistic work please copy these questions, and with the answers, return as soon as possible to Mrs. W. G. Engel, Williston, N. D.?

1. Number of Evangelistic or devotional services arranged for?
2. Number of Song Services? Bible Readings Articles written Cards and letters to shut-ins. Number of visits to sick or others
3. Talks on Stewardship or Tithing? How many Tithers?
4. How many Bibles, testaments or gospels distributed? Other devotional books? Pages of religious literature?
5. How many conversions reported? How many having Family Worship?
6. How many members secured for W. C. T. U. through this department?

## MISS GORDON'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION.

### 25,000 New Allegiance Members a Happy Surprise.

Few days on the calendar attract wider attention than July 21st—the birthday of Anna Adams Gordon, President of the World's and National W. C. T. U. Its celebration this year was unusually unique and interesting.

Beginning the day, as she does every day, with thoughts of others, Miss Gordon presented to the Wisconsin State Historical Society, on behalf of the Rock County W. C. T. U., the surrey which had belonged to Frances E. Willard. Placed beside the carriage of Daniel Webster, this will be an object of interest as the days go by.

Wisconsin comrades, eager to honor their chieftain, showered her with hundreds of beautiful bouquets, emerging from which, Miss Gordon expressed her appreciation and directed the distribution of most of them among the hospitals of Madison.

Returning to Evanston that evening, Miss Gordon was surprised to find her office transformed into a bower of beauty about which she tells, in her own inimitable way, in the following letter:

"Birthdays come and birthdays go, but this 1923 birthday will forever sing in my soul its happy memories. What choicer recognition of a natal day could be imagined than a combination of temperance picnics for children and the coming to National Headquarters of 25,000 new Allegiance members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union?

"On returning from Madison, Wisconsin, on the 21st, our National headquarters' office was a bower of loveliness beautiful beyond description, thanks to Mrs. Parks' clever decorative scheme. From California, North and South, there were huge, gorgeous bouquets, countless flowers of every variety; there were pine tree cones from Maine; rhododendrons from West Washington; sweet peas from Minnesota; laurel from Connecticut; wild roses from Iowa and North Dakota; an exquisite white rose from Georgia; goldenrod from Nebraska; violets from Rhode Island; columbines from Colorado; bitterroot from Montana; blue bonnets from Texas, with lilies, marigolds, carnations, gladioli, roses, and every imaginable flower from all along the line, and best of all, a soul in every flower.

"This big bouquet makes us realize anew the significance of the strenuous membership campaign of 1923, the Allegiance challenge to the law-defying element in our republic, and, in this new day of our nation and of the world, a continuation of activities for our coming citizens, the boys and girls. On behalf of our blessed organization my heart goes out with inexpressible gratitude to Mrs. Parks and to all the gracious gardeners and their charming posies.

"I fully realize that this imperishable garland of human flowers has been gathered not for me personally but for the superb organization of women recognizing July 21 as our Loyal Temperance Legion Red Letter Day. Our faith, hope and love are greatly renewed as we intertwine these new Allegiance posies with the member blossoms already in our local union bouquets throughout the republic—a republic to whose betterment these

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

The state secretary, Mrs. E. S. Bordwell, recently visited Carrington, where she spoke to the members of the L. T. L., giving them new ideas and fresh courage to go on. Mrs. Bordwell is ready to respond to other calls. Address her at Jamestown, N. Dak.

Mrs. B. E. Burt, Press Supt. of Preston union, sends the following interesting item: In a cool, shady grove, at the home of their leader, Mrs. L. A. Day, the Preston L. T. L. held their annual picnic, July 25, and gave a very interesting program. A number of the members of the Preston union were also present and held a meeting in connection with the picnic. The children played games and every one had an all-round good time, with plentiful refreshments.

Miss Elna Bogen, secretary of the Jamestown L. T. L., writes a good letter about their work, from which we quote: "Our last meeting was held in the park, all members bringing their own lunch. We had a good time. Six legioners gave a little play called 'Lester Brown's Battle.' We have several committees at work. The Flower Mission department reported 68 bouquets sent out. We are working on scrap books for the Soldiers and Sailors department and for the children in hospitals. We have an L. T. L. Glee Club and sang several songs at the district convention held here. We also gathered flowers to decorate the church. We had a dues-paying social in April. The anti-narcotic department distributed U-Boat Chasers and made anti-tobacco posters."

One of Mrs. Bordwell's bright ideas is an attendance contest for the boys and girls. On another occasion, for the jolly hour, she made two sets of letters, one in red and one in silver, each set spelling the magical words, "Anna Gordon," and pinned these letters to the children. As she pronounced words that could be spelled with these letters, the children scrambled into their places to make the words, thoroughly enjoying the fun.

## HOPE L. T. L.—PRESTON UNION.

The work of the Preston L. T. L. is carried on in connection with the school. Not only at the regular meetings, which we try to hold every two weeks thru the school term, but every day, some department of the work is brought before the L. T. L. members, in some form, by the teachers.

In the Health Department the children have learned six health songs, three health creeds, and numerous little health verses were memorized by the smaller members. Health booklets were made by some of the children and records of their weight kept. Also clippings from magazines, instructive and helpful to them, were

members new and old thus symbolized are completely dedicated.

"Yours in loving service,  
Anna A. Gordon,

S. "I must tell you how perfectly beautiful are the 415 wild roses from North Dakota. The absolutely charming way in which your membership cards were prepared delighted us all and made one of the handsomest features of the surprise exhibit which greeted me on my return from Wisconsin. Thank you all more than I can express.—A. A. G."

pasted in the booklets. The children copied health rules, made a study of food values and were urged to eat food best suited for growing children. Milk was recommended as the best food for underweight children, and soon they were all carrying their pint jars of milk. A decided gain was apparent in the delicate children.

In the Flower Mission and Relief Work there has been great interest shown. Through the winter, sickness has been quite prevalent in our community. The L. T. L. members tried to remember each and every one with some little gift of flowers, fruit, jelly, or books and papers; even chickens and fresh eggs were added to the list. Fifteen scrap books were made and sent to Mrs. Whaley at Minot, to distribute to sick children in hospitals.

In the Mercy Department all of the L. T. L. members (47) signed the mercy pledge. Mercy programs and stories were used at our meetings. The children are making a study of birds. They have learned the value of birds to the farmer, and why we should have laws protecting them. They were taught not to destroy their nests or harm their young. We find the best way to protect the birds is to disseminate knowledge concerning them.

In the Anti-Narcotic Dept. we are continually at work. Posters have been kept in the school rooms constantly; the anti-tobacco blotters have also been in use in the school. Readings, recitations and lesson stories are used at the meetings. We have seven subscribers to the Young Crusader and find it a great help in our work.

Religious Work—In our community there is great need of this type of work, for very few children have the opportunity of attending any church or Sunday School, and we feel the least we can do is to observe all church holidays, such as Easter, Christmas, etc., with special lessons and programs appropriate to the occasion. The children are studying the art pictures in school. In the collection are Hoffman's Head of Christ, Christ and the Doctors, Christ in Gethsemane. They give the name and tell the story connected with each.

We hold a membership campaign each fall. Each member promptly pays dues. We then send dues to state treasurer and 5c per member to the Anna Gordon Missionary Fund. We use the lesson manuals, Young Crusader leaflets, etc., for literature.

A silver medal contest was held, Feb. 23, at which eight contestants took part. Twelve dollars was realized from contest and lunch, the latter served by W. C. T. U. With one or two exceptions the children enjoy taking part in these contests, and it gives them an excellent opportunity to promote the cause of temperance and prohibition. We always find the time of our meetings too short to accomplish one-half of what we would like to do. Light refreshments are served at each meeting. A committee is appointed for lunch and one for program. Red Letter Days are observed.

Americanization Work—We have quite a few foreign speaking members in our L. T. L. Three years ago three small Swedish children came to our school, unable to speak a word of English. Their mother had finally to be called in to interpret to them the meaning of the bell, recess, etc. This spring the oldest spoke in the Medal Contest. Her score was only ten

points below the American girl winning the medal. Five Finnish children, from one family, are all members, and two of the girls took part in the contest. They had never taken part in program, except dialogues, folk-dances, etc., and there was great surprise that they did as well as the other contestants. We have no trouble with the foreign children, they are quick to learn and always obedient, but boys of 12 and 14, coming in from other communities, have a tendency to lead our small L. T. L. boys astray. The necessity for this work is great. Children must be trained to an understanding and appreciation of the 18th amendment. We would like to see a live working L. T. L. in every school. (Mrs. L. A. Day is Supt.)

## ALCOHOLISM AND JUVENILE DELINQUENCY.

In an unpublished investigation covering several years of study of 1,178 juvenile delinquents, Dr. B. T. Baldwin has discovered some interesting truths on the relation of alcoholism to child degeneracy.

A careful scientific study was made of each of 400 delinquent white girls and 100 delinquent colored girls at Sleighton Farm Industrial School in Pennsylvania, of 178 boys in the Maryland Industrial School and 500 retarded boys and girls in the public school in Chester, Pennsylvania.

The results show that alcoholism is one of the most unfavorable traits among the parents of these unfortunate children. In a few cases the parents were unknown but a careful analysis of the court records and the commitment papers, the notes of field social workers and the office records reveal that for the parents of the 400 delinquent white girls at Sleighton Farm Industrial School 50 per cent or 204 parents were alcoholic, of which 26 per cent included both parents. Where one parent was alcoholic one-third were the mothers.

For the colored girls, 19 per cent of the known parents were alcoholic, principally fathers. About the same proportion held true for the Boys' Reformatory School. The chief causes of juvenile delinquency for these three groups of children were alcoholism and home conflicts associated with mental deficiency.

Of 500 misfits between the ages of 5 and 15 in the elementary public schools of Chester, 104 were found to be mentally deficient. While every deficient child may in a sense be regarded as a potential delinquent, 43 of the children had already begun to show definite signs of delinquency, such as lying, stealing, immorality, truancy and general incorrigibility in school. In 23 per cent of these cases the parents were separated or only one was living.

In only one case did the child have good home care, most of the parents being indifferent or alcoholic.

Of this same group of 500, 107 were brothers and sisters, 50 families being represented. Almost without exception these children came from poor homes where very little interest was taken in them and they were brutally and shamefully treated. The average number of children per family in this division being five or six.

Elizabeth A. Perkins,  
Director Department of Child Welfare National W. C. T. U.

## CIVICS QUIZ

### For Local Union meetings

1. In what courts is the judicial power of the state of North Dakota vested?
2. How many members has the supreme court? Give the method of their election, their qualifications and salary.
3. Name the two officers of the supreme court and define their duties.
4. What can be said of the jurisdiction and decisions of the supreme court?
5. How many judges of the supreme court are necessary to form a quorum or to pronounce a decision? Answers to these questions are found in Lesson VIII, of the Primer for North Dakota Voters.

## PERSONALS.

Our Evangelistic superintendent, Mrs. W. G. Engel, who has spent the last ten months in Fargo, has returned, with her family, to the old home in Williston.

Mrs. Nacia E. Buck has spent the summer at North Chautauqua, holding several meetings there, in the interest of our work. Mrs. Buck leaves Sept. 1, for an itinerary in Ninth District.

Mrs. Viola D. Fouts, president of the Third District, and Mrs. Maud Allen, president of the Townier union, expect to move to Fargo.

Mrs. H. E. Mielke, president of the Fourth District, reports a new union at Makoti, with Mrs. A. L. Matson, president; Miss Belle Asleson, secretary and Mrs. E. C. Stone, treasurer.

Mrs. J. M. Chidester of Devils Lake writes enthusiastically of their annual picnic at Baldwin Cottage, North Chautauqua, where Mrs. Buck was hostess. There was a large attendance, a fine lunch and the best meeting ever. Distinguished guests were Dr. and Mrs. Draper of Japan, home on furlough, both members of Yokohama W. C. T. U., who gave interesting addresses.

## GRAND ARMY FOR

### LAW OBEDIENCE.

At the state encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic in Columbus, the veterans adopted this resolution calling attention to the need of reverence for law and the duty of all officials to uphold the Constitution and the law of the land:

"In these times when there is so much lawlessness in this country, humbly obeying the injunction of Mr. Lincoln, we the members of the State Encampment of the G. A. R. of Ohio, believe that reverence for the law should be taught in the schools, colleges and universities; printed in the school books, and preached in the churches; and

"That it is the duty of all officers who have sworn they would support the Constitution of the United States, including the president, the governors of the states, members of Congress and the state legislatures, federal and state judges, all executive officers of the nation, of the states and municipalities, to uphold and enforce the supreme law of the land."

All over the nation the tendency is to draw the reins tighter in enforcing the prohibition law. Minimum fines are being greatly increased and in some places jail sentences are being substituted.

## DON'T WORRY IF YOUR COMPETITORS SMOKE.

One of the professors in Harvard University, George F. Swain, gives this advice to his students in Civil Engineering:

"Let your competitors smoke!" The most outstanding men in every profession and line of business have done that—William Shakespeare, the greatest writer perhaps, of all time; William Cullen Bryant, one of the most renowned poets; Horace Greeley, the famous editor; ex-President Roosevelt, one of the most influential and versatile men the world has ever produced; Rev. Francis E. Clark, founder of the world-wide Christian Endeavor movement, a writer, lecturer and organizer of exceptional ability; Luther Burbank, the plant wizard of Santa Rosa, Calif.; Andrew Carnegie, the first great steel manufacturer; Judge Ben Lindsey, the most successful juvenile court judge in the United States; H. J. Heinz, the great pickle producer; John Wanamaker, the greatest department store man of modern times; Eugene Grace, the present manager of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, receiving the largest salary of any man in the world, according to B. C. Forbes, the financial writer; Houdini, the "self-liberator" who has extricated himself from all sorts of seemingly impossible positions; Jack Dempsey, champion boxer; and so we might go on, until the list would seem tiresomely long.

It must be set down as a rule that the most outstanding men in almost any line are the ones who "let their competitors smoke," while they attend to business. Even Benjamin N. Duke, the famous tobacco man himself, has never used tobacco—he, too, lets his competitors smoke!

The list would be lacking did we not mention Henry Ford. Not only does he not smoke, but permits no smoking in any of his great plants. He lets his competitors and their employes smoke, while he and his attend to make money so fast that the others look on in amazement.

## FRANCES E. WILLARD DAY PROGRAM.

We are sure all will be pleased with the fine program prepared for Frances Willard Day in the Public Schools. Will not every union in the state see to it that this program—not the material, of course—is printed in the local paper the week before the day the program is to be given.

A little paragraph calling the attention of the parents and the people generally to the observance of this day should be written and the people urged to attend the schools during the rendition of the program.

Far and wide her name is known,  
Round the world, from zone to zone,  
A woman brave her life she gave,  
Not of sparing self, mankind to save;  
Clear-brained, courageous, tender,  
True,  
Each day she sought God's work to do,  
Sweetly serene, she daily wrought,  
With willing heart the truth she taught;  
I n hope to set the fettered free,  
Leading the way to liberty;  
L owing her service, keen her brain,  
A n earnest purpose to attain,  
"R lease us, Lord," her daily prayer,  
"D eliver us from liquor's snare."  
In this acrostic each child should carry a letter cut from white card board.

## FARMER PRAISES PROHIBITION.

George R. Harrison, master of the California State Grange, writes as follows:

"Agriculture has not been injured in anyway since prohibition has gone into effect and never, in my thirty-six years in California, have grapes sold at such a profit. On the other hand there is a saving of many millions of dollars and thousands of homes are provided with necessities of life that they never had before. To say nothing of the moral and social effects, which are inestimable.

Having voted for prohibition in Kansas in 1880 and every opportunity that I have had since then, I see no reason for going back to the old system and believe such an attempt very unwise. Any such action to change that part of the Constitution would be the same as tearing stars from the flag, and I hereby register my protest against such. I voice the sentiment of the State and National Grange regarding such affairs."

## FIELD NOTES.

The W.C.T.U. of Grafton are in the field and carrying forward their work without flourish of trumpets or spectacular display. Mrs. Levi Blades, the local president, is always on the job, in spite of her advancing years and activities in her church and missionary interests. A public meeting, planned by the ladies of the W. C. T. U., was held in the Baptist church. The address was a masterpiece of fact, logic and clean cut argument, that would have done credit to any speaker in the country. Mrs. Wilder, who gave the address, is master of the English language, has something of vital importance to say to the people, and knows how to say it. She ought to be given a crowded house wherever she speaks. The local union gained several new members.

As of July 1, there is a motor vehicle for every 8.5 persons in the United States. California has the densest automobile population, showing one vehicle for every 4.09 persons. Motor cars and trucks total 13,043,128, according to the survey of all automotive industries. This is a gain of 2,440,000 or 23 per cent over July a year ago. It is indicated that the final figures of 1923 will show another gain of a million cars for this year. High gains are shown especially in the Southern states. There are now sufficient motor cars to haul every person in the United States at one time, with an average of four persons to a vehicle.

Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States, in his New Year's message to the people, said:

"Americans must stand firm in the next year. They must abide in their religious faith. They must keep their respect for authority. They must support the constitution and render obedience to the laws. They must continue steadfast of purpose, exemplifying the homely virtues of honesty, industry and thrift, which are the foundations of all character. To these must be added toleration, mercy and charity. These made America, these will preserve America."

## CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE.

Here is an endorsement of the economic worth of Prohibition from a source which carries great weight. John J. Abbott, Vice President of the Continental and Commercial Trust and Savings Bank of Chicago, says, "Since the date on which National Prohibition went into effect, the savings deposits in this bank have increased approximately \$10,000,000, or 30 per cent. There is no question Prohibition has contributed very substantially to the increase in savings in the United States, and therefore has been of great economic value to the country."

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