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OUR TO-MORROWS

What shall our to-morrows hold,
O wearers of ribbon white?
Do you think that the battle is over
now
And we need no longer fight?

As long as the greed for gold
Holds sway in the lives of men;
As long as a child is robbed of youth,
Its birth-right sold for gain,

So long is our union needed,
So long must we light the way,
Our lamps all trimmed and burning,
Till comes the glad new day;

The day when the rights of the
children
Are respected, the world around;
When never a wretched drunkard
In our nation shall be found;

When the laws have been changed
and strengthened,
And the buyer of poison rum
Will be punished, as well as the seller,
In the wiser days to come;

When the people have learned true
wisdom,
Along with the love of God,
And in every church and school
house
That dot Dakota's sod

Shall be found this snow-white em-
blem

On the breast of each woman there,
And the mothers, too, shall wear the
badge,
Who comes to the house of prayer;

And in every land and climate
Where the word of God shall go,
The healing truths we are teaching
Shall follow, to end their woe.

No more shall our bow of ribbon
A target for calumny be,
For the world from the wretched
dominion
Of alcohol shall be free!

We have made a wonderful journey;
Hail, Yesterday and To-day!
All ready now for To-morrow;
God lead us, all the way!

—Elizabeth C. Beasley.

(At the convention banquet)

THE CANDO CONVENTION

A spirit of friendliness and good cheer pervaded the 40th annual convention of the North-Dakota W. C. T. U. which met in Cando Oct. 10-13. Cando people are royal entertainers and made our stay unusually pleasant. At the anniversary banquet in the city auditorium the tables were beautifully decorated in pink and white. The huge birthday cake, with its forty candles, was made by the district president, Mrs. Edna F. Duguid, and later cut by the state vice president, Mrs. Wanner, each one present receiving a piece. The state president, Mrs. Anderson, was the clever and charming toastmistress and the convention was warmly welcomed by representatives of the city, the Lions

THE STATE SECRETARIES



ELIZABETH C. BEASLEY



BARBARA H. WYLIE

Club, the schools, the churches, the local and district unions, and by Mrs. C. E. Madison, a faithful pioneer. Mrs. H. E. Mielke of Ryder ably responded. Mrs. Orville M. Johnson sang a solo, Mmes. W. B. Simcox and G. H. Moyer, a duet, some Cando ladies, a quintet, and Dr. E. H. Crary gave a selection on the clarinet.

Pioneers who had been forty years in the work were introduced and presented with framed souvenirs, expressive of appreciation. Mrs. Abbie W. H. Best, who served as vice president at the organization of the state W. C. T. U., and later in other capacities, brought an interesting message from "Our Yesterdays." Mrs. Bessie M. Darling spoke on "Our Todays" and Mrs. Frank Beasley responded to the toast "Our To-Morrows," with the poem on this page. Mrs. Nellie P. Barber, local president, introduced the convention hostesses.

When the convention opened next morning, an impressive consecration service was conducted by Mrs. Alfred Roe of Devils Lake. Five state officers, two branch secretaries, ten district presidents and eight directors responded to roll call. The president's recommendations and the platform, appearing in this paper, were heartily endorsed. Among the greetings, the following telegram was sent to President Hoover:

"The fortieth convention of the North Dakota Woman's Christian Temperance Union expresses to President Hoover thanks and appreciation for his definite, courageous stand for the enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment, for child welfare and

for world peace, assuring him of our confidence in his policies, of our loyal support and earnest prayers." The following reply was received:

The telegram from yourself and Mrs. Anderson on behalf of the 40th convention of the North Dakota W. C. T. U. has been received. The President is glad to have the expressions of approval of his course in the matter of law enforcement, child welfare and world peace, which it contains. He asks me to thank you for your thoughtfulness in wiring to him. Sincerely yours,
Lawrence Richey,

Secretary to the President.

A tender memorial service was in charge of the state president, Mrs. Simcox sang and the closing prayer was by Mrs. Mary M. Carey.

Friday afternoon, the district presidents gave interesting reports of the time ye in my love"—translating the successes and failures of the year. At the Union Signal hour, in charge of Mrs. Geo. F. Clark, subscribers testified to the great value of the official paper. High lights of the National convention at Indianapolis were graphically shown by the delegates who attended. Banner unions and districts were given awards.

Friday evening, with the state vice president, Mrs. Wanner, presiding, Mrs. E. E. Duden led devotions. A candlelight demonstration by Light Line unions, under the direction of Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, was effective and instructive. These unions were shown sending the light of temperance and prohibition to other nations,

whose representatives appeared in costume. The state president, Mrs. Anderson, was heard with much interest in her splendid annual address which was published in the October Bulletin. Mrs. Lulu W. Zimmerman asked for the offering.

The guest of honor, Mrs. Louise Crummy McKinney, was introduced and spoke briefly. Mrs. McKinney is president of the Alberta W. C. T. U. and first vice president of the Dominion of Canada W. C. T. U. She was a member of the Alberta Legislature and the first woman in the British Empire to be elected to such a position. We were most fortunate in securing her for our anniversary convention.

Saturday morning was devoted to business. All state officers were re-elected. In the afternoon, a symposium—"How We put on the Membership Campaign"—was participated in by twenty local presidents. The state directors held a model meeting which was full of helpful suggestions. Cando young people advertised the Young Crusader by a playlet—"What the Pages Hold," written by Mrs. Beasley. The L. T. L., under the direction of Mrs. Barber, gave several pleasing numbers.

The program for Saturday evening—young people's night—was a grand gold medal contest in charge of the state director, Mrs. J. N. Wallestad, and was unusually fine. Rudolph Ronning of Ryder, with the selection, "Reddy's Country," was awarded the medal. Maxine Tewell of Ray read "Why the Increased Use of Machinery Makes Total Abstinence Necessary," Cora Rykkeli, Ryder, gave "The High Cost of Medical Alcohol," Ruth Granum, Ryder, "I Pledge Allegiance," Rutheda Kennedy, Grand Forks, "The Two Glasses," Ramona Cooper of Parshall read, "One Standard for Both Sexes" and Clara Bellerude, Esmond, "The New Crusade." The medal was presented by Mrs. McKinney and necklaces were given the girls. Mrs. Geo. H. Moyer, Y. P. B. secretary, gave an address, Mrs. F. N. Cowan, a violin solo and Mrs. Simcox and Miss Helen Myers sang.

Sunday morning, at the love feast, white ribboners showed the source of their strength as they testified to their belief in prayer and acknowledged many definite answers. Mrs. Moyer sang.

The morning service was conducted by the pastor of the convention church, Rev. E. E. Duden. Mrs. Mc-

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THE UNION SIGNAL

Everyone has a number of friends to whom they send a Christmas Greeting card each year. Why not try something different and let the Union Signal be the GOOD WILL messenger for 1929? A Christmas card says "BEST WISHES, I AM THINKING OF YOU" just once a year, but the Union Signal would say it every week for the whole year.

Send in the list of names and addresses of your friends who are to be the lucky recipients of your kind favor at once, so a copy of the Union Signal may reach them for Christmas Day. \$1.00 per year and please address Union Signal, Evanston, Ill.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Comrades:—

The Cando convention has given us many reasons for thanksgiving—among them, the fine attendance in spite of adverse weather conditions. We had an unusually large number of district and local union presidents present which means much for the work. The address by Mrs. Louise C. McKinney, I believe, convinced every one in her great audience of the utter futility of the Canadian system of government sale of intoxicating liquors. The keen interest of the delegates and the enthusiasm with which they adopted plans for this year's work, especially those for the circulation of literature and for the membership campaign, were prophetic of great accomplishments. Last, but not least, was the delightful spirit of hospitality shown us by the Cando union, the Cando citizens and the First District W. C. T. U.

Carefully study the Plan for the Literature Campaign in another column. You will notice that orders must be in by December 1st and entire payment—\$10—must be made by December 15th. District presidents are expected to arrange the combinations of local unions, remembering that the full order, 500 leaflets each month, must be sent to one address. Although this work does not begin until January, committees should be appointed, and plans made now for the systematic distribution of the literature. House to house distribution, ready-made audiences, automobiles on Saturday afternoons and market days all should be utilized.

In order that no state may be found unprepared when a campaign is forced upon it, a plan for a reserve fund was adopted by the National convention at Indianapolis and also by the state convention at Cando. This fund is to be secured by every member of every local union observing Wednesday, December 4, as a day of self denial, the money to be sent by the local treasurer to the state treasurer. Mrs. Boole, in her annual address, said: "The fighting ahead will be heavy but we will win. Frances Willard said the time to work for peace is when there is no war; the time to gather money for a campaign is when the campaign is not yet here. We contribute to the Red Cross each year. Many women are still knitting and making bandages. Every Red Cross chapter has its reserve. Every city in your own state has its Red Cross storehouse filled with supplies in preparation for floods, a famine, pestilence or fire. When disaster comes, the Red Cross is ready! When a campaign comes the W. C. T. U. must be ready."

We hope every union will plan now to hold a local Institute during the year. To be counted as an Institute, two sessions must be held and at least three departments of work considered. A morning and afternoon session can be held with a potluck luncheon at noon, or, if preferred, an afternoon and evening session may be held. If consecutive dates can be arranged, we believe district presidents will be glad to attend these institutes.

Yours faithfully,
Elizabeth Preston Anderson.

Unfortunately altogether too much of the modern "kindness" to children is a form of adult self-indulgence.

FROM CONVENTION REPORT OF COR. SECRETARY

During the year, 358,138 pages of literature were used. Field workers—three national and one state—aggregated 14 weeks.

Conventions were held in 15 organized districts. Speakers were Mmes. Anderson, Wanner, Wilder and Moyer and Miss Mary B. Ervin.

New Unions were organized at Portal, Powers Lake, Towner, Benedict, Plaza and Turtle Lake. Youth's Roll Call has thousands of signatures.

Outstanding work has been done in the departments of Medal Contests, Scientific Temperance Instruction and Flower Mission. Mmes. Guy F. Harris, J. N. Wallestad, Lillie B. Smith, Mabel Scea, Hazel W. Byrnes, Bessie M. Darling, Annie F. Catherwood, Fred E. Bye, Geo. A. McGregor, Geo. F. Clark and Miss M. Inez Lee report as efficiency directors.

In our educational work, 417 Normal graduates were presented at commencement with helps in teaching scientific temperance. Nearly 400 teachers were addressed in summer schools by Mrs. Bessie L. Scovell and 12,000 leaflets distributed.

A strip of yellow cambric 40 feet long and 12 inches wide, covered with publicity, was exhibited at state convention. In this connection, the work of Mrs. Nellie M. Cross of Park River, is worthy of special mention.

The Light Line unions are Cando, Fargo, Northwood and the 17th district. The banner unions are Cando, Carrington, Preston, Oberon, Douglas, Makoti, Hatten, Northwood, Fairdale, Fargo, Fargo Scandinavian. The banner districts are the First, Second, Fourth, Fifteenth and Seventeenth.

Forty unions entered the membership campaign, securing 290 members. Fargo and Hatten each secured 25 or more members and were recognized at National convention. We are proud of the \$15 prize from National for the largest percent of unions entering the campaign by Feb. 15, in states of our class.

Much work has been done for Peace during the year, articles written and petitions circulated.

Unusually good reports have been received from the following unions: Cando, Carrington, Sheyenne, Minot, Van Hook, Ray, Reeder, McKenzie, Jamestown, Fargo, Fargo Scandinavian, Prosper, Northwood, Edinburg, Fairdale and Grafton.

Linton made the largest gain percent—68 plus, and Northwood the largest net gain—15. Hatten has the largest Y. P. B.—23 members and Northwood the largest L. T. L.—83 members.

From Cando convention, Mrs. Fred M. Wanner went to Third district, visiting the unions at Barton, Towner, Upham and Bantry, and speaking in the schools. One hundred signatures were secured for Youth's Roll Call. The schools at Leeds were also addressed. New active and honorary members were secured on the trip.

At the October meeting of the Montpelier W. C. T. U. at the home of Mrs. Ytreeide, her sister, Miss Laura Wahl, who has accepted a position in the State Teachers College at Minot, was presented with a gift.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Condensed report of State Treasurer, taken from annual report:

Receipts

Woman's dues	\$2,121 30
Willard dues	26 00
Y. P. B. dues	41 00
L. T. L. dues	38 55
L. T. L. Missionary fund	75
Y. P. B. Extension fund	3 00
Life and Mem. members	130 00
Received on Budget	2,947 09
District Pledges	165 00
Literature and Col. state convention at Minot	150 50
Florence Crittenton Home	5 00
Near East	29 49
Convention fees	70 00
State Reports	32 90
Light Line Unions	23 00
Medal Contest Dept.	82 50
National Prize to N. D.	15 00
Willard Tablet	5 25
Other Receipts, grouped for this report	597 72

Total Receipts \$6,483 31
Mrs. E. C. Watkins,
Treasurer.

HONOR ROLL FOR 1928-29

Those Having Same Membership as Last Year, or a Gain, With Complete Budget

Cando	Crosby
Edmore	Ray
Egeland	Wheelock
Preston	Hettinger
Minnewaukan	Reeder
Oberon	McKenzie
Sheyenne	West Fairview
Bottineau	Buxton
Bantry	Fargo
Rugby	Mayville
Upham	Sharon
Douglas	Northwood
Makoti	Lakota
Parshall	Rainy Butte

Those Paying Budget in Full

Devils Lake	Hope
Rock Lake	Hatten
Carrington	Hunter
Esmond	Prosper
Necia Buck Union	Gilby
Stanley	Grand Forks
Williston	Edinburg
Cooperstown	Fairdale
Getchell Prairie	Nekoma
Jamestown	Park River
Dickey	Christine
Ellendale	Fairmont
Guelph	Hankinson
Fargo Scan.	Windmere

Same or Gain in Membership

Alamo	Forest River
Linton	Minto
Tappen	Adams
Oakes	Fordville

On Sunday evening, September 29, Mrs. R. C. Cooper, the first president of the Cooperstown union and a woman greatly beloved and respected by all who knew her, entered into rest after a long illness. Mrs. Cooper did valiant service in the early formative days of the community life and was a member of the W. C. T. U. until the end. Though suffering much for the past five years, her beautiful spirit and unflinching courage, were an inspiration to all. The sympathy of North Dakota White Ribboners is extended to her husband, Mr. R. C. Cooper, and to her sisters, Miss Grace Hutchins of Cooperstown and Mrs. J. N. Brown of San Diego, Calif.

PLAN FOR LITERATURE CAMPAIGN

The National W. C. T. U. Publishing House, 1730 Chicago Ave., Evanston, Ill., will furnish 500 leaflets per month for eight months at a cost of \$10.00. This will be considered one order and cannot be divided.

Details—

The months to be covered are January, February, March, April, May, September, October, November.

The campaign will begin January 1, 1930. The leaflets will be mailed from national headquarters the 15th of each preceding month.

The leaflets will be new and attractively prepared.

The subjects will be benefits of prohibition and replies to wet propaganda.

The entire 500 leaflets each month will be of one kind, so that the country may be as completely covered as possible by the same facts at the same time. There is power in unity of thought. Two local unions may combine, or a county may get one or more orders and divide among local unions, but each order must be sent to one address.

Payment for the entire order must be made by Dec. 15th.

Orders should be taken at state and county conventions and sent at once, to the Publishing House, where they will be filed as bona fide orders and shipped regularly according to the plan.

In order that the Publishing House may know the number to be printed, orders must be placed for the series by December 1st.

It is suggested that a special effort be made by every local union to raise this fund either by personal solicitation or by some of the many means women use to raise money.

The plan will fail of its purpose if it is not enthusiastically adopted by the local unions. The success is dependent on the adoption of systematic distribution of the literature. Ready made audiences may be utilized as well as house to house distribution.

The plan contemplates 12,000 pages of literature for each union participating. If 1000 unions fall into line, it will mean the distribution of twelve million pages of literature during the coming year.

Publishing Committee
National W. C. T. U.

This plan was adopted by the National Convention at Indianapolis and has the unanimous support of National officers and state presidents. It was also enthusiastically adopted by the state convention at Cando, and twenty-eight orders given there.

PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

These recommendations are in line with plans adopted by the National convention at Indianapolis.

I recommend that the slogan for the year be "Eternal vigilance is the price of prohibition."

In order to carry out the message and spirit of the slogan, I recommend:

1. MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN—A campaign in every union with four essentials to a successful campaign emphasized:—

(a) Time for preparation.

(b) Personal work to be followed

by a week of intensive activity.

(c) Reward or recognition by the local union of the team securing the greatest number of new members during the campaign.

(d) Reception for new members at the close of the campaign.

(Details of plans for campaign will be published in January White Ribbon Bulletin and sent to every local union.)

2. JANUARY 16, 1930—That every local union celebrate January 16, 1930, the tenth anniversary of the adoption of prohibition, with a mass meeting, luncheon or banquet, and in song, story or pageantry. Broadcast from every station the thrilling history of the winning of Constitutional prohibition. Make this celebration a notable event by securing cooperation of public officials, ministers, editors and educators. Call attention of all the people to this tenth anniversary by having the church bells ring at noon for ten minutes.

3. NEW UNIONS—Every district should organize at least one new union in each of its counties. If there is a county seat without a union make this the first point of attack.

4. RESERVE FUND FOR CAMPAIGNS—That we raise a Reserve Fund by every member of every local union observing Wednesday, December 4th, as a day of self denial, the money to be given to local treasurers who will send it to the state treasurer to be kept as a reserve fund to hold prohibition.*

5. PUBLICITY—That every union appoint a publicity director who should take the course of instruction recommended by the National Bureau of Publicity, and should make practical use in the local or county press of, at least, one fact from The Union Signal each week, and also use, when practicable, the publicity supplied by the National W. C. T. U.

6. DEPARTMENTS—That every union should work, at least, three departments, placing increased emphasis upon their relation to law observance and prohibition; larger appropriations should be made by districts and local unions for literature.

7. NEW DEPARTMENT—The adoption of a new department to be known as Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products, the object of which is to promote the use of fruits and non-alcoholic fruit juices.

8. LITERATURE—A plan was adopted at the National convention by which local unions were asked to agree to distribute or circulate 500 leaflets on the economics of prohibition or answer to wet propaganda, every month for ten months of the year, for which they pay \$10 in advance. The number of unions taking advantage of this offer must be sent in soon that the orders for printing can be placed. I recommend the plan be adopted and that unions solicit the money from friends of prohibition who are not active members of the W. C. T. U. That unions not able to raise the whole amount, combine with a nearby union for the purpose, district presidents to assist in this combination; that the distribution be made from house to house, at fairs, public meetings of all kinds and in automobiles on Saturdays and market days.

9. TEMPERANCE DAY IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Cooperate with

PLATFORM

The North Dakota Woman's Christian Temperance Union, assembled in its fortieth annual convention, gratefully acknowledges Divine leadership from the beginning of the organization to the present time. We record our thanksgiving that prohibition was endorsed at the ballot box last November; that its administration was placed in the hands of its undoubted friends; that a Congress was elected drier than any preceding Congress.

These victories emphasize the fact that the people of this country have accepted prohibition as a part of the fundamental law of the land. The W. C. T. U. of North Dakota will continue to stress law observance, to make known the far reaching benefits of prohibition, including its effect upon child welfare, moral conduct and the economic status of the people, to promote its great program of education and to work for increased membership. To accomplish this, we adopt the following platform:

We declare that President Hoover's personal and official attitude toward law observance and law enforcement has been the greatest blow to the liquor traffic since the adoption of the Eighteenth Amendment. His stand, and that of Mrs. Hoover, is a notable example which has been followed by men and women in many walks of life.

We are grateful that the President has appointed a National Commission on Law Observance and a Planning Committee for a White House Commission on Child Health and Protection, for in these two bodies are great possibilities for constructive recommendations.

We note, with extreme satisfaction, that the conclusions of leading economists and publicists that prohibition has been responsible for an expansion of health and happiness and a decline in poverty, have been given wide publicity. These conclusions amply justify the enactment of the law.

We point with pride to the thousands of signatures to Youth's Roll Call in North Dakota and the country at large, as the answer of youth itself to the slanderous assertions of the wets that the young people had taken to drink since prohibition.

We remind the public that the Jones-Stalker Law, increasing the penalties for violation of the Constitutional prohibitions of the Eighteenth Amendment, was enacted by the largest majority ever accorded a prohibition measure; and that this is another answer of the American people to the bootleggers and users of beverage alcohol who are defying the

the schools in celebrating Friday, January 17, by furnishing program published by the National W. C. T. U. and also furnishing speakers.

10. SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION—Place increased emphasis on scientific temperance instruction in schools and colleges. Ask county superintendents to have the essay contest work put on in the schools of the counties.

11. INSTITUTES—That every union hold a local institute.

12.—THE UNION SIGNAL—Every union endeavor to secure and hold its quota of subscriptions to The Union Signal. (One for every six members).

Constitution.

We reaffirm our belief that the movement of women against the liquor traffic was organized and has been continued to protect the American home. We are thankful for new women enrolled in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and for an awakened consciousness among women that their ballots must be used to elect officials who will be true to their Constitutional oath.

We call upon all the people of North Dakota to follow the example of President and Mrs. Hoover in abstaining from the use of intoxicating liquor as a beverage.

We recommend a study of the preservation of non-alcoholic food products to promote their more general use and to help in the campaign to supplant alcoholic liquors with non-alcoholic fruit juices.

We declare that law makers should not be law breakers, and recommend that in the elections of next year we work for the nomination and election of officials who live Dry and vote Dry.

We protest against the distorted view of prohibition deliberately presented by the wet portion of the American press; we protest against misleading and untrue headlines, against the undue exploitation of law violation and violators.

We affirm that prohibition, being out of politics and in the Constitution, press, pulpit and bar should recognize the bootlegger as a criminal and should support the government in orderly efforts to enforce this law as every other law.

We thank President Hoover and our federal and state officials who are faithfully performing their duties. We pledge to them an educational campaign for law observance and increased moral support from all the people. For the accomplishment of this purpose we continue our campaign of organization, education and agitation, ever mindful that eternal vigilance is the price of prohibition.

We express our grateful appreciation to members of the local union and other Cando citizens for their most gracious hospitality; to the pastor and officials of the Methodist Church for the use of their building; and to the committee who decorated it; to the musicians who have given us such beautiful music; to the press for its generous hospitality; to representatives of the city, the Lions Club, the schools, the churches and local and district unions, for their cordial welcomes; to Mrs. Louise Crummy McKinney for her inspiring morning sermon and splendid educational evening address; and to all others who helped in any way to make this fortieth anniversary convention of the North Dakota Woman's Christian Temperance Union a wonderful success.

THE YOUNG CRUSADER

Is there a boy or girl in your home or in some distant city to whom you wish to send an inexpensive but wonderful Christmas Gift? Have you thought of the YOUNG CRUSADER with its interesting and instructive stories? The editor's story from month to month of the boys and girls that lived long ago is well worth the cost of the magazine.

If the Christmas number is to reach your young friends, send names and addresses at once to the Young Crusader, Evanston, Ill. Single copies 35c per year. Clubs of ten \$3.00.

THE CANDO CONVENTION

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Kinney brought an inspiring message from the text—"As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you; con-

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last clause to read—"Go out and demonstrate My love." She referred to the legend which states that when Christ had finished His work on earth and returned to heaven, He was asked by the archangel whom He had left to carry on His work. The reply was—"I have left twelve men." "Only twelve men," said the angel, "What if they should fail?" and the Christ replied—"I have made no other provision!" The thought was advanced that we must not fail Him in demonstrating His love to others and in extending the gospel of total abstinence and prohibition. If we do, there is no other provision.

I wish you all might have heard this wonderful sermon and her powerful address in the city auditorium in the evening, to a large audience. Rev. Geo. B. Denison read the scripture lesson and Rev. E. E. Duden offered prayer. Speaking on the Canadian system of government sale, Mrs. McKinney said—"We have what you don't want. I am ashamed that we are such poor neighbors and all good Canadians are ashamed. We are sorry that we make your enforcement harder." Canada has never had real prohibition for the breweries and distilleries have never ceased to run. Alberta, in 1924, spent over two million dollars for intoxicating liquor, in 1927 it was over four million dollars. Alberta has 352 beer parlors where beer may be bought by the glass without limit, 32 wholesale houses or government stores, two mail order houses, 48 licensed clubs, 28 canteens and four or five breweries. No wonder Alberta has 1300 interdicts—confirmed drunkards who cannot take care of themselves—and 60 of these are women. The government stores are forbidden to sell to these interdicts and they are the prey of bootleggers. Mrs. McKinney says bootleggers flourish in Canada. She warned us not to lose any of the ground we have gained or we shall have to fight our battles all over again. One-eighth of all the revenue in Canada comes from the liquor traffic and revenue always has had a paralyzing effect on the public conscience. "But our people are besieging the government," Mrs. McKinney said, "the Anglo Saxon nations on the American continent are destined to play a large part in world affairs and Canada is coming back to stand side by side with the United States in sending the light of temperance and prohibition to all the world." Mrs. F. C. Harris sang and Mrs. F. C. Watkins asked for the offering. Several members were secured at the close.

Sunday morning, Mrs. Kate S. Wilder spoke at the Zion church in the country and secured new members. The state officers were delightfully entertained at the home of Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Crary. With the district officers and other friends, they were guests for Sunday dinner at the fine farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Duguid.

The rain of the first day cleared away and the closing days were bright with sunshine. It was not the first time, as a speaker at the banquet

LET'S HAVE GOVERNMENT CONTROL

We have been to Canada and investigated the government liquor control method. We are firmly convinced that we here in these benighted states are all wrong in many—shall we say most?—of our laws. Now there is murder for instance. The idea of forbidding murder. What right have we to interfere with a man's personal liberty? And then too we are crippling the self-control of every man, woman and child in our fair domain. What's the use of trying not to murder your friends when you are already forbidden to do so by law? And besides all this, being forbidden to murder makes every mother's son of us just crazy to sneak out and cut the throat of the first passer-by we encounter. (This is not original reasoning on our part. Really we should have used quotation marks.) And then, the sloppy, poorly done murders—unlicensed guns, poison improperly mixed or containing adulteration, gas made of the most outrageous ingredients, unsterilized knives and daggers. It is most distressing.

Now let us apply the Canadian control system. This would mean that murders are expected to be committed at certain times, in certain prescribed ways, and with full knowledge and approval of the government. All guns must be bought from the government after the purchaser has obtained a written permission to do murder. All poison shall be rigidly inspected and analyzed by the government before being sold to intended murderers. The government sales-room must be open at all times not only for business but for inspection to see that it is neatly kept, poisons rightly labeled, ammunition suitable for each gun in its own compartment, goods attractively displayed, floor swept, sales force courteous and efficient. Do you not see the vast improvement all this would make over the present haphazard style in the murder world?

Not that the law should be so rigid that the citizen would feel hampered in his movements. Should some one feel murderistically inclined and have neither time nor inclination to obtain a permit of his own, or perhaps have used up the limit prescribed by law, by paying fifty cents to the taxi driver he may be driven to the government sales-room where he may use the permit held by the taxi driver in the purchase of poison, revolver, dagger, razor, sawed-off shotgun, or whatever implement the purchaser favors at the time or seems best suited to his need.

It is all very simple. The government control for us. A saloon on every corner? Nay, nay. A saloon in every hotel room, every home, every taxi, every park, every steamer cabin, every railway coach. Drinking made popular and respectable. Let's be up-to-date, broad-minded, liberal, tolerant.

Prudence Tasker Olsen.

said, that the dries had won a victory over the wets. The devotion of Mrs. J. C. Sims, treasurer of the Hettinger union, in driving with her husband 400 miles to the convention, is worthy of special mention.

NON-SMOKERS HAVE SOME RIGHTS

North Dakota may have some fool laws on the statute books but the one forbidding smoking in public eating houses is not one of them. Nor is the law as ineffective as some would have us believe. One has only to visit restaurants in other states to see how much more prevalent is the custom where there is no restraint. Travelers in North Dakota are impressed with the comparatively smokeless condition of our eating houses.

Smoking, like some other indulgences, is apt to make one forgetful of the rights of others. Non-smokers have some rights and it is bad enough to have tobacco smoke blown in one's face at every turn on the street, without having to inhale it with one's meals. Every one knows that nicotine-laden air is unhealthful and no one has any right, for the sake of selfish indulgence, to poison the air for others.

The proprietor of every eating house in the state should display a request that there be no smoking in keeping with the state law. Those obliged to eat in restaurants prefer the place where smoking is reduced to the minimum. There is no desire on the part of this class to "get the law" on any one. Common courtesy should regulate this matter and the Golden Rule applied would solve the whole question. "If smoking offend my brother, I will not smoke while the world standeth." All we ask is fair play.

MEDAL CONTESTS

Fifteen unions report work in this department. 32 silver medals and 9 gold medals were given. One grand gold medal was given at state convention. Ryder wins special mention by sponsoring 7 silver and 4 gold medal contests. Miss Margaret Campbell is the local director. Rock Lake combined a medal contest with the reading of winning essays from contests put on in their schools.

The silver medals were given at the following places: Alamo 3, Carrington 1, Epping 4, Edgeley 1, Fargo 1, Minot 4, Parshall 2, Ryder 7, Ray 1, Rock Lake 1, Stanley 2, Steele 1, Wheelock 4.

Gold medals were given as follows: Grand Forks 1, Ryder 3, Second District at Oberon 1, Fourth District at Parshall 3, Fifth District at Crosby 1.

177 young people took part in these contests. Selections used were on prohibition, law enforcement, Americanization and patriotism. Some difficulty was found in choosing selections for small children so some good selections were used from The Young Crusader. A good reciter, especially for little folks, would be highly appreciated.

Your director wrote two letters to unions through The White Ribbon Bulletin; 99 letters and 4 cards to workers in this department; sent out 128 pieces of mail containing literature, reciters or medals; distributed 2718 pages of literature and sold 31 reciters, 8 gold medals, and 23 silver medals to the various unions.

All who tried the contest work report splendid success and increased interest in the work for the future. Mrs. J. N. Wallestad, Director.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP

We are pleased to have reports from a larger number of unions this year and to learn of the efforts which have been made to secure law enforcement. Some of the ways listed are: Meeting with officials, petitions, notifications to the police, distribution of literature, talks by local and outside speakers, notices and short articles in local papers, prayer services, house visitations, correspondence with state authorities, reading the court docket and having it published.

A number of visits to court are reported and several of our women are reported as serving on jury, attending the legislature and holding office.

Credit for sending the best reports should be given to the following: Mrs. Guy F. Harris, Carrington; Mrs. Bert LaGrave, Esmond; Mrs. J. M. Chidister, Devils Lake; and Mrs. O. S. Haddland of the Fargo Scandinavian union.

Hazel Webster Byrnes,
Director.

THE UNION SIGNAL

I have sent subscriptions for 71 Union Signals and 48 Young Crusaders. Had three letters in White Ribbon Bulletin. Literature from National Headquarters has been sent to the unions. I have distributed many Signals and Crusaders. Twenty-four unions report reaching their quota—(one-sixth of membership subscribing). These unions are: Cando, Fargo, Sheyenne, Abercrombie, Carrington, Preston, Esmond, New Rockford, Oberon, Douglas, Makoti, Minot, Ryder, Alamo, Ray, Hatton, Montpelier, Ellendale, Prosper, Northwood, Fairdale, Fordville, Wymdmer, Gilby. Mrs. Geo. F. Clark, Promoter.

Mrs. Beasley, president of the Seventeenth district, accompanied by Mrs. Wylie, visited the unions in Pembina county, now a part of the 17th district, and was warmly welcomed by her new women. At Bowesmont, three new members were gained. There was a large attendance and refreshments were served, some of the men coming in. Mrs. Beasley entertained with readings. The schools were visited and Youth's Roll Call presented. Drayton had an enthusiastic meeting and served refreshments. Two new members were gained there. At Cavalier we were met at the train by our faithful Willard member, Mrs. Wm. Crombie of Backoo, who had driven 7 miles to the meeting. A storm prevented a large attendance but we spoke to the women present and Mrs. Beasley hopes to go again later. On her way home Mrs. Beasley had a pleasant meeting with the union at Minto.

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