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THE BURDEN BEARER

Over the narrow pathway
That led from my lonely door,
I went with a thought of the Master
As oft I had walked before;
But my heart was heavily laden,
And with tears my eyes were dim,
But I knew I should lose the burden
Could I get a glimpse of him.

Oh, friend! if the greater burdens
His love can make so light,
Why should his wonderful goodness
Our halting credence slight?
The little, sharp vexations,
The bribes that catch and fret—
Shall we not take them to the Helper
Who never failed us yet?

Tell him about the heartache,
And tell him the longings, too.
Tell him the baffled purpose,
When we scarce know what to do;
Then leaving all our weakness
With the divinely strong,
Forget that we bore the burden
And carry away the song.
—Margaret E. Sangster.

OFFICIAL CALL

For the Thirty-Seventh Annual Con-
vention of the North Dakota
W. C. T. U.

The thirty-seventh annual convention of the North Dakota Women's Christian Temperance Union will be held in the First Presbyterian Church, Jamestown, Sept. 9-12, opening with the usual get-together banquet the first evening and closing with the Sunday evening meeting. At two o'clock, on the afternoon of the 9th the state executive committee will meet and all members are requested to be present.

The executive committee is composed of the trustee, the district presidents, or their alternates, duly appointed by the executive committees of their respective districts, the general secretaries of the Young People's and Loyal Temperance Legion Branches, organizers, the editor of the White Ribbon Bulletin and the superintendents of departments.

The membership of the state convention includes the executive committee, organizers, evangelists, district corresponding secretaries and treasurers, chairmen of standing committees, musical director, presidents of local unions or their alternates, one delegate at large from each local union and one for every thirty members, and one L. T. L. delegate for every \$5.00 L. T. L. dues paid into state treasury, said delegate to be an L. T. L. superintendent. The Y. P. B. is entitled to representation in the

convention on the same basis as the W. C. T. U., but delegates must be young women.

Jamestown entertained our first state convention in 1890 and, since then, has entertained us twice. The union is noted for its hospitality and we are sure of a warm welcome. Delegates will be entertained for room and breakfast, and names should be sent to Mrs. H. S. Biss, chairman of entertainment committee, not later than Sept. 1st.

Railroad fares will be allowed any woman who has gained twenty new members, provided her union has a net gain of twenty. The treasurer's books will close August 26th.

It gives us unusual pleasure to announce as our convention speaker and guest of honor, our beloved Miss Anna A. Gordon, President of the World's W. C. T. U. and for many years president, and now honorary president, of the National W. C. T. U. Miss Gordon will be a great attraction for all our women and her coming insures a large delegation. We shall also be glad to welcome fraternal delegates from other women's organizations.

Elizabeth Preston Anderson,
Barbara H. Wylie, President.
Corresponding Secretary.

MEDAL CONTEST NOTES

Edgeley put on a double Medal Contest, one declamatory and one vocal music. Mrs. Kadel is the local superintendent. The declamatory winner was Mildred Stevens, with "An Old Man's Story," and Harriet Green with the song, "Silent Voices."

Hope Consolidated School, Doyon P. O., with Mrs. Day as superintendent, held two contests on April 19, one a silver and the other a gold. Ann Cole was winner of the gold medal, with the selection, "Carl, His Mother's Influence." The winner of the silver medal was Floyd Thompson with his selection, "Conscience."

At the district W. C. T. U. convention at Makoti, May 5, with Miss Campbell, District Superintendent of Contests, in charge, a silver declamatory contest was held. Ethel Gabel won the medal with the reading, "A Father's Story."

Medal Superintendent, Mrs. C. R. Jolly, Tappen P. O., held a silver medal contest at Crystal Springs, May 14. Harriet Montgomery won first place with, "The Present Crisis." Mrs. Jolly reports the contest a success from every angle.

Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson will preach the annual sermon at the Minnesota W. C. T. U. convention at Thief River Falls, August 2.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Comrades:—When you read this letter our State Convention at Jamestown, September 9-12, will be but little more than a month away. The convention is earlier than usual this year and we must not be caught napping. Please see to it that dues from ALL members, OLD and NEW, are collected and sent to the state treasurer before August 26. The retention of old members is just as important as the gaining of new members. If your budget is not already paid in full, get the balance to the state treasurer before that fateful day, AUGUST 26, WHEN BOOKS CLOSE. Jamestown is making elaborate plans for our entertainment. The program is full of interest from the opening banquet to the closing address by Miss Gordon. The presence of the World's W. C. T. U. President insures a great convention. Every union should be represented. If possible, pay your local president's railroad fare to this convention and your union will profit by it.

Mrs. Wylie has just spent a few days with me at Oak Lodge, our summer home, and together with our state treasurer, Mrs. E. C. Watkins, we have completed plans for our State Convention program. You will be glad to know that Mrs. Wylie is making a fine recovery and expects to be able to resume work at Headquarters in September.

The summer months have been full of activities with district conventions, state and county fairs, chautauquas, picnics, open air meetings, and the W. C. T. U. Tarry A While at the encampment at Devils Lake. Our splendid literature has been distributed at these meetings, and in addition, a copy of Senator Borah's great speech on prohibition has been mailed from our Headquarters to 2,000 citizens of the state, and the fine address on prohibition by U. S. Attorney General Sargent has been mailed to every states attorney and also to the county, district and supreme court judges. Miss Janet Adam, our faithful Headquarters Secretary, has been instant in season and out of season in putting our literature into circulation. Our budget system has enabled us to send out this literature free. We are thankful to the unions who have helped us by paying their budget in full, and only regret that we haven't sufficient to enable us to sow the state knee deep with our literature. I know of nothing that would do more good at this critical time.

Mrs. Lydia B. Johnson

We had planned a month's work for Mrs. Johnson, but greatly to our regret she was obliged to cancel the

first two weeks engagement. She began June 16 in the First District. Heavy rains and roads interfered with the first week's work. She spoke that week at North Chautauqua, Devils Lake, Rolla, Rock Lake, Calvin, Edmore and Lakota. The second week the weather was favorable and her work was very successful. She spoke at the Sixteenth District Convention at Larimore, at Grand Forks, where both unions cooperated, Gilby, Grafton, Hamilton, Bathgate, Neche, Bowsmont, Drayton, Northwood, Hatten, Portland and Mayville. At Lakota she organized a fine union of nineteen members, with Mrs. A. H. Smart, president; Mrs. C. A. Peterson, vice president; Mrs. J. Swinland, secretary; and Mrs. Jennie Skrivseth, treasurer. She secured seven Willard members at Neche, and several at Hamilton and Bathgate. Fine reports come to me of Mrs. Johnson's work and we shall be glad to welcome her to North Dakota again.

She was in Fargo when the Crown Prince and Princess of Sweden, her native country, were there. She, with Mrs. Julia D. Nelson, and Mme. Ida Melin presented flowers to the Crown Princess on behalf of the Scandinavian W. C. T. U. of Fargo. Later, Mme. Melin received a letter of thanks and appreciation from the Crown Princess.

Mrs. Julia D. Nelson

Mrs. Nelson has been doing most acceptable field work, visiting Hillisboro, Reynolds, Buxton, Osnabrock, Milton, Edinburg, Park River, Larimore, Grand Forks and Christine. She organized a new union at Edinburg with Mrs. Ernest Hennun, president; Mrs. Ben Shuley, vice president; Mrs. N. Ordahl, secretary, and Mrs. Alfred Nygaard, treasurer. She attended the Sixteenth District Convention at Larimore and a meeting of the Scandinavian union at Grand Forks, where Mrs. H. H. Aaker was elected the new president. At Christine she attended the reception for new members and welcomed them into the organization. She secured new members and reclaimed some who had dropped from the ranks. She made 115 calls and at every place talked to women of their opportunities, privileges and responsibilities in W. C. T. U. work.

Mrs. Kate M. Currie and Mrs. Martha M. Allen

We are saddened to record the death of Mrs. Kate M. Currie of Hope, N. D., a pioneer W. C. T. U. worker and the mother of Mrs. Ella C. Boise, president of the Eleventh District W. C. T. U. Mrs. Currie was one of the heroic builders of North Dakota—one of those who made it

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possible for the state to hold prohibition for thirty years until it was written in the Constitution of the Nation. She rests from her labors and her works do follow her. Our state, with every other, has sustained a great loss in the death of Mrs. Martha M. Allen, National director of the department of Medical Temperance. Mrs. Allen was a gifted specialist in her department and made an invaluable contribution to the cause of prohibition. The sympathy of white ribboners goes out to the bereaved families of these comrades.

Important Notice

Word has just reached me from National W. C. T. U. Headquarters that the time for return of certificates for victorious volunteer captains, has been extended until August 15. I know of a number of cases where ten new members have been secured, but neither the certificates nor the dues have yet reached us. Here is another and it is the last chance. Please get them in at once, and be sure to report ALL new members gained as we want to assemble the odd numbers in tens and give credit for every member gained ABOVE your ten or tens or UNDER ten, where that number was not reached. We want every new member taken account of in the big demonstration at the State and National conventions.

If yours is a "Union Signal quota reached" union (one subscriber for every six members) let your light shine by sending a kodak snapshot of your president to the National W. C. T. U., Evanston, Ill., for the Union Signal demonstration at Los Angeles. In another column, Mrs. Clark tells you of the plan for demonstration at Jamestown. Please come prepared.

Congressional Dry Hearings

The testimony of the Dries at the Congressional Hearings has been published in a large volume. This is exceedingly valuable testimony and should be in every public library. Feeling sure the unions will want to furnish the public libraries of their towns with copies, I have ordered a limited number for this purpose. They cost one dollar each. Please send the dollar and the address to which you want them sent, to me at once. The supply may be exhausted if the order is not sent in early.

Gains and Losses

Don't fail to take note of the fact that the Wets with all their publicity and propaganda, failed to secure any of their proposed legislation in Congress. On the other hand, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union during these strenuous attacks has received thousands of new members. We surely have cause for thankfulness.

Yours faithfully,

Elizabeth Preston Anderson.

National W. C. T. U. Convention, Los Angeles, Calif., September 26-October 1.

State W. C. T. U. Convention, Jamestown, September 9-12.

TREASURER'S REPORT

May 20th-June 20th	
Grafton, dues	\$ 7.00
Prosper, dues	1.40
Mrs. C. H. Hancock, Willard House	1.00
Hettinger, dues	3.90
Epelaud, dues	3.00
Minto, budget	1.80
Englevale, dues	2.10
Fairmount, budget complete	19.50
Same, dues	1.40
Same, credit	1.30
Jamestown, Y. P. B. dues	7.00
Hettinger, dues	2.10
Same, exc. on check	.10
Crystal Springs, budget	11.00
Hankinson, dues	9.10
Marmon, bal. in treas.	4.40
Minto, budget com.	6.30
McKenzie, budget com.	24.70
Same, dues	4.20
Same, exc on check	.10
Milnor, L. T. L. dues	7.30
Grand Forks, dues	17.50
Same, budget com.	30.00
Sharon, dues	8.40
Edmore, budget com.	44.20
Fairdale, dues	2.10
Mrs. Emily Coombs, Pickardville, Willard dues	1.00
Miss Vera Jones, Pickardville, Willard dues	1.00
Leeds, dues	4.90
Fargo Scan, dues	53.20
Upham, budget com.	3.90
Same, dues	1.40
Jamestown, dues	27.30
1st Dist., Life Mem., Mrs. Dunbar	10.00
Same, Mem. Mem., Mrs. Ida Pile	10.00
Same, Conv. Speaker	10.00
Fairmount, dues	2.80
Fargo, dues	5.60
Christine, dues	4.20
Carrington, dues	6.30
Same, L. T. L. dues	1.60
Same, exc. on check	.10
Dickey, dues	1.40
Bismarck, dues	21.00
Grand Forks, dues	28.70
Fairmount, dues	.70
Christine, dues	2.80
Grand Forks, dues	2.10
Portland, dues	20.30
Northwood, dues	6.30
Same, L. T. L. dues	3.30
Same, Y. P. B. dues	1.50
Fairmount, dues	1.40
Reeder, dues	4.20
Spring Brook, dues	.70
Milnor, dues	7.00
20th Dist., Conv. Speaker	10.00
Upham, dues	.70
Same, credit	.30
Grand Forks, dues	6.30
Gilby, budget	50.00
Same, dues	16.10
Same, exc. on check	.10
Esmond, dues	2.80
Same, exc. on check	.10
Hettinger, dues	.70
Calvin, dues	7.00
Same, exc. on check	.10
Carrington, dues	1.40
Same, exc. on check	.10
Valley Citl, budget complete	30.00
11th Dist., Life members	20.00
Neche, Willard member	1.00
Bathgate and Hamilton, Willard dues	7.00
Epping Y. P. B. dues	1.50
Same, Willard Mem. fund	1.00
Same, Missionary fund	1.00
Milnor, dues	7.00

Grand Forks, dues	9.80
Reeder, dues	3.50
Same, credit	.70
Grafton, dues	7.70

Dear Sisters:

Erc this your union has received the letter I sent to the Treasurer, and one of the points emphasized in it is that the State Treasurer's books close the 26th of August, and we trust before this time you will have all the old members dues collected, and that with the new members gained we shall realize a fine gain in membership this year.

The new members names have been sent in to the publisher of the White Ribbon Bulletin, and I have been thinking that it would be a nice thing for the captains in the New Membership drive to see if all their new members are getting the paper by August 1st, or not later than September 1st, and if not to inform the Treasurer of the State so the matter can be looked into at once. All the new members as well as the old ones need the White Ribbon Bulletin to help them get acquainted and keep acquainted with our work.

Below I am giving the names of the Captains who secured ten members (some secured 20) also the Unions for which they were gained.

I will say first that some of the unions have sent in the names but not the names for their new members, others have sent in the dues but not the name of the Captains. These we expect in soon, and will appear in the next Bulletin so they may be given full credit for the work, and their names placed on the Honor Roll.

Abercrombie, Miss Lillie Thorson.
Bismarck, Mmes R. G. Goddard, J. R. Rue, E. F. Reynolds.

Carrington, Mrs. W. R. Kerber.
Christine, Mrs. Chas. Hanson.
Calvin, Miss Teenie Sillers.

Fairdale, Mrs. Lewis Hanson.
Fairmount, Mrs. Geo. Sholey.
Fargo, Mrs. Geo. Clark, Mrs. Robt. Reed.

Fargo Scan, Mmes. J. M. Johnson, E. H. Shefforud, Chris Sydness, C. H. Boelvig.

Grand Forks, Mmes. E. A. Markell, Peter Monahan, Geo. Black.
Grafton, Mrs. O. J. Swanson.

Jamestown, Mrs. B. A. Norris, Mrs. P. R. Sorenson.

Leeds, Mrs. M. O. Garry.
Milnor, Mrs. Madge Warner.
Minot, Mrs. C. F. Truax.

Portland, Mrs. Anna M. Warren.
Reeder, Mrs. H. K. Bushman.
Sharon, Miss Ingvald Anderson.

Upham, Miss Ella Freeman.
I am yours sincerely,
Mrs. E. C. Watkins,
State Treas.

CALENDAR FOR LOCAL UNIONS

August—

Rally Day and Annual Meeting
Annual report of officers and superintendents.

Election of Officers—Reports sent to state before August 15. All dues and budget paid before August 26, when state treasurer's books close. Delegates elected to state convention.

September—
State Convention Jamestown, Sept. 9-12

Reception to teachers.
Prize essay contest work in schools begun.

Sept. 28—Birthday Frances E. Willard, Children's Harvest Home and Young Crusader Day.

MESSAGE FROM NAT'L DIRECTOR SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPT.

The Church stands for Christian Training of the youth and therefore for Christian Citizenship training. The Sunday School Department of the W. C. T. U. is encouraging this important work by suggesting to S. S. leaders the plan of organizing a Christian Citizenship Class composed of those in the S. S. and Church who will vote for the first time at the next coming election.

The class should have an instructor to enroll the young voters and to direct the course of reading and study. He should provide Questionnaires and, if desired, conduct reviews and examinations.

The most desirable time to begin this work is three months previous to election which is ample time for the course of study. World's Temperance Sunday, coming just previous to the fall election day is a fitting time for Citizenship Recognition Service in the Church or S. School. A special program may be given in honor of the citizenship class at the S. S. hour or, preferably, at the morning or evening Church service on World's Temperance Sunday, the date of which is fixed by the appearance of World's Temperance S. S. lesson of the International Uniform Lesson Series.

The program may include an appropriate address to the class, the presentation of the class to the pastor who commissions the members to their important duty of Christian Citizenship and administers the Citizenship Vow.

These, or similar plans will be the culmination of this most important part of the religious educational work of the Church and Sunday School.

Manuals of citizenship and Law Enforcement and copies of The Citizenship Questionnaire may be secured from the Nat'l W. C. T. U. Pub'g House, Evanston, Ill. The Department also recommends "The Manual of American Citizenship" by Hardy, price 50c, American Tract Society, New York. Many of our Department leaflets are desirable to stimulate thought and study.

The new leaflet, "Help Law Enforcement", should have wide circulation. "The Bible and Prohibition" will be appreciated by S. S. teachers and "What About Cider" will be welcomed in the Junior Department. For adult class discussion use the leaflet, "Pertinent Questions."

I call attention to the Poster Work in the S. S. as an aid in coming election. I urge Prize Essay Work for summer vacation period; Temperance Programs for S. S. picnics and class parties. Advertise our Efficiency Leaflets, to be secured only from Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, 115 Walnut St. Riverside, California. The list to date is: Quarterly Bulletin—Open Letter, Message to Workers,—Anti-Cigarette Demonstration,—Honor Roll of S. S. Workers,—each 45c per 100 post-paid. Send to me also for World's Pledge Cards (50c per 100, post-paid.) Honor Roll Certificates, (65c per 100 post-paid) and our beautiful Pledge Roll of Honor (50c).

Miss Florence Douglas, a young woman who is a member of the Gilby W. C. T. U., has received a prize of fifty dollars in a national essay contest conducted by the Congregational Church Extension Board. The theme was "America's Religiously Untrained Youth." Congratulations to Miss Douglas.

SECRETARY'S CORNER

Dear Comrades:

How good it seems to address you again! I am deeply grateful for your kind interest in my welfare through the past months. You brightened the days for me in a way that I can never forget.

After leaving the hospital, I spent two months with relatives at Grand Forks and am now in my son's home in Minneapolis. I am steadily gaining and looking forward to seeing many of you at the state convention in Jamestown, Sept. 9-12. It is fifteen years since we enjoyed the hospitality of our friends at Jamestown. They are making extensive preparations and will show us they have not forgotten how to entertain.

As our convention dates are early, because of the dates set for National convention, it may require an extra effort to get our women together but our beloved Miss Gordon's presence with us will make any sacrifice worth while. The Jamestown union has appointed the following convention committees: General Arrangements, Mrs. Alson Wells; Entertainment, Mrs. H. S. Biss; Reception, Mrs. H. Kormnesser; Banquet, Mrs. Frances Peake; Finance, Mrs. B. A. Norris; Decoration, Mrs. W. B. DeNault; Music, Mrs. Oscar Zimmerman; Post-office, Mrs. R. A. Bolton; Platform, Mrs. J. M. Holcomb. Delegates will be entertained for room and breakfast and names should be sent to Mrs. H. S. Biss by Sept. 1st.

I have been watching with interest the reports from district conventions and the field work of Mrs. Julia D. Nelson of Fargo, and rejoice in the progress of the work and in the organizations of new unions at Lakota and at Edinburg. I am much interested in our unique membership campaign this year and trust we shall have a fine display of shields, with names of volunteer captains, at state convention and later at the National meeting.

The report blanks have been prepared and will be sent out early this year, with request that they be returned by August 20th, thus giving the state superintendents time to formulate their reports before state convention.

On leaving here, I hope to spend a few days with our president, Mrs. Anderson, at her summer home, but expect to be at Bovesmont for the month of August. Will you kindly send reports to me there?

Cordially your comrade,

Barbara H. Wylie.

"THE CHALLENGE OF YOUTH"

This is a vast subject and I do not presume to exhaust it, nor do it justice, but will touch on one or two points.

In connection with our public schools we have an organization known as the Parent-Teachers Association. This gives us a very beautiful picture, father, mother, teacher and child grouped together, the parents and teacher cooperating and concentrating in thought for the training of the child. We name this picture "The Challenge of Youth."

This challenge "summons every agency however remotely connected with the training of youth to serious consideration of methods by which youth may be taught why and how to safeguard himself and his fellows."

The late Dr. G. Stanley Hall has said, "The masses must be far more

intelligent in a democracy than in any other form of government; there must also be very advanced training for leaders whose power will be the power of knowledge." With our twenty millions of students enrolled in the schools of our land and many more boys and girls in the mines, mills, factories and the cotton, tobacco and wheat fields, this is our greatest challenge.

The child of today opens his eyes at birth to the automobile, aeroplane and submarine; his ears to the telephone, phonograph and the radio. These have been given to the world by the power of knowledge, and are no more wonderful to him than the every day things of childhood were to us. But the child of today with such an environment, is not the child of yesterday, nor can we expect him to be satisfied with the things that satisfied us at his age. But these things are products of the times, and the child is a product of the times just as Abraham Lincoln was a product of his time. Abraham Lincoln caught the vision and knew that if he was to succeed he must have the power of knowledge. We see him with a book in hand, night after night, stretched before the fire-place in his log cabin home with no other light but the blaze from the log on the hearth, searching for knowledge.

We watch him as he climbs the great ladder of life, one round at a time, until he reaches the topmost round and is made president of his country and today is known as the greatest president. He learned how to safeguard himself and his fellows, for he freed the black man from his bondage of slavery and gave to his country the first emancipation proclamation. And not only this, but he welded North and South so firmly together that secession states have been and are a thing of the past. And this has become the greatest nation in the world by the power of knowledge!

This year we celebrate the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the drafting of "that greatest of state papers," by Benjamin Franklin, John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, and the Independence of the United States. We wonder if they even dreamed of what the "power of knowledge" would give to their country in this short period of time.

President Coolidge has said the individual has an inescapable responsibility for the development of character, industry, thrift and self control—do you catch the word inescapable?

The power of knowledge has given much to the world, it has given the Eighteenth Amendment to our National Constitution, prohibiting the manufacture, sale, transportation, importation and exportation of alcoholic liquors as a beverage, and the Volstead Act, making the allowable alcoholic content one-half of one per cent. Abraham Lincoln believed in this and said, after the war, "the next great question will be the liquor traffic."

The power of knowledge has given the Nineteenth Amendment to our Constitution, placing the ballot in the hands of woman—great privileges but great responsibilities. In Abraham Lincoln's day the college doors were closed to women, today not only the college doors are open but the professional, commercial, industrial and political worlds are inviting her to enter.

We are looking to the power of

knowledge to give to our country another emancipation proclamation when the bondage of child labor shall be lifted and every boy and girl in this fair land shall have the privilege of learning how to "safeguard himself and his fellows."

The question of alcoholic liquors is a great part in the "Challenge of Youth." The child embodies the great tomorrow toward which we build. There are those who must bridge the period between their father's prohibition of the liquor traffic to that of coming generations. Will they carry on the long years of labors their fathers have given for the freeing of the United States from the burdens of alcoholic drink and the liquor traffic? This depends on the pains we take in teaching them the vision of the objectives of prohibition and a vision of the world they must help to build.

How shall this educational work be done? "There is no new royal road to public enlightenment." This must be done through the schools and colleges, the printed page, the spoken word, the poster, the libraries, literature more systematically distributed. Libraries should be kept supplied with the best new information. Let home and church do their part of telling the reasons why sobriety is an advantage, and how prohibition is bettering old alcoholic conditions. We cannot go back to the legalized liquor traffic that impoverishes the home and robs youth of its birthright, which is an education. The question of alcoholic liquors is a very great part of the "Challenge of Youth" and summons every agency however remotely connected with the training of youth to serious consideration of methods by which youth may be taught why and how to safeguard himself and his fellows.

Lillie B. Smith,
State Supt. S. T. I.

THE UNION SIGNAL

Dear Comrades:

Mrs. Anderson wants our Union Signal to make a good showing at the State Convention.

Desires that each union that has reached its quota (one in six members subscribing for the Union Signal) to place the name of Union on a card board (6x12) to be carried in the quota reached procession at Jamestown.

Don't forget to send the picture of your President to the National Headquarters, Evanston, Ill., so that she can attend the National Convention at Los Angeles September 26th, October 1st by the photo route. "In the March of the Union Signal Quota Presidents."

Tend to your subscription expirations. We lost six in June. So now are at just our quota 529. Let it not be your fault if we have to drop out of the quota reached list. Let the new members know how important it is to take our own paper, to be posted with dry facts, and the Young Cursader for the children.

Yours for a good showing at State and National Conventions.

Mrs. Geo. F. Clark.

Mrs. E. C. Watkins and Mrs. Lou Wylie Zimmerman spoke at a picnic of the Frazee, Minn., W. C. T. U. on July 15.

Mrs. Kate S. Wilder is to speak at a porch party given by the Lisbon W. C. T. U. July 30. The guests will be young women.

PATRIOTIC ROLL

The Patriotic Roll signatures are important—more so than we may think. It is important to let the world know how young America feels, thinks and reasons in respect to law enforcement. The "wets" are spreading the false news that young boys and girls are opposed to the 18th amendment. We know that the youth of our country has more sense than the "wets" attribute to them. To sign this roll does not mean membership in any organization but it simply means that the signers are in favor of the Federal constitution and want every detail of it enforced. Signatures are to be secured only from those between the ages of 14 and 25. Secure signatures from social and civic and religious organizations. Let the W. C. T. U. or Y. P. B. get busy getting signatures. Send to me for blanks if you need them. The quota for N. D. in order that a million names may be secured, is 2000. Can it be done? Yes if we do it, but not otherwise.

We believe that even in these evil and lawless days our people do not want to give up the fight against King Alcohol. There are comparatively very few after all who want to withdraw an item from the ideal of absolute temperance. If (we know it won't) even the smallest percentage of alcohol in liquors is again legalized, it will not be due to the activity of the anti-constitution element, but it will be due to the inactivity of the good people. Let us get busy—getting signatures to the patriotic roll. Send the completed rolls to me for use at state, national and international conventions. "Be not simply good, be good for something." Let me hear from Y. P. B. and W. C. T. U. branches all over N. D. Remember 2000 names is our task. We can do it, but we do not live in fairyland where things do themselves in mysterious ways. No, our land is real and our temperance work is not for fairies or for supernatural creatures, it is for brave, willing, red-blooded, patriotic men and women.

Laura Wold,
Sec. Y. P. B.

For Summer Outings—Picnics—Camp Meetings, Etc.

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DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

Thirteenth District

The 25th annual convention of the Thirteenth District was held in the Methodist Church at Lisbon May 18 and 19 with Mrs. E. W. Farnsworth district president, in charge. Rev. Wilson Johnston gave the opening devotional address. The delegates were welcomed by Mrs. W. G. Crocker. The response was given by Miss May Hanson who also gave the budget demonstration. The reports of officers and local unions showed the work in good condition. An interesting demonstration "How to win new members" was put on by Mrs. Kate S. Wilder and Mrs. Nina Porter. It was learned that the 19th was Mrs. Porter's birthday, and she was given congratulations and the white ribbon cheer by the convention. An elaborate picnic supper was served. Mrs. Wilder gave a convincing and forceful address on the work and aims of the Women's Christian amendment and exposed the fallacies of the opponents of the law. The meeting closed with a solo by Mrs. A. W. Ritter and benediction by Rev. W. R. Thatcher. Five active and two honorary members were secured at the evening meeting.

Third District

The Third District convention met at Upham June 16th and 17th. Routine business was transacted and matters pertaining to the work of our organization were discussed, and the necessity of going to the Primary election June 30th and casting our ballots for the candidate that we believe will most clearly advocate our principals in practice as well as in theory was forcibly presented. The election of law enforcing officials who believe in the Eighteenth Amendment, and that the oath which they take for its support upon entering upon its duties means something to them, and their constituency, was reiterated by those in attendance.

Thomas W. Gales, Supt. of the Anti-Saloon League of the state, was with us during our sessions and was very helpful in all ways. The last evening he gave an address on the Eighteenth Amendment and its Enforcement, in connection with the motion picture "Lest We Forget", to a good sized and appreciative audience.

The Upham people entertained us royally, showed us numerous courtesies and ministered to our every want as far as lay in their power.

Mrs. Felix Semrau of Balfour was elected corresponding secretary for the coming year and all other officers were re-elected.

Twentieth District

The annual convention of the Twentieth District was held in the beautiful Lutheran Church at Christine June 1. The guests of honor were Mrs. Elizabeth P. Anderson, state president, Mrs. E. C. Watkins, state treasurer and Mrs. Julia D. Nelson, state field worker. Encouraging reports were given from the local unions, district officers, and superintendents. Fine addresses were given by Prof. A. Skarvold on "The Precinct Committee and the Party," and by States Attorney C. E. Lounsbury on "Law Enforcement." A budget demonstration was conducted by Mrs. Watkins. Mrs. Nelson and Mrs. Watkins illustrated in graphic style how to "Mobilize for Law Observance." Mrs. Eleanora W. Ripley

gave an address on the value of The Union Signal. A number of subscriptions were taken while the convention sang "Subscribe, Subscribe." Mrs. Anderson spoke in the evening on "What Modification of the Prohibition Act, Means." The president, Miss Lottie Tollefson, not only presided but gave several delightful vocal solos. The Christine union served a bountiful lunch and supper in the basement of the church. The pastor of the church, Rev. Nelson, and Rev. F. W. Agte of Wyndmere, were very helpful throughout the convention.

Eleventh District

The 17th annual convention of the Eleventh District was held at McKenzie June 17, with Mrs. Ella C. Boise, president, presiding. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Frank Lawellin. A fine address of welcome was given by Rev. Mrs. Zellar, the response was fittingly made by Mrs. Sara Ankenmann. The report of the treasurer, Mrs. C. D. Rodgers, showed the district in a better financial condition than it has been for years. The reports of unions each showed a gain in membership and greater interest on the part of members.

Mrs. L. E. Heaton conducted the memorial service for two honorary members and Mrs. Kate M. Curry, of Hope, mother of the district president. A symposium, "Training for Service," was given by Mrs. Sara Ankenmann, Mrs. C. W. Smith, and Mrs. Fred Hanson, Mrs. Boise and Mrs. Ankenmann were made life members of the state W. C. T. U. Little Harley James Zellar, Mary Heaton and Palmer Putnam were dedicated as White Ribbon Recruits.

In the evening an L. T. L. demonstration was conducted by Mrs. J. L. Hughes, and a Union Signal demonstration by Mrs. C. W. Smith. This was followed by a fine address by the States Attorney, Mr. F. E. McCurdy on "Why the Eighteenth Amendment, How to Enforce It."

The McKenzie union served lunch at noon and a delicious banquet in the evening. The following officers were Mrs. Ella C. Boise, president; Mrs. Sara Ankenmann, vice president; Mrs. Lillian Craven, corresponding secretary; Mrs. C. R. Jolley, recording secretary; Mrs. C. D. Rodgers, treasurer.

First District

The 33rd annual convention of the First District met in Cando June 9-10. It was in Cando 1894 First District was organized. Mrs. F. M. Wanner was the guest of honor and gave a splendid address. An unexpected pleasure was afforded in the presence of Mrs. Necia E. Buck, National organizer, who for sixteen years was our most beloved leader.

Convention opened with consecration service led by Mrs. Anna Irwin, district corresponding secretary. Report of the treasurer, Mrs. Margaret Shand, showed a good financial condition. Fifty dollars was received from Cando union from donations of business men for advertising in note books which were given the delegates and sent out to other members. Reports showed ten working unions, three Y. P. B.'s and six L. T. L.'s. Calvin and Preston led in L. T. L. work, Preston having a paid membership of 53. Devils Lake and Cando reported two gains in membership campaign. Cando under Mrs. Noyes and Mrs. Duguid as captains, gained 54 Y. P. B. members. Mrs. Buck urged

further work in a most enthusiastic address.

Essay contest work was reported taken up by Superintendent of schools of Towner County. Three medal contests were reported.

States Attorney Houska gave a very instructive address on "Law Enforcement" and offered the hearty cooperation of his office for better enforcement. A fine banquet was served by Cando union. The usual addresses of welcome were given by representatives of the city schools, women's clubs and the churches. Response was made by Mrs. J. H. Rosholt, district vice president. Mrs. Mary Haig, who read the Scripture lesson, has served 29 years as recording secretary. Mrs. Jahnke gave the best union report of Rock Lake. Splendid music was furnished throughout the meeting by the committee, Mesdames Hooke and Cray.

A committee was appointed to interview Fair Association concerning a W. C. T. U. room.

An impressive memorial service was conducted by Mrs. Shand. Mrs. Allie Gibbens paid most beautiful tribute to the memory of her pioneer friend and neighbor, Mrs. Ida Pile. Mrs. Hooke sang and the Cando union placed Mrs. Pile's name on the State Memorial Roll.

Invitation was received from Cray for Convention of 1927. 103 Union Signals were reported and 133 Young Crusaders.

Mrs. Minnie Dunbar was made a life member of the State W. C. T. U. by the convention.

The convention closed with a most inspiring address by Rev. Hooke on "Looking Forward." Closing prayer by E. H. Pile.

Sixteenth District

The 16th annual convention of the Sixteenth District was held at Larimore June 23rd. President Mrs. S. O. Nelson of Northwood presided. There were 21 delegates, representing Gilby, Northwood, and the two Grand Forks unions. The meeting was held in the United Lutheran church. The opening session was devoted to appointment of committees, reports of local unions department superintendents and district officers.

Symposium—"Training for Service" was in charge of Mrs. J. W. Scott, Mrs. Geo. Black, and Mrs. Will McCannache, followed by interesting discussions by various members.

The memorial hour was in charge of Mrs. Will McCannache.

Attorney Lydia B. Johnson of Pierre, S. D. lecturer for the organization was present and gave valuable assistance in the discussion of problems and departments of the work.

Address, "The Challenge of Youth" given by Mrs. Lillie B. Smith was very interesting and a fine paper on "Character Building" was read by Mrs. Geo. Naylor.

An interesting talk on "The Union Signal and its Value" by Mrs. R. Darling.

Musical numbers by Mesdames C. E. Hanson and Benway, Arna Njaa, Margaret Anderson and Agnes Way were a pleasing part of the program.

The old officers with the exception of one were re-elected. Mrs. J. W. Scott of Gilby was elected vice president in place of Mrs. George Muir, who has faithfully filled the office for two years.

At 6:00 o'clock the delegates gathered at the Prevost hotel and enjoyed a hearty dinner, after which Mrs.

Geo. Naylor in her pleasing manner welcomed the delegates and acted as toastmaster. There were many clever responses to the toasts prepared, and all those present enjoyed a happy time.

At the evening session Judge E. C. LeBacken spoke briefly on law and justice. Mrs. Lydia B. Johnson gave a fine and inspiring address on the present need of the White Ribbon work in the land, and told of the interests in many foreign countries of the success of prohibition in the United States.

Rev. C. E. Hanson gave a fine talk at the close of the evening session, admonishing the White Ribboners to carry on the work, and that every citizen should consider it their personal duty to help enforce the law.

The convention was invited to Grand Forks next year.

Mrs. Julia D. Nelson of Fargo was with us and gave valuable assistance during the convention and Mrs. Minnie Hanson of Hatton, president of the 15th District was also one of our guests.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. S. O. Nelson.

14th District Convention W. C. T. U.

The convention at Guelph, May 20, was a "red-letter" day for the newly organized auxiliary, and for all who attended the convention. Mrs. F. S. Shoemaker of Ellendale was the presiding officer and Mrs. Kate S. Wilder of Fargo was the principal speaker.

The courage of this new auxiliary was equalled only by their hospitality and the interest manifested by the general public. At the evening session the church was filled, the number of men present being gratifying.

After Mrs. Wilder's convincing address, the convention went on record by resolution as being opposed to any change in existing laws on prohibition or modification of the Volstead Act.

Six auto loads came over from Ellendale for the evening meeting.

Mrs. A. W. Payne, delegate from Milnor, N. D.

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