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"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH."

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GOOD NEWS!

Talk happiness! The world is sad enough
Without your woes. No path is wholly rough;
Look for the places that are smooth and clear
And speak of those, to rest the weary ear
Of earth, so hurt by one continuous strain
Of human discontent and grief and pain.

Talk faith! The world is better off without
Your uttered ignorance and morbid doubt;
If you have faith in God, or man, or self
Say so; if not, push back upon the shelf
Of silence all your thoughts, till faith shall come;
No one will grieve because your lips are dumb.

Talk health! The dreary, never changing tale
Of mortal maladies is worn and stale.
You cannot charm, or interest or please
By harping on that minor chord, disease,
Say you are well, or all is well with you,
And God shall hear your words and make them true.
—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Comrades—

We have delayed the publication of the White Ribbon Bulletin a few days in order to report the two very important meetings held in Fargo February 27 and 28. As you know, petitions are being circulated for the repeal of the prohibition article of our state Constitution, also to memorialize Congress to amend or repeal the Eighteenth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States.

To meet this issue, our mid-year executive meeting was called earlier than usual—February 28th—and a citizens' mass meeting was held February 27. The fine attendance and stirring addresses at these meetings indicate the great interest in the coming campaign. The mass meeting adopted resolutions stating the fact that North Dakota had been a prohibition state since its organization 41 years ago; that prohibition had increased the economic well-being of our people, increased savings, decreased poverty, crime and immorality and made the state a safe place to rear our children.

Referring to government sale, which is advocated by the wet forces, it was stated that in Canada, under this system, the consumption of liquor has doubled, intoxication in-

creased, the use of liquor among young people increased, auto accidents increased, disrespect for law increased and that bootlegging is more common than in the United States. The people of the state, without regard to faction, creed or party, were called upon to unite in one democratic, cosmopolitan organization to defend our Constitution and to fight against those who urge measures inimical to the best interests of the people of our state.

An executive committee was elected consisting of the following members, Dr. Thos. F. Kane, President of the State University; Dr. J. H. Shepperd, acting president of the North Dakota Agricultural College; Prof. Peter Anderson of Concordia College; Mr. M. N. Hatcher, Fargo; Mr. L. F. Scatterday, Secretary; Y. M. C. A.; Hon. H. F. Horner, Fargo; Mr. Roy R. Wolfer, Jamestown; Thos. F. Gales, Fargo and Elizabeth Preston Anderson, Grafton. This committee will meet March 11th to elect a general committee of sixty, with at least one member from every county in the state, and to organize for the campaign.

At our mid-year executive meeting, it was voted to cooperate with this state wide, dry organization and also to put on an intensive campaign of organization and education. To make sure of victory, we should double our membership this year. This can be done by every member doing what she can right where she is. Ask your neighbor to join the W. C. T. U. in defense of her own home and her children. The Hold Fast campaign ends March 8th and we begin at once on the Go Forward campaign.

Have you appointed your captain of the membership campaign? Her lieutenants may be the vice presidents who represent the different churches. Lists of names of all church members who are not members of the W. C. T. U. should be prepared and these women carefully canvassed first. See December White Ribbon Bulletin for complete membership plans. I earnestly urge every union in this critical year to take part in the membership campaign. You may think your territory has been thoroughly canvassed in the past and that every woman has been asked to join. Some may have been overlooked and women often change their minds. Invite every woman who is not a member. Write to me or to Mrs. Wylie letting us know that you are putting on the campaign and literature and pledge cards will be sent you.

We are greatly encouraged and cheered by the reports of the district presidents at the executive meeting. Splendid work is being done in the distribution of National literature. The little town of Christine with about 200 population, distributes 500 leaflets every month and report they have none left. They circulate the literature in nearby towns where there are no unions and give to the school children to take home to their parents. Other methods reported, were handing leaflets to people coming out of moving picture shows and to people coming out of churches, Protestant and Catholic; putting leaflets in automobiles and by house to house distribution. Plans were made for the circulation of this literature in the counties where we have no organizations; also for special organizing work in those counties which gave a wet majority two years ago.

Every union is asked to enlist the children by organizing North Dakota Prohibition Guards and teaching them prohibition songs and rallies which will be furnished free from State Headquarters. No special organization is necessary—simply find a leader who will teach them these songs and yells. This is an important part of our prohibition campaign and the work should begin at once that the children may be ready to assist when mass meetings are held.

Watch for the call for County Dry Conventions to be held at the Court House at your county seat. Be sure to attend this convention. Urge influential, temperance men and women of your town to be there, in order that your county may have the best possible organization for the campaign. It is folly to underestimate the strength of the enemy we have to fight. We won two years ago by the small majority of 6859. Work should be done in every precinct of the state this year and a house to house canvass made to secure 100% dry vote on election day. We have hard fighting ahead but we must win.

Yours faithfully,
Elizabeth Preston Anderson.

Mrs. J. M. Holcomb, state director of Narcotics, arranged for the broadcasting of our cigar and smoking laws over WDAX, telling what use is made of the revenue. Mrs. Holcomb is also arranging for a rousing narcotic meeting Feb. 25, with Dr. Joseph Sorkness as speaker.



MRS. GEO. F. CLARK

(Our ardent advocate and persevering promoter of The Union Signal and Young Crusader has given long and faithful service in this important department and her message follows.—Ed.)

Dear Co-Workers:—

Let us all remember that March is Union Signal month. Notwithstanding we get so much on the prohibition question from other sources, we want our own paper, The Union Signal, to get the real truth. Take advantage of the offers for the month of March.

How fine it would be if every union could reach its quota—one subscriber for every six members. The goal of one-half as many subscribers as members has been launched by the state of New York.

Let no W. C. T. U. home be without The Young Crusader for the children. If "Eternal vigilance is the price of prohibition," then "Constant reading is the price of information." The subscription price is 35 cents a year. In clubs of ten, 30 cents each.

We must know the accurate and authentic facts to offset the mass of dangerous and false propaganda. In our study, thought, prayer and conversation, remember "Knowledge is power."

Yours for God and Home and Every Land,

Mrs. Geo. F. Clark.
Fargo, N. D.

"Do not be afraid of being too happy or think that you honor God by wearing a sour face when He is heaping blessings on you and calling on you to smile and sing."—Chas. Kingsley.

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COMPELLED TO CONFESS

The Federal Trade Commission, that cold-blooded, fact-finding government agency—not the churches or W. C. T. U.—has been attacking the cigaret makers' claims as no other organization has been able to do. The commission has obtained from the tobacco men a humiliating confession of falsehood, deceit and imposture. The newspapers printed the fake advertising—they are backward about making the correction.

But the cigaret corporation was brought to justice and admitted that it lied when it said smoking cigarets would keep a woman from getting overweight. It admitted printing testimonials from people who not only did not write them but never saw them. It admitted paying for testimonials from a group of actresses to the effect that the use of these cigarets kept them slender and fit for their work, though these actresses were not smokers at all.

And the cigaret corporation promised to stop all this advertising and agreed that if it broke its promise, the Federal Trade Commission might make a new complaint and bring it to trial again.

Many times it has happened that the state or some other secular agency has wakened up a little later and admitted that the churches and the W. C. T. U. were right. The latter have pioneered in slavery, child labor, war, the drink traffic, and other evils. We continue to protest against the lying propaganda for profit which would create a new population of smokers among those groups which are most harmed by the regrettable habit.

WILLARD MEMORIAL MEETINGS

Carrington union met in the Methodist Church to celebrate the heavenly birthday of Frances Willard, February 17, with appropriate program. Winners in the essay contest, from third to eighth grade, read their essays.

Fargo Scandinavian union, meeting at the home of Mrs. E. Sherring, had the pleasure of listening to a most interesting address by the state president, Mrs. Anderson, who gave personal reminiscences of Miss Willard. Mrs. Julia D. Nelson presided and Mrs. H. P. Halvorson sang. Short talks were given by Mrs. E. C. Watkins and Mrs. R. M. Pollock. Fargo union met Feb. 14th and also had the pleasure of listening to Mrs. Anderson in her pleasing address. The occasion being Mrs. Pollock's birthday, a corsage bouquet was presented by the union. Fargo has placed a literature box in the Great Northern depot there and permission has been obtained from officials of the G. N. railroad to place a similar box in any of their stations in North Dakota.

Jamestown held a Frances Willard social at the home of the state vice president, Mrs. Fred M. Wanner. A good program was prepared and a pleasant evening enjoyed, with refreshments served at the close.

Minot celebrated at the home of Mrs. C. C. Mounce. The vice president, Mrs. Geo. Campbell, presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. C. F. Truax. A paper on the life and work of Miss Willard was given by Mrs. C. E. Brace. Minot is studying the North Dakota prohibition law. We would remind them and all our comrades that free copies of the law may be had from State Headquarters at Fargo. Minot has prepared a very attractive yearly program and we are favored with a copy.

Willard memorial meetings were also reported from Hunter, Lakota and Sharon, where interesting programs were given.

"THE INSTITUTE'S THE THING"

We are fortunate in having in our state the National director of Institutes, Mrs. Kate S. Wilder of Fargo, who is enthusiastic over this important department. And we are thankful that even in the cold month of January, Mrs. Wilder was able to conduct local institutes at Christine, Fairmount, Grafton, Grand Forks and Larimore. At each place, when schools were in session, addresses were given and 918 pupils reached. Included in this was the Indian School at Wahpeton with 400 in attendance. At Christine, six ladies from Abercrombie attended the institute. In the evening audience at Fairmount, the Boy Scouts and the High School Girls' Glee Club were present. An evening address was given at Wyndmere. The ladies at Fairmount and Wyndmere, having discovered that January 23rd was Mrs. Wilder's birthday, observed the occasion in a very pleasing manner.

At Forest River, three new members were gained. At Grafton, the state president, Mrs. Anderson, assisted in the institute. A new member was gained and three new sub-

scriptions for The Union Signal. At Grand Forks and Larimore, attendance and interest were good and new actives and honoraries were secured. At Larimore, Mrs. Wilder was assisted by the district president, Mrs. S. O. Nelson of Northwood.

Mrs. Josephine E. Sizer, president of Minnesota W. C. T. U., on her way west in January, spent several days in our state and conducted helpful institutes at Jamestown, Steele and Bismarek, also spending Sunday in Dickinson where she spoke in the Methodist Episcopal Church. At Jamestown Mrs. Sizer addressed the schools, reaching 800 pupils. She was assisted in the institute by Mrs. Fred M. Wanner and Mrs. E. S. Bordwell. Report has not been received of the meeting at Steele. The Bismarek institute created much interest and was generously reported in the local papers by Mrs. J. H. Hughes, our publicity director there.

Mrs. Guy F. Harris, Carrington, president of the Second district, who had previously held institutes at Oberon and New Rockford, celebrated January 16th by holding an institute at Sheyenne. Mrs. J. O. Severson, president, writes: "The afternoon session was in the form of a model meeting and showed thoughtful preparation on the part of Mrs. Harris. Our hostess, Mrs. L. G. Soderholm, had prepared a beautiful birthday cake with ten candles, to further commemorate the day. The evening meeting was in connection with the usual P. T. A. and in spite of cold and storm, a good crowd was in attendance. The winning papers in an essay contest conducted by the local union were read and prizes awarded by the local president. All grades above the second participated in this contest. Mrs. Harris had a fine address and got two new members after the meeting. We feel that the institute was well worth while. The four bells that Sheyenne boasts were all rung for ten minutes at noon so we feel that we got considerable advertising across." Mrs. Harris plans institutes at Esmond, Turtle Lake and Carrington.

Under the auspices of the Fargo Scandinavian union, an institute was conducted Feb. 12th by the state president, Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson. Meses. E. C. Watkins, R. E. Skonnord and Geo. F. Clark assisted on the program. Mrs. C. W. Finwall led devotions.

Thus we report twelve local institutes to date. We trust many more will follow.

Mrs. R. E. Skonnord, state director of Soldiers and Sailors department, arranged a musical radio program for the ex-service men at the Veterans Hospital, Fargo. Heads of the music department of Concordia College assisted. Another program will be given soon. Mrs. Albert Johnson of Nekoma, director of this work for the 17th district, has been active in securing donations for the hospital. Mrs. Walter Jackson of the Fargo union has prepared two dozen tray cloths, 21 by 14 inches, with the initials "W. C. T. U." neatly worked in the corner.

Splendid reports of Victory Day celebrations at Cando, Carrington, Crystal Springs, Hettinger, Lakota and Stanley were received too late for last issue.

WELCOMING OUR NEW DIRECTOR

Of Christian Citizenship, who says: Dear White Ribboners:—

Every thoughtful person is giving considerable attention to "affairs of state" at this time, with political issues in the making to be voted on in June and at the general election in November. In addition to the election of officials, there is a great possibility that our prohibition law will come up for trial again and that we shall have to vote on the question of Sunday movies. With these challenges, each white ribboner will feel the urge to "shoulder arms" and muster into the ranks of active and effective Christian Citizenship.

Mrs. Stella C. Stimson, National director, explains that citizenship means responsibility for nomination and election, under party supervision, of government officials who have tremendous appointive power, subject to party control. More officials are appointed than elected. Politics means the science of government. In the United States, the science of government includes political party practices, good and bad. To be intelligent in government, we must make a study of the Constitution, of election and prohibition laws, federal and state; we must observe the acts of officials as given in the press or from personal visits to courts, legislatures and other government bodies in session.

The aim of this department is to create an intelligent, voting Christian citizenship and to help give prohibition its chance. Vigilance, if not intelligent, may be harmful, especially in politics and citizenship, upon both of which enforcement depends. Ages ago, the prophet wrote, "My people are destroyed by lack of knowledge."

The Plan of Work provides new and revised leaflets, study books, work with first voters. Among those are Studies in Citizenship, Studies in Government, The Declaration of Independence, Ten Minute Citizenship Study and many instructive leaflets. The first three pamphlets will be furnished on request. The leaflets will be mailed to each union. In addition, members are urged to subscribe for The Union Signal and make weekly use of it. The price—\$1.00 a year—is a part of the price of prohibition. Keep a file of Signals in easy reach, also clippings of value for future use. Study the North Dakota prohibition law, given in the White Ribbon Bulletin and in the pamphlet which may be had free from State Headquarters. Study and observation of government is "Dry work," feared by the wets.

With much appreciation, and with faith in the Power outside of ourselves, to help us to be workers together for righteousness in government,

Yours faithfully,
Mrs. Geo. Campbell,
Minot, N. D. State Director.

Mrs. A. H. Smart of Lakota is spending the winter in California. The new officers at Lakota are, President, Mrs. C. A. Peterson, secretary, Mrs. N. Mork, treasurer, Mrs. F. E. Clayton.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jan. 20-Feb. 22

DUES—Lisbon \$7.00, Calvin 2.80, Finley 1.40, Drayton 13.30, Hannah 2.80, Stanley 14.00, Ellendale 9.10, Upham 6.30, Bottineau 13.30, Fargo 23.10, Mrs. Leslie Coombs, Pickardville, N. D., 1.00, Montpelier L. T. L. 2.00, Van Hook 2.10, Grand Forks 2.80, Jamestown 13.30, Park River 2.10, Bottineau with exc., 3.50, Steele 70c, Hettinger 7.70, Minot 6.30.

BUDGET—Lisbon \$10.00, Calvin 23.00, Alamo, Stevens Legislative, 2.70, Christine 20.00, Drayton 9.45, Williston 9.00, Sharon, Stevens Leg., 3.51, Jamestown, Stevens Leg. 2.00, Park River, complete 14.80, Hettinger, Willard Mem., 50c, Stanley comp., 5.20, Mayville, comp., 33.80, Linton, Stevens Leg., 2.00, Fargo, comp., 35.00.

MISCELLANEOUS — Lisbon for N. D. Children's Home \$1.00; Upham, reports, 75c; Bottineau, reports, 75c; Kate S. Wilder, col. on field, 27.71; Grand Forks, reports, 75c; Fargo Scan., reports 1.50; Jamestown, Self Denial, 3.55 Jamestown, reports 75c; Park River, Topical programs, 1.50; Hettinger, Self Denial, 1.50; Stanley, reports, 75c; Mayville, reports, 75c; Mrs. J. N. Wallestad, receipts for Essay contest dept., 9.75.

Honor Roll—"Hold Fast" Unions

"Preston," Bottineau, Van Hook, Bismarck, Mayville, Prosper, Gilby, Larimore.

Dear White Ribboners:

Above is the list of those who have been fortunate in securing their membership of last year, or the dues for the number of members that they had last year. Some have even made a nice gain.

The time is not up yet for the "Hold Fast" campaign to close, but there will only be a few days left after you get your March Bulletins. It may be some of you can get the remaining part of the dues for your membership of last year by the time of the closing date, March 8th.

Some of you were so near the goal I was sorry not to put your names on the Honor Roll too, and I trust that yet I may have the needed dues to have your name on the Roll in the April Bulletin.

Our best efforts and wishes are with you for a successful "Hold Fast" and "Go Forward" campaign.

Very sincerely,
Mrs. E. C. Watkins,

JESUS CHRIST AND WE

Christ has no hands but our hands
To do His work to-day;
He has no feet but our feet
To lead men in His way;
He has no tongue but our tongues
To tell men how He died,
He has no help but our help
To bring them to His side.

We are the only Bible
The careless world will read;
We are the sinner's gospel
We are the scoffer's creed;
We are the Lord's last message
Given in deed and word—
What if the line is crooked?
What if the type is blurred?

We are human spirit-lamps, whose rays should be directed and intensified by the blow-pipe of an unceasing purpose.



MARY M. CAREY

"Love's light illumines the pathway they trod—
Comrades of yesterday—now saints of God."

We would pay a tribute of affection to the memory of this beloved friend of 35 years, whose Home-going leaves a vacancy which cannot be filled. Her beautiful Christian life was rich in service and much of it was given to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. In 1895 she was appointed assistant state evangelist, later evangelist and organizer. She was superintendent of jail and prison work, and in 1897 was elected president of the Third W. C. T. U. district, which position she held, with a few interruptions, until three years ago when she was made honorary president. She was state director of the department of Narcotics for eight years and of the Sunday School department for four years. For 30 years she was the faithful president of the union at Bottineau where she was loved and respected by all who knew her. She was a life member of the state W. C. T. U. It was an unusual pleasure to have her with us at Cando in October, to help celebrate our 40th anniversary. Though in failing health, she was bright and cheery, with occasional flashes of her old-time wit. Her last illness, from pneumonia, was brief, and on February 6th Mary Carey was—

"Born into beauty and born into bloom,
Victor immortal o'er death and the tomb."

Our loving sympathy is extended to her sisters, Miss Edith J. Carey of Bottineau and Mrs. W. E. Black of Fargo, and to our comrades in the Bottineau union and the Third district.

Those who attended the Cando convention will remember with pleasure Mrs. J. C. Sims of Hettinger, who with her husband drove 400 miles to be with us. Since then comes the sad word of the sudden death of Mr. Sims, due to an accident while working on a bridge some distance from home. Dear Mrs. Sims and her family of six sons and four daughters have our sincere sympathy in their affliction.

Edgeley union is bereaved in the passing of a faithful member, Mrs. Ella Anderson.

Nekoma union mourns the loss of a beloved member, Mrs. J. O. Dahle, active in the work for twelve years.

CHILD WELFARE AND HEALTH

Our year of 1929 was one of achievement, due to the splendid cooperation of the unions throughout the state but we aspire to do a little better this year. Every union should have a Child Welfare and Health department and get the work started early. Is not this vital problem of common interest to all?

In the words of President Hoover—"The tie between the child and all adult life is at once the strongest and gentlest element in human nature. Greater sacrifices are made for children than for ourselves; greater happiness is derived from these sacrifices than from all the triumphs that personal success can bring. Figures of infant mortality have a rather sinister place in the picture of American child health. The World War killed in action or as a result of wounds received in action, ten out of every thousand men in the American army. But those whose business is statistics point out that even No Man's Land in war was apparently safer than the cradle in peace, for every thousand babies born in the United States today, seventy-seven die during the first year. There is encouragement, however, in the fact that infant mortality has steadily declined during the past twenty years, to less than half. I might repeat that a Bill of Rights should be written for every child, and I would compose it as follows:—

"The ideal to which we should strive is that there should be no child in America that has not been born under proper conditions, that does not live in hygienic surroundings, that ever suffers from under-nutrition, that does not have prompt and efficient medical attention, that does not receive primary instruction in the elements of hygiene and good health; that there shall be no child who does not have the complete birthright of a sound mind in a sound body. Our work is racial defense. If we want this civilization to march forward towards higher economic standards, to moral and spiritual ideals, it will march only on the feet of healthy children."

We are familiar with scientific methods of child feeding today. Cows should be tuberculin tested. Milk classes for underweight children are made possible in many places by using the local half of the proceeds from sale of Christmas seals. Fresh air and nutrition camps have been established for those who need the supervised care and feeding at these vacation camps. We have one in this state—Camp Grassick, located on beautiful Lake Isabel, five miles from Dawson.

Dr. P. S. Bourdeau-Sisco, National director of Health, says:—"Part of the work of the great Master was to heal the body in order that the soul might have a more perfect vehicle in which to express itself. Other things being equal, physical health promotes spiritual health. The greater the soul development, the less desire for other gross forms of indulgence."

Mrs. P. J. Aason, the faithful treasurer of Oakes union, has our sympathy in the loss of her husband, a man of good principles and a member of the city council.

ence, including stimulants, the greater the refinement of the higher life, the less the clamoring of the lower nature and the demand for intoxicants. These principles constitute one of the foundations on which the Health Department is builded. Its organization, with these objects in view, lends force to the prohibition movement. Its goal is a dry America. Its method is education of the masses. Its inspiration is gathered from the joy of service."

The welfare of the home, the state, the nation and the race is bound up in the welfare of the child. To this end, this department seeks to cooperate with President Hoover in the interest of Child Health. May 1st has been set aside as Child Health Day. Our departments will unite in preparing a program for that day, to be observed all over the country. Our goal is a health meeting in each local union once a year. Let us do this in North Dakota.

Sincerely,
Mrs. R. A. Sprague,
Grand Forks, N. D. Director.

THE MID-YEAR MEETING

Though held on short notice, our mid-year meeting at Fargo, February 28, was attended by five general officers, the L. T. L. secretary, two field workers, seven district presidents, four state directors, the state historian, a trustee and the Union Signal promoter. The sessions were held in Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist church. The general officers met at 9 a. m. and the executive committee at 10 o'clock. Reports given were encouraging and showed much activity throughout the state.

A communication from Mrs. Albert E. Jones, President of the North Dakota Federation of Women's clubs, declared "we stand solidly behind the things for which our President of the United States, as well as our Federation, has declared."

At noon, a luncheon was served by the ladies of the hostess church, following which the district presidents spoke briefly of their work and Mrs. Skonnord told of the work at the Veterans Hospital.

The afternoon session took the form of a campaign institute, Mrs. Anderson presiding. Prayer was offered by Mrs. J. M. Holcomb of Jamestown. Mrs. Anderson explained the object of the dry state organization. Mrs. Bordwell advised organizing the children as Young Campaigners for Prohibition. The Value of our National Literature and The Union Signal in the campaign was discussed by Mrs. Wanner. Local Institutes were heartily advocated by Mrs. Wilder as helps in the campaign. Mrs. Beasley suggested ways by which we may enlist young people's societies. Mrs. Watkins spoke of the Self Denial Fund and Mrs. Wylie showed the relation of the membership campaign to the dry campaign. Mrs. H. P. Halvorson, accompanied by Mrs. J. L. Bianco, sang two numbers and the Friendship Sextette, with Mrs. C. E. Ward as accompanist, furnished two vocal selections. The invitation of Mrs. Lulu W. Zimmerman, president of the 12th district, to hold the next state convention in Valley City, was accepted with thanks.

MRS. MOYER'S MESSAGE

Dear Y. P. B. Workers:—

The following are the plans for the coming months:

I. Membership Campaign. (a) Time for preparation, including committees, lists of names, appointment captains and a lieutenant for each church, membership literature, etc. (b) Personal work for a month, ending in a week of intensive work, April 7-12. (c) Some recognition to team winning most members. (d) Reception for new members May 1. All new members secured from Nov. 1, 1929, to April 30, 1930, may be credited to this membership campaign.

II. Awards—A silk flag from National W. C. T. U. for every Branch which pays dues for as many members as last year, BY JUNE 30. North Dakota had 82 paid members last year. Only two states received flags. (b) To local branches with less than 50 members or 50 or more, which first reports to the state secretary not later than March 15, dues paid for as many members as last year—a year's subscription to The Union Signal. (c) To states with less than 500 members, \$5.00 for greatest net gain in young women members and \$5.00 for greatest net gain in young men members. (d) To every branch paying dues for 21 new members (men or women), an honor ribbon.

III. Study Course—Will you each try to do some of this work? See pages 16-20 in the Year Book. Note the Y. P. B. Extension Fund and the Light Line branch.

IV. Programs—Do you have a planned program for your meetings? Read the Y. P. B. page in The Union Signal of January 4. This will help you.

V. Projects—The work of the Roll Call still goes on. Next report will be in April. Copies of Youth's Census have been mailed you and more may be secured. This work should be started now.

VI. Reports—Please report your activities to the state Y. P. B. secretary. Thank you!

April is Y. P. B. month. Let us make use of The Union Signal, especially the Y. P. B. page.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Geo. H. Moyer, Secretary

PLAN EARLY FOR ARBOR DAY

Dear Members:—Bailey's Country Life Movement in the United States, in the report of the Country Life Commission says that to develop a satisfactory country life without conserving all the beauty of the landscape and developing the people to the point of appreciating it, is almost impossible. It says:

"In parts of the east, a regular system of parking the open country of the entire state is already begun, constructing the roads, preserving the natural features and developing the latent beauty in such a way that the whole country becomes part of one continuing landscape treatment. The scenery is, in fact, capitalized so that it adds to the property values and contributes to local patriotism and to the thrift of the commonwealth."

With the increasing number of auto trails, it behooves all of us to do our part in beautifying our homes

and prairies. If a part of the so-called Bad Lands is reserved for a National Park, increasing numbers of tourists will visit us. We want some of them to stay.

The planting of shelter belts is carried on by the state in cooperation with the Extension Division at Fargo, the Forester, Mr. L. S. Matthew of Bottineau, in charge. A similar project is carried on by the Northern Great Plains Field Station at Mandan for persons living west of the 100th meridian. Information regarding conditions under which trees are furnished free will be sent on application to either Mandan station or the State School of Forestry at Bottineau.

Dr. Raphael Don of the Federal Lakes state forestry department and President Cobb of the Bottineau School of Forestry believe that a proper forestry program will improve the productivity of our prairies. Every farm should have a shelter belt to afford comfort, protect buildings, livestock, garden and orchard and increase the value of the farm.

If General John J. Pershing takes time to plant a tree in memory of soldiers who have fallen, surely we may plant a tree or clump of shrubbery, if not for soldiers, then as a memorial to our own comrades who wore the white ribbon or to honor the living. Let us cooperate in establishing parks in all our towns and villages and making bird sanctuaries or refuges in our cemeteries wherever feasible. Bird lovers should provide these sanctuaries for song and insectivorous birds. Do you know that in 1929 \$7,800,000 was appropriated by Congress to buy ground to establish refuges for migratory game birds? So far as I know, not one cent has been set aside for our insect eaters.

For your young people, apply to your representative or to the U. S. Department of Agriculture at Washington for Farmers Bulletin No. 760, How to Attract Birds in Northwestern United States, and No. 1456, Homes for Birds, with Leaflet No. 36—Gouds for Bird Houses. And you will want to include Farmers Bulletins No. 727—Growing Fruit for Home Use, also No. 776—Cherries East of the Rocky Mountains and No. 1398, Currants and Gooseberries.

You will surely be interested in three bulletins to be obtained from the Agricultural Experiment Station, Agricultural College, Fargo—Bulletin 170, Perennial Flowers for North Dakota Homes, Bulletin 188, Fruit Culture in North Dakota and Bulletin 195, Making Use of Our Birds.

Looking for a hearty response in this line of work, Sincerely,
M. Inez Lee,
State Director.

Montpelier L. T. L. prepared a large box at Christmas time for a poor family. At present they are collecting tin foil. They have already paid dues. One of their members, Mildred Gullickson, wrote this clever yell:
"Never drink liquor—Never drink beer,
Always drink water and keep your head clear."

Never forget that the only indestructible material in destiny's fierce crucible is character.

COMRADES ACROSS THE SEA

From a white ribboner in England, we have received a copy of the January number of "White Ribbon and Wings," the journal of the National British Women's Total Abstinence Union, published in London, in which we read of an attempt to regulate the liquor traffic by reducing hours of sale. Earl Russell recently introduced in the House of Lords a road traffic bill, one section of which proposes to fine a drunken driver 50 pounds or imprisonment for four months or both, with disqualification for twelve months. Ten or twelve members of the Cabinet are total abstinents and 200 members of Parliament are pledged to local option.

Our British sisters kept two caravans on the road from April 1st to October 2nd last year. Each was in charge of a National officer, accompanied by a county worker who enlisted local workers in visiting twelve counties. This van was pitched in 67 towns or villages for two to five nights in each. A number of smaller villages and hamlets were visited on foot in most of the counties. Posters exhibited on all sides of the van and frequently changed, were read by hundreds. Many new members were enlisted. Their slogan is—"Tell the People 'Where There's Drink There's Danger.'"

These earnest workers have "Sixpenny Prize Stalls" which, they say, is "a variation of the more usual American Tea." All parcels are wrapped, displayed on tables so people can see the size and shape but are not opened until paid for at the rate of sixpence each. No exchanges are allowed but the purchaser may re-sell her parcel if she wishes. Tea is served.

Results of recent temperance polls in Scotland are very cheering. Lerwick, Stromness, Wick, Kilsyth, Kirkintilloch and Etewarton are all dry, the latter two since 1920. These are forerunners of ultimate triumph.

WEAR THE WHITE RIBBON

At a luncheon given Mrs. Armor by the Lake Wales W. C. T. U. in Florida, each visitor was asked to say a few words. Mrs. Armor said: "I must tell you the story of a lovely lady from Greece, Mrs. Caravacios. She is beautiful and accomplished, a graduate of the University of Athens, in Greece, and related to royalty. She is one of the most fascinating people I ever met.

"At the luncheon she said, 'I am glad I belong to the white ribbon, and I always wear it. Let me tell you how it saved me a great deal of inconvenience. I was with my little children in Egypt, and at Cairo I had half an hour to catch my train; but they say to me, you have to stand the examination. I beg them. No. I tell them I have to catch boat. They say, here the lady will take you and undress you and make examination.'

"I had on my white ribbon—thees little white bow. The lady spoke French and she saw my little bow and she said to me in French: 'O, you have the little white ribbon. The good people wear the white ribbon. You may go.'"

No evil habit, however small, shall have dominion over me.

A THING THAT MUST BE SAID

We have reached a definite conclusion that one of the approved methods of the organized wets is to bring about public debates on prohibition and kindred themes between eminent champions of the two aspects of the problem. A debate under the prevailing rules disarms suspicion. It looks like a fair fight in an open forum, in which the facts and arguments may be arrayed and due conclusions drawn. But these debates do not turn out that way. Be the dry speaker never so conclusive, the public press—which at least in the large cities is against prohibition—does not permit that impression to get abroad to the far greater audience which cannot hear the voices of the debaters. If the news story is fair, the headlines are usually misleading, with the result that the larger audience does not get the debate. It gets only a doctored version. Oftentimes some minor point in the argument is magnified to the speaker's great disadvantage. And it sometimes happens that some flash of repartee is so played up in the newspaper version that the weight of the argument is entirely overlooked. The brilliancy of a speaker affects those whom he faces, but he is at the mercy of reporter and editor before his stuff reaches the public eye. Knowing this, we make bold to assume that the wets court these public debates and pay their champions well. By the same token, our own speakers of national repute would do well to think twice before they put their necks in this kind of a noose, no matter how attractive it seems to be invited to discuss prohibition with a man whose name has been on every billboard and on the front page of every daily. The house may not be packed against him—though in some sections it will seem so. But the newspapers are so predisposed, not to say prejudiced, that there is little chance of his accomplishing the wish-for end.

The well-nigh universal opinion which we hear expressed among these prohibition supporters who read the press reports of wet-dry debates is one of deep regret. Better no debate at all than one which, however able, gets to the public in distorted form and leaves us in an apologetic mood.—New York Christian Advocate.

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HOOVER—MAN OF DESTINY

By Annie Durham Methvin
God gives us men when times like these are calling
For leaders strong—for brave and noble deeds;
When some great crisis looms, disaster boding,
And poignant prayers ascend for mortal needs;
When anxious eyes are lifted toward the mighty
In vain for leadership and comfort, then
For the peculiar task prepared and ready
And destined for the hour—God gives us men.
God gives us men. The time is now demanding
A leader, wisdom-crowned, and fitted for this hour
Of vast import to our beloved nation—
A man untempted by the spoils of power;
A man refined in fires of vast experience,
Baptized in service to humanity—
For the best gift within the people's power
God gives us Hoover—Man of Destiny!

—Georgia Bulletin

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Comrades:—The attitude of the United States Senate on prohibition and its enforcement is clearly indicated by the passage of the Jones Bill, S.2901, by a vote of 65 to 18. This measure provides a maximum penalty for violation of the Volstead Act of \$10,000 fine or five years imprisonment or both. North Dakota Senators, Frazier and Nye, voted for the bill. It is now in the House and while the time is short, it is not beyond the range of possibilities that it may pass that body before this Congress adjourns. A similar bill, Stalker H. R. 9588, has been before the House for some time. This is a most important measure and its enactment into law will be a great victory for law enforcement. Since the adoption of national prohibition, the difficulties of enforcement in North Dakota have been increased by the fact that the penalties of the federal law are not as stringent as are the penalties of the state law. The passage of the Jones bill will help to remedy this anomalous situation.

The Halcrow-Burkhart bill, to prohibit the sale of malt products, for the purpose of manufacturing intoxicating liquor, was defeated in the North Dakota House of Representa-



PRESIDENT HOOVER

tives by a vote of 78 to 31. Messrs. Halcrow and Burkhart made a good fight for the measure and we greatly appreciate their efforts. Mrs. Fred M. Wanner represented the state W. C. T. U. and did splendid work. Rev. Thos. W. Gales represented the N. D. Anti-Saloon League. The work done at the legislature is important for its educational value and it is evident that a good deal more work in this line is needed by the North Dakota legislators. The three women members of the House, Mmes. Craig, Lindgren and Amsberry, voted for the bill. We rejoice that in marked contrast with the last legislature, not a single wet bill has been introduced this session.

The Sunday motion picture bill made its usual appearance but received scant support in the House. It was introduced by Mr. Van Berkom and provided that, on petition of five per cent of the electors of any county, an election should be held to determine whether motion pictures should be permitted in that county on Sunday. The bill was indefinitely postponed on recommendation of the

committee on state affairs. Mid-Year Executive and Law Enforcement Institute

We are very fortunate to be able to secure Dr. Alfred F. Hughes, President of Hamline University, as the speaker for our evening meeting. He gave an address at our National Convention at Minneapolis which will long be remembered by all who heard it. He was unavoidably prevented from attending our state convention at Minot and we are most happy to welcome him to this mid-year meeting.

Every member of the executive committee should attend this meeting if possible, and it is hoped that many white ribboners, who are not members of the executive committee, will hear President Hughes on the evening of the 21st of March and attend the Institute on the 22nd. You will find the program in another column.

Membership Campaign

We are depending on every loyal union to help in the membership campaign. Although you may feel sure that "five times five" new members cannot be secured in your community,

this does not absolve you from the obligation of gaining as many as you can. One committee of five, to serve throughout the campaign, with the objective of five new members for each, or five committees of five, each to serve one month, with the objective of one new member for each, together with every member giving five minutes a day to definite prayer for new recruits will bring results. Frances Willard, whose heavenly birthday we have just commemorated, said, "The joy of life is doing good according to a plan." We have a splendid plan—the joy of life, the joy of accomplishments, will be yours if you work it.

We thank the unions that promptly returned the certificates, stating they would enter the membership campaign. Because all unions did not return the certificates before Feb. 15, our state will not be able to claim the participation prize. However, we are anxious that every union shall return the certificate, even though they are late. The first local union meeting in March should be a "Hold Fast" meeting when every member not having paid her dues, shall be given an opportunity of doing so. The names of all Hold Fast unions (those that have collected and sent to the state treasurer, Mrs. E. C. Watkins, Fargo, as many dues as were paid last year) will be published in the April number of the White Ribbon Bulletin. It will be necessary that these dues reach Mrs. Watkins before March 20.

Union Signal Day—March 20

The Union Signal should be in the hands of every officer and department director in the local union if the union is to be a power in the community. The Union Signal helps to win and to retain new members. It helps to awaken old members who may be asleep. It furnishes facts to effectively answer the false propaganda of the wet press. The Union Signal of Feb. 16 has a program and material for a splendid Union Signal day meeting. North Dakota will reach her Union Signal quota if every union will observe this day and send in TWO new subscriptions. Will you do it?

Among the splendid plans for the Y. P. B. this year, one is to secure as many signatures as possible to the Youth's Roll Call. This is an enrollment of young people between 14 and 30 years of age, who declare their intention of giving prohibition a chance by personal support and observance of the Eighteenth Amendment. The Y. P. B. will make a specialty of this work, presenting the Roll Call to young people's societies,

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CHILD WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Message From Our New Director

Dear W. C. T. U. Sisters:—The Child Welfare is a department of work particularly interesting to me. It is a pleasure to continue what Mrs. Kate S. Wilder has so ably carried on. North Dakota is a great field for this kind of work and with the support and co-operation of all, we should be able to keep up to the standard already set, and advance.

With a Child Welfare department in every union, stressing the physical mental and moral needs of children, we have an unlimited horizon in which to work. There is no doubt but that physical needs come first and the other two will follow. The future of our country depends on the children we are training up now and when we stop to realize the necessity of the God-given task of directing these, we should certainly give this work our untiring efforts. Outlines for the work will be sent to district presidents to be distributed to the Child Welfare Directors in their unions.

Very sincerely,

Mrs. R. A. Sprague.

Grand Forks, N. D.

MRS. CLARK WRITES

FROM ILLINOIS

Dear Promoters for The Union Signal:

Remember March is OUR month. Let us do our best and reach our quota, for this is our very own paper—one-sixth of membership subscribers. Our last report shows us nearly 100 below our quota, 579. Our present number is 480. A short and easily prepared playlet has been sent out by the Union Signal folks and you can get copies from our State Headquarters. Let me quote from the Illinois promoter: "If you expect to make your county and local union a power in your community, you must place in the hands of its members that knowledge to be gained through The Union Signal, so let us put forth our best efforts for a successful year."

Yours for service,

Mrs. Geo. F. Clark.

132 So. Waiola Ave., LaGrange, Ill.

In the absence of Mrs. Paul Froemke of Sheldon, who is caring for her aged mother, Mrs. Josephine Adams is acting president and all correspondence should be directed to her.

THE BIBLE IN KALAMAZOO SCHOOLS

Kalamazoo is a hustling manufacturing city of 60,000 in southwestern Michigan. Its population is a cross section of the usual American city. The city is becoming famous for the Bible work being done in its schools. The superintendent of the schools is Prof. E. H. Drake, who believes that the whole child goes to school and that it is the duty of the schools to prepare the whole child for the duties of life and citizenship. The citizens stand solidly behind him, and the work is being done under school board rule. All sectarianism, denominationalism, dogmatism, and controversial matters are carefully avoided. The religious liberty of every child is carefully safeguarded.

At least ten minutes are devoted daily in every room to devotional exercises including the reading of the Bible.

In the senior high school, elective courses are offered in the historical and literary values of the Bible. The classes are taught in school during school hours by regular school teachers under state pay.

All children from the third to the sixth grade inclusive get Bible instruction in school at state expense by specially trained teachers.

Committing to memory short portions of the Bible, dramatization and pageantry form part of the work, with occasional public entertainments featuring Bible stories.

About fifteen hundred children are excused from school to attend religious instruction elsewhere.

Evidently what "cannot be done" is being done in Kalamazoo.

—The Christian Statesman.

Activities of the Fairdale union include a reception for public school teachers; reports of state and national conventions by Mmes. A. G. Strand, Lewis Hanson and J. S. Fattlar; a meeting at the home of Mrs. E. B. Wallan of whom they are proud as a Master Homemaker; observance of January 16 and Willard Memorial day; an address on Legislation by Prof. Strand; sunshine bags and scrap books prepared for the Veterans Hospital.

Mrs. Geo. F. Clark, our Union Signal promoter, who is spending the winter in LaGrange, Ill., writes that she and Mr. Clark had the pleasure of attending the Cook County W. C. T. U. celebration of the ninth anniversary of prohibition, held in Chicago, and met several of the national workers. Mrs. Clark hopes we are all reading The Union Signal and getting new subscribers.

Members of the Fargo W. C. T. U. were honor guests of the Fargo Y. P. B. at a special meeting held in the First Baptist Church, Feb. 1st. The interesting program included a playlet, "Miss Jackson Sees the Light," by Misses Viola Dixon, Grace Brainard and Opal Kersten. Refreshments were served at the close. Miss Dorothy Jacobs is president and Miss Elizabeth Wilder, general secretary. This is the first Y. P. B. in the state to enter the membership contest.

The union at Hatton recently had a supper and mystery bag sale which netted over \$100 and furnished funds for the budget.

WILLARD MEMORIAL MEETINGS

No matter how great the person the public mind is fickle and soon forgets. It is therefore most appropriate that by means of these memorial services once every year, we should keep ever green the memory of the greatest woman of the nineteenth century—Frances Willard. Her heavenly birthday—February 17—was generally observed though all meetings were not reported.

Mrs. Anderson, our state president, spoke at the meeting of the Park River union, giving personal reminiscences of Miss Willard. There was special music and refreshments were served.

Sheldon union had an interesting program at the home of Mrs. Wm. Cuthill.

Edgeley's meeting was held Feb. 17th in the Presbyterian Church, with addresses by Rev. A. L. Lane and Dr. Greene.

Mayville union observed the occasion with a meeting in the Ebenezer Lutheran Church. Mr. Adolph Peterson conducted devotions and Mrs. A. M. West read a paper on the life of Miss Willard. Music was furnished by the brass quartet under the leadership of Prof. I. O. Breudsel and vocal solos by Mrs. O. J. Peterson and Prof. J. H. Bamford. The main address of the evening was by Prof. Duane Squires. Rev. A. M. West offered the closing prayer. A supper served by members of the union netted \$40, from which the budget was paid.

Minot paid tribute to the memory of Miss Willard with a special program at the Y. W. C. A. rooms. Mrs. I. C. Jones, who had met Miss Willard and other distinguished leaders in the temperance reform, read a paper on the life of the great leader. Mrs. Jones was a charter member of the Como W. C. T. U. in Minneapolis 40 years ago, and her mother was a Crusader. Mrs. N. T. Teigen led devotions and the union decided to sponsor a poster contest in the L. T. L. and offer prizes.

Fargo Scandinavian union, meeting at Luther Hall on Lincoln's birthday, displayed pictures of the Great Emancipator and of Miss Willard. The evangelistic director, Mrs. C. W. Finwall, conducted devotions. Mrs. R. E. Skonnord read impressively "The mansion," by Van Dyke. Violin numbers were furnished by Mr. Leon Erickson with Miss Emily Elliott at the piano. Mrs. E. Shering gave vocal solos, accompanying herself on the harp. The state corresponding secretary recalled the great leaders who have been raised up in times of national crises, paying special tribute to Abraham Lincoln and Frances Willard. Members followed with choice sayings of Miss Willard. Mrs. Julia D. Nelson presided.

Fargo union commemorated Miss Willard's heavenly birthday on the birthday of George Washington, and the speaker of the afternoon, Mrs. E. C. Watkins, made special reference to "The father of his country," dwelling at length on the beautiful life of Miss Willard and reviewing the series of events which combined to perfect the life of the great leader. Mrs. Howard Tilden accompanied by Mrs. H. H. Hathaway, sang two numbers. Mrs. J. F. McKay had devotions. Hostesses were Mmes. R. M. Pollock and J. W. Driscoll.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

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S. S. classes, colleges, high schools, clubs and individuals. Where there is no Y. P. B., the union should take up this work.

Scientific Temperance Instruction

Every generation must be taught the reasons for total abstinence. It is imperative that every union should KNOW whether it is being taught according to law in the schools of the community. It is a great gain if you can have essay contest subjects included in the regular school work, even though you must omit prizes. Miss Stoddard calls attention to the fact that there is a growing objection to prize contests in the schools because so many organizations are asking for them and the probability is that all contests may be ruled out: We can prepare for this by trying to have these subjects a part of the regular school program. Miss Stoddard recommends that contests be continued, where acceptable, but cautions us to remember that the chief object of Scientific Temperance Instruction is not the contest but ADEQUATE, SYSTEMATIC TEACHING OF ALL PUPILS.

Yours faithfully,

Elizabeth Preston Anderson.

THE MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

Signed certificates indicating their entrance into the campaign have been received from the following unions in the order named: Fargo, Edinburg, Grand Forks, Lisbon, Grafton, Calvin, Bantry, Sheyenne, Parshall, Northwood, Sharon, Hannah, Epping, Esmond, Fargo Scandinavian, Fargo Y. P. B., Alamo, Van Hook, Carrington, Drayton, Montpelier, Hettinger, Ryder, Linton, Christine, Park River, Devils Lake, Wheelock, Ray, Stanley, Reeder, Prosper, Dickey, Preston, Edgeley, Nekoma—36 in all. Still there is room for more.

Mrs. F. H. Israelson, president of the Christine union, in making a pleasant call, took a pledge card for each one of the old members to try to win a new one.

Mrs. G. E. Norris, chairman of the membership committee for the Fargo union, in making her report placed a pretty vase on the table and in it put a white, everlasting flower for each new member gained. At present the vase has 14 flowers.

We shall be glad to publish special plans of other unions when they are reported.

PROMOTED

"Somewhere back of the colors That come at the close of day, Comrades live in a land of flowers And none of them fade away; Somewhere back of the sunset When the evening shadows fall— We know there are hearts that listen And answer our own heart's call."

We sympathize with Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Zimmerman of Valley City in the Home-going of the Doctor's father who passed away February 17th at the age of 93; with Mrs. Sox of Edgeley whose mother, Mrs. Helen Hall, a charter and most faithful member of the union, was called to the Beyond Feb. 1st, 80 years of age; with Mrs. G. I. McCahren, president of the Devils Lake union in the death of her son George; and with many other comrades who have had sickness and sorrow this winter.

L. T. L. COLUMN

Dear L. T. L. Workers:—

A copy of the L. T. L. Year Book has been sent to each legion of which I have heard. It is just full of good things and helpful plans and I hope you will all make a study of its contents. We note several changes this year. For instance, the name "Vanguard" has been substituted for "Live Wire." This change was made to conform with the membership plan proposed on page 36 wherein the children are enrolled as "Recruits" and "Regulars."

We also notice that the points in the Standard of Efficiency have been changed. The National Prohibition Guards no longer form a part of the national program, and that part is dropped from our department. One new point has been added, referring to the use of our study course. A certificate of completions is one of the books of the prescribed course or a class studying that course is required.

Our legions are asked to fall in line with the W. C. T. U. membership campaign by stressing the necessity of dues-paying among the old members, as well as securing five new members each month. If we comply with this request, we will thereby have our net gain of 150 members more than we had the previous year, and so make North Dakota's star shine on the L. T. L. flag at the convention next fall.

If you have not received your Year Book, let me know and I will send another at once. Try to make yours a Vanguard Legion this year. Can I help you in any way?

Sincerely yours for the children,
Mrs. E. S. Bordwell.

Carrington has an enthusiastic group of L. T. L. members who are in the midst of a membership contest. A medal contest is also in course of preparation.

Though unable to meet regularly in their local union, Edgeley has maintained their L. T. L. meetings and circulated literature.

Fargo has organized an L. T. L. under the supervision of the local director, Mrs. J. H. Potter, who is assisted by Miss Virna B. Johnson and others. They meet in a church on the south side after school and another legion is planned for the north side. Children of the 4th, 5th and 6th grades are included.

Our new legion at Barton, organized last fall by Mrs. Wanner, sent their dues the other day and are hard at work.

The New Rockford Transcript, commenting on a celebration of the ninth anniversary of prohibition at which Mrs. Wanner was an honored guest, says, "Mrs. Wanner is a most gracious woman and her talk was a great inspiration to all the ladies present. One of the surprises of the evening was the lunch table centered with a beautiful birthday cake holding nine lighted candles. Mrs. Wanner was invited to cut the cake. Guest favors were tiny pink tulips which added greatly to the appearance of the table." The New Rockford union is again taking up the essay and medal contest work.

Fairmount will carry on a campaign for law observance in connection with their membership campaign.

THE BIBLE IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Mrs. Abbie W. H. Best, Director
I have not yet received the Plan of Work from Mrs. Mary Harris Armor, National director of the Evangelistic department, under which our department comes, but Mrs. Florence E. Atkins, director of Bible in Schools, suggests that we continue in the work as previously outlined. She has a new leaflet which is very valuable in creating sentiment for a thorough knowledge of our great "Guide Book" in this time when we need stabilizing of morals. The leaflet follows and may be had from National Publishing House, Evanston, Ill., at 20 cents per 100, but State Headquarters can furnish you with all you want.

We are thankful that our legislature leaves us with the law requiring the placing of the Ten Commandments in each public school room, and that North Dakota may have the Bible read in the public schools. Miss Wagar, president of the Grand Forks union, writes us that Principals of the schools there tell her the Bible is being read every morning. Superintendent Stebbins of the city schools heartily approves and requests teachers to give it careful and reverential attention. What is being done in Grand Forks can be, and should be, done in every town in the state.

Bible Knowledge a Preventive of Crime

Florence Ewell Atkins

It has been truthfully said: "What you would have as the warp and woof of the Nation tomorrow, put into the public schools today."

If this nation is to be composed of right-thinking, honest and upright men and women it is IMPERATIVE that the YOUTH of today be given a SAFE GUIDE BOOK. THE FIN-EST Guide Book in all the world is the BIBLE.

The YOUTH today is in the Public Schools, so if tomorrow the American Nation is to be a God-fearing, righteous people The BIBLE should have a place in the public schools of every state, for it teaches—as no other book does—the highest code of ethics. It not only teaches morality, honesty and decency; but also the highest type of patriotism.

No child should be DENIED KNOWLEDGE OF THIS BOOK, yet there are hundreds of thousands of young people in this country who know nothing of God's word. If this lack is not speedily remedied the NATION will meet DISASTER. Nations that FORGET God—PERISH.

In 1924, of the FIFTY-FIVE THOUSAND children in Chicago, who passed through the hands of the police: "fewer than ONE-SIXTH ever HEARD of the Ten Commandments."

The Brooklyn, New York, grand jury, in a recent report, says: "After long and patient investigation we find that thieves, murderers, bootleggers, hi-jackers and others of the motley crew of crime do not come from law-abiding, Bible-reading homes."

While there are 30,500,000 in this country, who neither go to church nor Sunday School, and are therefore DEPRIVED of all moral and religious TRAINING; the ABSENCE OF THE BIBLE, and ITS moral precept from the school room is an INJUSTICE to the rising generation," and spells DISASTER for this great nation.

As the wife of the chaplain of one of our great state penal institutions I have been forced to recognize the CONNECTION between CRIME and a LACK OF KNOWLEDGE of the Word of God.

We do not contend for any DENOMINATIONAL INTERPRETATION of The Bible in any school, but only that The Word shall be READ, for it is written: "The entering in of Thy Word giveth LIGHT," and again: "Thy word is a LAMP unto my feet, and a LIGHT unto my path."

In common justice to the CHILD, to say nothing of the WELFARE of this great American Nation let us have the Bible READ in every Public School. Then, and not until then, will we be laying a FOUNDATION, strong and sure for the future moral welfare of both the individual and the Nation.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jan. 20-Feb. 20

DUES—Minot with exch. \$22.20, Bantry 1.40, Van Hook 1.40, Wheelock 5.60, Parshall 1.40, Jamestown 12.60, Mrs. Golden, Wil. dues 1.00, Fargo 3.50, Reeder 9.10, Portal 3.50, Hatton 4.20, Makoti 1.40, Devils Lake 2.10, Grand Forks 9.80, Linton 7.70, Calvin 23.80, Oakes 70c, Sheldon 7.70, Bismarek 4.20, Cavalier, Willards 7.00, McKenzie 7.00, Hatton 70c, Same, Y. P. B. 4.50, Stanley with exch. 4.80, Gilby 22.40, Barton L. T. L. 3.80, Minto, with 20c bal. 23.10, Hettlinger 3.50, Devils Lake 3.50, Mayville 2.10, Reeder Y. P. B. 8.00.

BUDGET—Makoti comp. \$22.10, Bantry 1.35, Edinburg with exch. 4.68, Stanley comp. with exch. 40.40, Adams 1.00, Devils Lake 15.00, Jamestown 7.35, Bismarek 2.25, McKenzie comp. with exch. 26.10, Hettlinger 1.00, Devils Lake 6.50.

MISCELLANEOUS — Interest on Weitzman Garage Bonds \$60.00, 1st dividend on Cooperstown State Bank 10.19, Mayville programs 75c, Grand Forks Posters 25c.

The following have paid for State Reports—Park River, Parshall, Mayville, Grand Forks, Calvin, Wheelock.

Mrs. E. C. Watkins,
State Treasurer.

THE MAN OF THE HOUR

We appear to have reached, as a people, one of those crises in our history when our need—our urgent, solitary need—is for a Man.

We do not need more money, more power; we do not need more legislation and more constitutional amendments; we are menaced by no foes without, threatened by no factions within. We feel no necessity for radical changes of policy, nor the installation of elaborate new machinery. We do not, like Germany, need friends; nor, like France, need babies.

No! but we do need someone at the head of our affairs who is wise enough to appreciate the advantages and possibilities we have and strong enough to use them. We need a man at Washington who loves America and believes in her; who loves decency and goodness and the law, and believes in them too.

Happy the nation that, in such a moment, can find him. Or rather, happy the nation that does not have to try to find him. Happy the nation before whom he stands, appraised, tested, adequate, the people's proven servant for the people's hour of need!

—Kathleen Norris.

PLANS FOR AMERICANIZATION

Dear Co-Workers: Self improvement is only possible as we serve others. Wherever help is needed, let it be given, even if only to one person. A foreign mother in a rural community isolated from outside activities, should be ministered unto in the name of Christ. If such mothers could be taught to read and write and to know the evil effects of alcohol, they could exert a great influence over their husbands and children.

We must realize the difficulties these people have had in reaching our shores and the obstacles they have overcome. How can they know the effects of alcohol if they have never been taught? Our aim must be to create an interest in things American, in American ideals, history and language, with no disregard to the language of their home land and no reflection on their heritage. Let us give them a new vision and a greater understanding of life in the United States, with its opportunities.

In order that we may make progress in this department, let me suggest the following: 1. A good example is the most powerful force. Arouse native Americans prominent in business and politics to their responsibility along this line. 2. Make friends of leaders of racial groups, such as ministers, bankers, lawyers, editors and labor leaders, supplying them with The Union Signal and other prohibition publicity. 3. Win the children from foreign homes into the L. T. L. and Y. P. B. for instruction and the children will win the parents. 4. Push medal and essay contests. 5. Ask teachers in night schools and Americanization classes to include in their teaching the scientific effects of alcohol. 6. Be neighborly. 7. Co-operate with churches, schools or other organizations that are carrying on a program of Americanization. Remember the slogan—"Illiteracy is a Blot—Let us Wipe it Out by 1930." 8. Visit the naturalization court and assist foreigners in taking out their citizenship papers. 9. Entertain new Americans with a reception or luncheon. 10. Give special programs and ask your foreign neighbors to assist. 11. Organize a sewing club for foreign mothers. 12. Distribute in person the literature sent you by the state director, making a friendly call. 13. With the assistance of the local W. C. T. U., give charitable aid when needed. Boxes of clothing, for children or older people, will often be appreciated.

Permit me to extend to you my appreciation for the work of the past year and to express the hope that our reports for 1929 may be full of interest and outstanding accomplishment.

Our ideals of Christian democracy are the admiration of the world but these can only be preserved by sacrificial service. Are we willing to pay the price and help our fourteen million foreign born to become good Americans. Let us serve our country and our God in the highest possible way and voice with Abraham Lincoln the following thought: "Let every American, every lover of liberty, every well-wisher to his posterity, swear by the blood of the Revolution never to violate in the least particular, the laws of the country, and never to tolerate their violation by others."

—Emma Bauer Golden, Director.

Y. P. B. COLUMN**Message From Sec'y, Mrs. Moyer**

Dear Comrades:— No doubt you have all received the Year Books which were mailed to you soon after I received them from the National W. C. T. U. May I call your attention to pages 12 and 13? I am sure you will be interested in the material there and will want to follow with a more intensive study of the entire book.

The National W. C. T. U. has a new project this year, known as Youth's Roll Call. Copies may be secured from our State Headquarters at Fargo, but copies will soon be sent to each local branch. Surely each one will be interested enough to enter heartily into this project, the result of which is to be reported to the President of the United States in March, 1933. You will find this worthwhile work for March and April so please make your plans now.

Each local union should appoint a committee to help the Y. P. B. in securing signatures of young people between 14 and 30 years of age in each locality. Where there is no Y. P. B., the W. C. T. U. is urged to interest the young people to secure signatures for the Roll Call. The explanation follows:

Youth's Roll Call

Our nation stands upon the threshold of a new epoch of National life. With President Hoover I Want Prohibition to Succeed: I Want to Give Prohibition a Chance.

That the Constitution may be protected and orderly government preserved, I declare my purpose to abstain from the use of all alcoholic liquors as a beverage, to support and defend the Eighteenth Amendment and thus to contribute to the success of prohibition.

MID-YEAR MEETING**First Methodist Church, Fargo
March 21, 22, 1929**

March 21—

10 A. M.—General Officers Meeting.
2 P. M.— Executive Committee Meeting.

8 P. M.—Address by Dr. Alfred F. Hughes, President Hamline University. Public Invited.

Special Music.

March 22—

10 A. M.—Prohibition Enforcement Institute.

"A Model Union" by members of committee.

12:15—Luncheon, open to all.

Discussion—How Create Community Sentiment for Law Observance and Law Enforcement.

2 P. M.—Singing. Prayer.

New Legislation—Mrs. F. M. Wanner. Institutes and Prohibition Enforcement—Mrs. Kate S. Wilder.

The States Attorney and Prohibition—Hon. H. F. Horner.

Publicity and Enforcement—Mrs. B. H. Wylie.

The Sheriff and Prohibition—Mr. John C. Pollock.

Scientific Temperance Instruction and Prohibition Enforcement—Mrs. Lillie B. Smith.

The Courts and Prohibition Enforcement—Hon. John N. Hagan.

Special music will be given between addresses.

Minot has prepared an attractive topical program for the year.

HOME COMES FIRST

To you, good homemaker, I make a bow for you hold an honorable position in this day when you help to maintain a home, and keep it free from pollution for these times are perilous, judged from the laxity seen in home life. Then let our social morality work be first educational. Records show one-sixth as many divorces as marriages. Our young people need sex character training, begun in childhood, ideals of home building and family life presented during adolescence, and every possible aid given in the selection of friends.

Then: First see that social morality books taken from approved W. C. T. U. lists are in your schools and libraries.

Second, whenever possible join with other groups in securing a good speaker on any phase of social morality. Invite P. T. A. groups and others to co-operate.

Third, have one meeting in each local union devoted to the discussion of at least one phase of the work of this department, and distribute literature. Discuss these leaflets at some meeting.

Fourth, Recreation, wholesome amusements for boys and girls are a necessity. Co-operate with the motion picture directors in trying to raise the standard of pictures shown. Encourage the establishment of social centers, using schools when there is no community hall.

Fifth, Co-operate with Boards of Health along all lines of bettering the sanitary conditions of your community and treatment of every contagious disease.

Sixth, because the use of liquor weakens moral control, prostitution and the violation of the prohibition laws go hand in hand. When a place is known to be a public menace because of sale of liquor or existence of prostitution, such can be pronounced as a nuisance and the law can take hold and punish offenders.

Seventh, in order to meet the needs of our youth encourage (a) Boy Scout organizations, Camp fire or girl scout groups. (b) When a locality can maintain a Y. M. or Y. W. C. A. organization co-operate with same. (c) Wherever it is feasible have an efficient policewoman. (d) Church visitors interested in young people.

Distribute our literature whenever and wherever you can.

Yours for MORE "better" homes,
Lulu Wylie Zimmerman.

MRS. CATHERWOOD'S MESSAGE

I have just sent the Medical Temperance Plan of Work, with literature, to every union in the state. Where I did not know of a local Medical Temperance director, I sent to the president. I would like to call attention to the Plan of Work. There are so many phases to this work, that each union can surely work some one of them.

Dr. Hutchins, national director, offers \$10 as a first prize and \$5 as second for the best poster on this subject, the poster to be 10 by 17 inches. Two years ago there were few posters made, last year there were more and we directors hope that the number this year will be larger still. Let us win one of the prizes in North Dakota this year. Write me for further particulars.

NARCOTICS

Dear Co-workers:

This is quite a distance from the home field, but distance lends enchantment, so I am thinking of you. There is much activity here by narcotic officials caused by the close proximity to the source—the Orient. We, who live in the inland towns, have little conception of the traffic and circulation in opium and morphine in the coastal cities. The place under most discussion now is the McNeil Island penal institution, into which drugs have been smuggled by an employee.

A derivative of morphine, codein by name, it seems is not affected by the Harrison Act so has free circulation. How much of the simon pure morphine is labelled as codein to escape inspection is not known. It would be well for narcotic directors to read, "The Findings of the Opium Committee," by Ellen N. LaMotte. This committee met in Geneva, April, 1928.

I was very pleased to hear a protest broadcast by a prominent man on false advertising and fraudulent signatures by the Tobacco Company. One of their newest ads is—"Reach for a Lucky instead of a sweet and keep your figure trim." The speaker said that a firm making that assertion should be duly criticized, not by the manufacturer of sweets alone, but by health authorities as well.

The motion picture is an immense contributor to cigarette advertising. A fresh cigarette is lighted by the actor to cap every shade of emotion. In the interest of the children fans, let us register a protest on the constant and incessant smoking in the moving pictures.

Now for the plan of work for 1929. No part of it is difficult—just a little time and thought is needed, and poor is the individual who has not a little of both. May I emphasize the first article in the plan—an active narcotic director in every union. Send me your name and also keep a record of what is done in your department. How will children know the disastrous effect of drugs unless we tell them? Hurry or it will be too late.

The news just came that President Coolidge and Congress had passed the Porter bill. This will provide for the establishment of two health farms for the cure of drug addiction. Inmates in federal prisons who are addicted to narcotics will be treated there. In addition, all persons suffering from drug addiction may go to these Government farms for treatment and cure. It would have been much better if these authorities had used that much thought and expense for a prevention rather than a cure.

Most sincerely,

Mrs. J. M. Holcomb,
State Director.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 31, 1929.

Mrs. Charles A. Pollock has donated to the Headquarters office several valuable volumes and documents on prohibition that belonged to her husband, the late Judge Pollock. This gracious gift is appreciated by members of the state organization who gratefully remember Judge Pollock and his work.

Our women worked valiantly for the passage of the Malt bill, writing letters and circulating petitions. They were not to blame that the measure failed to pass.

ATTENTION, MEDAL CONTEST WORKERS

Dear W. C. T. U. Sisters:—The plans for medal contest work were sent you just as soon as they came to me. If any union has failed to get this literature, please let me know at once.

Several unions are already at work. One union writes: "We hope to accomplish more this year than ever before to show our gratitude to God for the splendid victory on November 6th." May many more get this spirit and decide that the medal contest work is a splendid way of showing gratitude. In this department, the children and young people get training and the Master said: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto Me."

I have on hand medals, contest books and literature relating to this department. Please order promptly, allowing sufficient time for me to reach you when you need it.

Yours for service,
Mrs. J. N. Wallestad, Director.
Wheelock, N. D.

Mrs. J. M. Holcomb of Jamestown, our director of Narcotics, is visiting friends in Seattle and while there, called at the state headquarters and met the workers. She found them watching a Child Labor bill then pending in their legislature and interested in other moral legislation.

Under the auspices of the Luther League, Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson gave an address in the Lutheran Church at Park River, Feb. 10, to a large congregation. Musical numbers and address by the pastor concluded the program.

WHEN MOTHER PRAYS

Edith M. Irvine-Rivera

When Mother prays, I know there's something doing. She gets down on her knees and talks to God, as does a child when it seeks out its Mother, and nestles close to tell her all the news.

She doesn't whine and beg when she is praying, but starts out with a trumpet blast of praise, and while she makes petitions without number, there's victory in her asking, and one knows that God will hear and answer—for she tells Him His promises have never, never failed, and she is sure that He will not forsake her as long as she obeys and does His will.

Ah, yes, when Mother prays there's something doing, and I am more convinced as time goes by that what this pained old world is mostly needing, is praying Mothers who each day on God rely.

ESTATE NOTE

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For value received I hereby instruct the executor or administrator of my estate to pay to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of North Da-

kota, or order, the sum of ----- within six months of the date of my death.

Signed -----