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"I BELIEVE"

I believe in friendship, and I believe in trees,
And I believe in hollyhocks a-swaying in the breeze,
And I believe in robins and roses white and red,
And rippling brooks and rivers and blue skies overhead,
And I believe in laughter, and I believe in love,
And I believe the daffodils believe in God above.

I am no unbeliever, I know that men are true,
I know the joy of summer time when skies above are blue,
I know there is no earthly power can shape a budding rose,
Or bring a daisy into bloom; with all that wisdom knows
It could not fashion, if it would, the humblest blade of grass
Or stretch a living carpet where the weary travelers pass.

I believe in friendship, for I have found it good,
And I believe in kindly words, for I have understood;
My faith is founded on the years and all that I have seen,
Something of God, I've looked upon no matter where I've been.
Within a swamp but yesterday a lily smiled at me
And only God could set it there to bloom for me to see.
—Edgar A. Guest.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Comrades:—

As I write this letter, early election returns indicate two glorious victories. Mr. A. C. Townley is overwhelmingly defeated for the nomination for Congressman in the Third District. The only hope of even a beginning in the long process of attempting to repeal the Eighteenth Amendment is through the election of a wet Congress. The Third district voted wet in the 1928 referendum. This year, a dry, Congressman Sinclair, is high man, with more votes than both his wet opponents, Mr. Townley and Mr. Hendrickson, put together. While this does not necessarily indicate that the Third district will vote this fall against the proposition to repeal the prohibition clause of our state Constitution, it does make certain that this district will have a dry representative in the United States Congress. It also indicates that the repeal of prohibition is not of first importance in the thinking of the voters, and we believe it shows a growing change of sentiment.

Great credit is due to Mrs. Lora S. LaMance, to our District presidents and to all our workers in the Third congressional district for the splendid campaign they have made. The defeat of Sunday "motion pictures,



LULU WYLIE ZIMMERMAN
President 12th District, Hostess to State Convention

shows and public exhibitions" is a state-wide victory in which the W. C. T. U. took a leading part. The ministers of the state and the civic committees have done yeoman service. The literature and posters used in the campaign were prepared and sent out by the State W. C. T. U. We are greatly indebted to our corresponding secretary, Mrs. Wylie, who has worked early and late at Headquarters, in addition to her other duties, sending these leaflets and posters out by the thousands.

Every campaign emphasizes the power and influence of the local W. C. T. U. and the necessity for more members and more unions if we are to hold prohibition and keep our moral laws. I believe it is possible for every union in the state to help reach the state goal which is, "A net gain in every union and a new union in every county." First, make sure you have a net gain in membership over last year—the larger the better. Second, help to organize a new union

in your county. You can do this by getting a list of leading women in some nearby community, sending to these women systematically, our leaflets, The Union Signal and The White Ribbon Bulletin. Then write, or better, go and arrange for a meeting at the home of the most popular woman, get her to send out personal invitations. Fill as many automobiles as you can and go over in force. Put on one of your best programs or secure a state or district speaker. The district president will be glad to go with you. If you do not succeed the first time, continue to cultivate the field and later go again. Some places are ripe for an organization and in others, much seed must be sown first. It is of first importance to find the right woman for president. She must be a leader whom the women trust and will follow.

How I wish I could impress on every local union their responsibility in following out this program. The result would mean not only new mem-

bers and new organizations but an increased force for righteousness in this state, and it was never more needed. Wherever our membership is strong, we have good, dry majorities. It is where our membership is small or where we have no unions, that we have, the big, wet majorities. An active union, though it may be very small, that is giving out our literature, putting articles in the press, conducting an L. T. L., having essay contests in the schools, medal contests and public meetings, is building a healthy public sentiment and making the community safe. Such a union will grow.

Mrs. Lora S. LaMance concluded her work in this state June 30. We are very grateful for the fine service she has rendered us and bid her God-speed in her great work. We heartily welcome our trusted and true co-worker, Mrs. Necia E. Buck, who will be with us until the November election. She will work for the most part in the wet counties where conditions are exceedingly difficult. Let us give her our hearty cooperation and our earnest prayers.

The Fifteenth district convention at Mayville was notable for the number of young people who attended the evening meeting and for the unusually fine music. The high school mixed chorus, the college girls trio and the college male quartette not only delighted us with their singing but gave us the inspiration of their presence through the evening program. At the Sixteenth district convention at Lakota, a splendid young men's chorus lifted us by their singing and gave close attention to the evening program. The Seventeenth district convention at Drayton revealed the fact that that district specializes in Scientific Temperance Instruction. Excellent work has been done in that line. The Hannah delegation drove over one hundred miles to attend the convention and returned over almost impassable roads. Nothing can stop our blessed women!

Yours faithfully,

Elizabeth Preston Anderson.

At the request of Mrs. Dorothy Jagd Skonnord, a group of musical artists came down to Fargo from Valley City, under the auspices of the local union there, and gave a most delightful program over WDAY for the benefit of the ex-service men at the Veterans Hospital. Mrs. Skonnord arranges a radio program for these men the first Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p. m.

Good words that mean good will are stepping stones to God.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

May 20-June 20

DUES—Larimore \$2.80, Mayville 1.40, Bucyrus (new union) 7.70, Hazelton 1.40, Grafton 7.00, Fargo Scan. 93.80, Grand Forks 2.10, Van Hook 1.40, Lisbon 5.00, Ellendale L. T. L. 4.20, Hettinger 1.40, McKenzie 7.70, Willards, by Mrs. LaMance, 11.00, Temvik 4.20, Devils Lake 8.40, Hatton Y. P. B. 1.00, Willards 3.00, Turtle Lake 4.20, Minot 2.10, Mrs. Wm. Crombie, Willard 1.00.

BUDGET—Dickey \$15.00, Lisbon 10.00, Sharon 6.79, McKenzie comp. 37.70, Valley City 100.00, Devils Lake 18.40, Minot 35.00, Williston comp. 12.40, Upham comp. 12.60, Crosby 23.40.

MISCELLANEOUS—Self Denial—Edmore \$1.20, Mayville 4.00, Grand Forks 5.00, Sharon 2.00, Forest River 4.50, Larimore 3.70, Hannah 1.50, Drayton 1.60, Wyndmere 7.25. District Pledges—2nd Dist. 5.00, 15th Dist. 35.00. Convention Fees—12th Dist. 10.00, 10th Dist. 5.00, 2nd Dist. 10.00, 13th Dist. 10.00, 14th Dist. 5.00, 5th Dist. with exc. 10.10, 16th Dist. 10.00.

Mrs. E. C. Watkins,
Treas.

We have just heard of a cigaret company which sent to each of thousands of doctors throughout the country a carton of cigarettes with a polite note requesting an opinion of their quality, these opinions to be for advertising purposes. One of the doctors was a prominent New York physician who responded with a lengthy, learned and quite unfavorable opinion, saying he could not recommend the cigarets and enclosing a bill for \$50 professional consultation. The company demurred but the doctor was insistent and the bill was paid!

Nothing is a light matter that makes my heart ache or the hearts of any of my human kin.

The world will be a better and happier place when people are praised more and blamed less.

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 Dakota, or order, the sum of within six months of the date of my death.
Signed

THE STATE CONVENTION

The forty-first annual convention of the North Dakota W. C. T. U. will be held at Valley City, September 18-21. Miss Mary B. Ervin of Ohio and Mrs. Neclia E. Buck of Oregon have been secured as speakers, with another national speaker to be announced later. For local arrangements, Mrs. Hugh Wright is general chairman. She will be assisted by the following chairmen of committees:—Entertainment, Mrs. O. P. Pagel; Finance, Mrs. Katherine McCosh; Press, Mrs. Lulu W. Zimmerman; Music, Mrs. Sam Mikkelsen; Decoration, Mrs. Thos. Bluett; Committee of Affairs, Mrs. A. D. Ottinger.

MORE MEDAL CONTESTS

Dickey W. C. T. U. sponsored a contest in which six high school girls competed. First place was won by Margaret Mack, with Vivian Ridgeway second and Evelyn Schmitz, third.

Keith Chatfield, with the selection, "The Grandeur of Nations," won first place in a gold medal contest sponsored by the Minot W. C. T. U. for 8th grade students in State Teachers College. Mrs. W. D. Allen, local director, presided and Mrs. H. E. Mielke, district president, awarded the medal.

Other students and the subject on which they spoke follow: Mildred Christensen, "Integrity of Law Essential to Law Enforcement;" Howard Allen, "The Prohibition Question;" Dora Merriman, "Increased Uses of Machinery Makes Total Abstinence Necessary;" Lyman Fyken, "Spirit of Significance of American Constitution;" Evelyn Howell, "Clean Politics."

Mrs. Geo. H. Moyer, state Y. P. B. secretary, urges that work be continued on Youth's Roll Call and that it be presented for signatures at Fairs and summer schools. Also that members of the Y. P. B. read the books in Study Course during the summer that they may be ready for examination in the fall. A grade of 75 entitles one to a diploma.

THE CALL OF THE BOY

Charles Keith
We have studied the tariff and taxes,
And problems of ruling and state;
We know about parties and platforms,
And politics little and great.

But midst all the din and confusion
Of struggles for riches and joy,
Have you heard the new note that is sounding?
Have you heard the call of the boy?

Louder and louder we hear it,
A cry from the homes that we view,
A cry from the men in the making,
Commanding attention from you.
It tells of the training of leaders,
And this is the call we enjoy;
It tells of defeat at the outset,
'Tis a pretty grim call for the boy.

And we who are grown must remember,
When tempted to watch them askance,
That boys who go wrong are not vicious,
And all that they ask is a chance.
Just a chance to make good in the battle,
Amid all the strife and the noise.
They are pleading for this. Will you grant it?
Will you answer the call of the boys?
—White Ribbon Banner.

A-FIELD WITH OUR WORKERS

Mrs. Lora S. LaMance of Florida, who came to us April 26th at Hettinger will complete her itinerary at Ellendale, June 30th. She has organized two local unions and was the acceptable speaker at five district conventions. Her Sundays were spent in the larger towns but the smaller towns have also been visited. Her work has been mainly in the western part of the state. She has secured many new members and has won friends for prohibition, especially among our foreign neighbors. She is original, forceful and persevering and her resourcefulness has been evident on many occasions. Hers was a persuasive voice against Sunday movies and she was the principal speaker at rallies at Bismarck, Jamestown and Oakes. We greatly appreciate her splendid service.

Mrs. Neclia E. Buck, our beloved friend of former days, "came out of the west," from her new home in Salem, Oregon, to help us in the campaigns before us, and is making her home for the summer at North Chautauqua. She began her work June 10th, at the Third district convention and was also a welcome guest at the convention of the First district, of which she was for many years the president. She has recently attended a local institute at Carrington and with Mrs. Harris organized a local union at Sykeston. Mrs. E. C. Covell is president, Mrs. Alvin Soderholm, secretary and Mrs. F. Daniel, treasurer. Last Sunday she spoke at Goodrich and McClusky and on the following Sunday will speak at Plaza and Parshall, through the kind cooperation of the Rev. John Roberts. After visiting Makoti, Ryder and Douglas, Mrs. Buck will spend two weeks in the First district after which she will be ready for work farther west.

Mrs. Lottie A. Woodford, who has spent two weeks speaking at our summer schools, will finish her work June 28th. She has spoken at Ellendale, Dickinson, Minot, Mayville and Valley City and everywhere has distributed helpful literature to the teachers. She has also helped us in the campaign against the repeal of the laws that guard our Sabbath.

Mrs. E. Sherping, adjutant in the Salvation Army at Fargo, on June 17th organized a local union at Hillsboro with 13 charter members and more promised. Mrs. O. J. Flagstad is president, Miss Sara Forde, vice president, Mrs. E. Henning, secretary and Mrs. O. A. Kaldor, treasurer. We regret the removal from Fargo to Chicago of Adjutant and Mrs. Sherping and their family.

Mrs. Ellen Pagel, Linton, president of the Ninth district, on June 3rd organized a new union at Dale, near the southern boundary of Emmons county, with six members. Mrs. Alta Acheson is president, Mrs. Charles Peterson, vice president and Mrs. Sarah J. Welker, secretary-treasurer. Their address is Pollock, South Dakota, R. F. D.

Epping W. C. T. U. recently sent a gift of tray cloths for the Veterans' Hospital. It is requested that all such donations be sent direct to the hospital rather than to Mrs. Skonnord.

Resolved, that I will utter no word or convey no thought unworthy of a Christian disciple.

THE WORLD'S W. C. T. U. PRESIDENT—MISS ANNA A. GORDON, SAYS—

"If you want to experience a thrill of genuine happiness, just go through the forty-six up-to-date state papers after an absence from home. Far ahead of any moving picture, equal to any music that ever set the joy bells ringing in my heart, is the inspiration that came to me from the mass of good news I eagerly devoured a few weeks ago on returning to Evanston from several months' stay in western New York. It was a concrete revelation of how magnificently the white ribboners of our republic are responding to the call of the present serious wet and dry situation, as well as to the necessary education and upbuilding of our membership and morale for still stiffer fights to come. No wonder our beloved Frances Willard said 'There never were such women as our white ribboners.' After going through the file which had been carefully kept for my return, I lifted my heart to God with gratitude for the faithfulness, the executive ability, the victorious courage, and the successful campaigns of this past winter, and earnestly besought God's blessing on the work and workers of the W. C. T. U.

The wet forces today are furiously assaulting our prohibition law. Their cleverness, their deceptive publicity, and their alarming activity with unlimited financial aid to back them, make the responsible work of our national leaders most absorbing and difficult. Mrs. Boole has our prayerful and praiseful sympathy in her growingly arduous task, and we thank God for her leadership. Let us save her all the stress and strain we possibly can.

All your blessed activities in state and national campaigns are vastly helping the work of the World's W. C. T. U. and I thank you especially for the increasing number of Light Line unions. During the months I have been absent from Evanston I have had the daily help of an expert stenographer, and have kept in close touch with our auxiliary countries. Through The Union Signal page each week you are given some of the high points of "World-ly" news. I wish it were possible to share more of the glorious tidings with our workers here, who more than those of any other land are grandly helping make this advance a possibility.

As the years all too rapidly pass and one after another we see our beloved veterans entering upon heavenly activities, we thank God for the great host still with us and daily joining our ranks, and for the increasing number of young people who with us believe that 'eternal vigilance is the price of prohibition.' Together we are all helping bring the day of world-wide sobriety, purity and peace."

We heartily thank those who stood with us for the retention of the laws that guard our Sabbath from further desecration and congratulate them on the glorious victory. The ministers, the Gideons, the Parent-Teachers' Association and members of our organization worked so splendidly. We had a weapon the opposition probably did not use—the power of prayer—and we thank God and take courage.

District Conventions Create Much Enthusiasm

FIRST DISTRICT—

At Rock Lake, June 12, 13, the 37th annual convention was held with Mrs. Nelia E. Buck, the former beloved president, as speaker and honored guest. Outstanding features were the helpful addresses by Mrs. Buck and Rev. L. A. Anderson of Egeland, the essay contest work under supervision of Miss Margaret Alexander, county superintendent of schools, the hearty cooperation with district and state plans evident in reports of local unions, and the fine hospitality of the hostess union whose president, Mrs. Amy P. Langley, was made a life member by the convention. Mrs. Margaret Shand of Cray conducted the memorial service. Inspiring music was furnished by Mrs. Earl Spencer, Miss Deal and Mr. Deal of Rock Lake and Miss Anderson of Egeland. Plans were made to continue the campaign against Sunday Movies by having articles in county papers, a radio address over KDLR by Mrs. Buck and the address of Rev. A. L. Anderson repeated at the county S. S. convention. Mrs. Edna F. Duguid was re-elected president, Mrs. Elias Porter, Calvin, vice president at large; Mrs. J. L. Rosholt, Edmore, vice president for Ramsey county; Mrs. A. A. Mundy, Rolla, for Rolette county and Mrs. Aletha Juvrud, Egeland, for Towner county. Mrs. Amy P. Langley, Rock Lake, was elected corresponding secretary to take the place of Mrs. Anna Irwin whose removal to Idaho is regretted. Mrs. Margaret Shand was re-elected treasurer.

SECOND DISTRICT—

Minnewaukan entertained the 36th annual convention May 19, with all officers present and all unions represented but one. Mrs. Fred M. Wanner, state vice president, and Mrs. E. S. Bordwell, state L. T. L. secretary, were special speakers. Splendid reports were given by district and local officers and directors. The memorial service was in charge of Mrs. J. A. Graham of Oberon. A delicious luncheon was served by the hostess union. Clever pep songs, composed by Mrs. J. O. Severson of Sheyenne were given between courses. Mrs. O. H. Elstad welcomed the delegates and Mrs. Jennie Dysart responded. "The Menace of Sunday Movies" was ably discussed by Rev. Mr. Sharkey of New Rockford. Rev. James McMillan of the Presbyterian church conducted devotions and a song service. Mrs. Wanner's addresses were much enjoyed. The young people pleasantly entertained the convention with vocal and instrumental numbers and the L. T. L. presented the beautiful pageant—"God's Light." Mrs. Guy F. Harris was re-elected president; Mrs. Minnie E. Huyck, expecting to remove from the district, declined re-election and Mrs. J. A. Graham of Oberon was elected vice president; Mrs. A. C. Jones, Carington, corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. O. Severson, recording secretary and Mrs. Jennie Dysart, Esmond, treasurer.

THIRD DISTRICT—

Bottineau was hostess to this convention June 10, 11, with Mrs. Nelia E. Buck as speaker. Rev. I. D. McBain led devotions and Mrs. J. W.

Huëy welcomed the delegates for the local union and Rev. Mr. Cannon for the churches. The question of Sunday Movies was discussed by Mrs. M. M. Harris and Attorney A. Benson spoke on "What Will it Mean if We Lose Our Law?" Mrs. Buck gave a very impressive address and after special music, the closing prayer was voiced by Rev. O. Siem. Next morning was devoted to business and local and district reports. At the afternoon session, Rev. Mr. Buckwalter conducted a devotional service. A round table discussion included: Organization; Medal Contests; Fairs and Exhibits; The Constitution Defenders, the Self-denial fund. All officers were re-elected.

FIFTH DISTRICT—

Alamo entertained May 19, 20 with Mrs. Lora S. LaMance of Florida as guest speaker. "We had a wonderful convention, a record attendance and Mrs. LaMance was fine. We are so glad we had the convention. We all feel we were wonderfully blessed and it did not take half the work we thought it would," wrote the local president, Mrs. John Pehrson, who welcomed the convention. The district president, Mrs. H. H. Olson, Ray, presided. Rev. Mr. Nystuen and Rev. Francis Lemire conducted devotions and helped on the program. Rev. and Mrs. D. K. Ford of Crosby also gave valuable assistance and sang a duet. Music was furnished by the Community band, the High School glee club and the Fifth and Sixth grades of the public school. Miss Ada Gresheth entertained with vocal solos and Miss May Shaft with a reading. Christian Citizenship was discussed by Mrs. G. D. Shaft and Mrs. S. M. Hyde of Williston showed what it will mean if we lose our state prohibition law. Mrs. LaMance's strong addresses made a deep impression. Mrs. J. N. Wallestad led the memorial service. Ardhth Landro won first place in a gold medal contest with the selection, "Carry On," by Florence E. Atkins. All officers were re-elected.

NINTH DISTRICT—

At Linton, June 10th, a splendid convention was held with a most interesting program. Mrs. LaMance was again the guest of honor and inspired all present to fresh interest and activity. The district president, Mrs. Ellen Pagel, presided and the local president, Mrs. Annie D. Pitcher, led devotions. Rev. S. J. Brooks, Messrs. Richardson, Briggs and Sheffield, helped greatly on the program. Music was furnished by Misses Viola Graf, Viola Dobler, Helen and Anna Larvick, Mmes. Briggs and Gutensohn, juniors of the Methodist Sunday School and a trio from Napoleon. The young people of Linton, Napoleon and Temvik put on plays and dialogues. Mrs. LaMance spoke for The Union Signal and secured TEN NEW SUBSCRIPTIONS. She also gave helpful talks to the children in addition to her more public addresses. Miss Aldes Heyerman read "The Mothers of 1873;" Mrs. Ed Larvick spoke on Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products; Mrs. Freeman on Flower Mission and Mrs. McDonald on Prohibition and Child Life. Rev. S. J. Brooks spoke on The Menace of Sunday Movies. Res-

olutions urged more publicity to disprove wet propaganda; subscriptions to Union Signal; dry letters in open forum; training of young people in law observance; essay contests in schools; opposition to Sunday movies; and expressed appreciation of national speaker and local entertainment. All officers were re-elected.

ELEVENTH DISTRICT—

Bismarck was hostess June 5, 6, the district president, Mrs. Ella C. Boise, presiding. Mrs. LaMance was again the welcome speaker. Miss Hardy Jackson and Mmes. J. J. Rue and Guy A. Lewis led devotions at the different sessions. Miss Anna Burr welcomed the delegates and Mrs. S. E. Clizbe made response. Piano numbers were given by Misses Marguerite Kennedy, Annette Leible, Ruth Freiss and Ione Noggle. Miss Esther Jackson gave a vocal solo and the L. T. L. several songs. Mrs. Meyer and Miss Madeline Boren entertained with vocal solos. Mrs. Geo. Register had the memorial hour. Mrs. Dalenberg, Steele, spoke on How the Young People May Help in the Prohibition Campaign and Mrs. Adolph Mayer of Crystal Springs on Local Institutes. Mrs. C. D. Rodgers urged cooperation with Constitution Defenders and Mrs. Oscar Erickson showed what it will mean if we lose our law. Mrs. R. E. Kennedy spoke on Raising Dues and Budget. All officers were re-elected with the exception of vice president and Mrs. Edna Heaton Putnam, daughter of a former district president, Mrs. L. E. Heaton, was elected for that office and Mrs. C. C. Converse of Bismarck as corresponding secretary.

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT—

On the evening of May 21st, this convention opened in the West Fairview church with the district president, Mrs. C. W. Hammett, presiding. Mrs. Fred M. Wanner and Mrs. E. S. Bordwell were honored guests. Rev. H. S. Larson, Lisbon, conducted devotions, and Mrs. Wanner spoke on "Poll Parrot Propaganda." Mr. Leon Hanson sang—"A Perfect Day." Next morning, Mrs. C. B. Sackrider of Sheldon had charge of devotions and Mrs. Dorothy Jensen welcomed the delegates. Response was by Mrs. L. B. Chamberlin, Lisbon. Mrs. Wilbur Hanson, Lisbon, gave an able address and Mmes. E. S. Bordwell and E. M. Farnsworth presented the children's work. Mrs. Wanner conducted a service for six white ribbon recruits and the L. T. L. entertained with songs. Mayor Crites of Lisbon spoke words of encouragement. A picnic dinner was served by the local union in the Leon Hanson home. At the afternoon session, The Menace of Sunday Movies was discussed by Mrs. J. A. Youngman of Dickey. Mrs. H. S. Grover, Lisbon, spoke on Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products as summer drinks. Mrs. C. W. Hammett, the retiring president, was given a vote of thanks and the white ribbon salute. Mrs. Paul Hanson, Englevale, was elected president, Mrs. J. A. Youngman, Dickey, vice president, Mrs. Leon Hanson, Englevale, corresponding secretary, Mrs. H. D. Mack, Dickey, recording secretary, Mrs. Kadell, Edgeley, treasurer and

Mrs. E. M. Farnsworth, L. T. L. Secretary.

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT—

Glover entertained June 23, the district president, Mrs. E. E. Clarke, presiding. Mmes. Wanner and Bordwell were the guest speakers. Mrs. C. B. Maddock led devotions, Mrs. Clara R. Grosshans welcomed the delegates and Mrs. Frank Leamer of Ellendale responded. The morning session was taken up with business and the election of officers. Mrs. Clarke declining re-election was succeeded by Mrs. P. J. Aasen of Oakes as district president; Mrs. Clara R. Grosshans, Glover, was elected vice president; Mrs. W. C. Norton, Guelph, recording secretary; Mrs. T. H. Ferber, Oakes, corresponding secretary; Mrs. C. B. Maddock, Guelph, treasurer and Mrs. Mabel St. John, Ellendale, secretary of young people's work. At the afternoon session, Mrs. Ditch of Oakes led devotions and Mrs. B. H. Stevens spoke against Sunday Movies. Mrs. Bordwell presented the work of the L. T. L. and Mrs. B. Slocum discussed Child Welfare. Mrs. Wanner followed with a practical address. Music by the young people's band under the direction of Miss Florence Bestrup, and the songs by the public school children were appreciated. Mrs. R. A. Dildine, Ellendale, opened the evening session with devotions and Rev. S. E. Fairham of Oakes gave a stirring address on Prohibition. Mrs. Wanner was heard again with much interest. The resolutions committee reported, the convention sang—"Onward Christian Soldiers" and Rev. Mr. Fairham closed with a prayer.

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT—

Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson was the guest of honor at this convention which met at Mayville, May 27, 28. Mrs. Julia Egan, Hope, had charge of the opening devotions. Reports of local and district officers were most encouraging. Mrs. Anna Warren, Portland, conducted the memorial service. A very impressive address on "The Influence of Unwholesome Literature on the Moral Standards of Our Youth" was given by Mrs. Erick Selke. Mrs. Geo. Morey followed with a pipe organ solo. Mrs. Anderson spoke on the membership campaign. Mmes. O. J. Peterson, H. Soliah and Raymond Peterson gave a vocal number. Grade pupils under the direction of Miss Clara Strand and Miss Vivian McKay put on a campaign rally. A mixed chorus from the high school sang in the evening. Mayor Henry Leum gave a welcome for the city, Dr. L. V. W. DuPuis for the schools, Prof. C. P. Birkele for the churches, Mrs. A. M. West for the local union and Mrs. C. H. Roholt, Portland, responded. Prof. J. H. Bamford, the college male quartette and the College girls trio sang during the evening. The situation in North Dakota was ably discussed by Mrs. Anderson. Next morning, Mrs. Julia D. Nelson led devotions and a business session followed. In the afternoon Prof. Duane Squires spoke impressively on "The Duty of the States to Support the Constitution," and the Hatton octette sang. Mrs. George Clark presented the claims of The Union

Signal and district president, Mrs. Minnie Hanson, gave the closing address. The hostesses were introduced and the convention adjourned.

SIXTEENTH DISTRICT—

Held a very successful convention at Lakota, May 22, 23, with Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson as honored guest. The district president, Mrs. S. O. Nelson, presided. Mrs. C. A. Peterson, local president, and Rev. W. A. Dunnett, of the Federated Church, extended warm welcomes and Mrs. J. W. Scott of Gilby gave the response. Reports from local unions and department directors showed much work done during the year. Rev. W. A. Dunnett spoke of the menace of Sunday Movies and Mrs. Anderson suggested how we may cooperate with Constitution Defenders. Her main address—The Situation in North Dakota—was given in the evening to a large audience. Supt. Dickerson of the Public Schools gave a fine address showing how the young people may help in the Prohibition campaign. Lakota young people furnished delightful music and readings under the direction of Mrs. Swinland. Helpful discussions followed the various addresses, in which the delegates took part. Mrs. J. D. Van Dusen had charge of the memorial hour. A delightful feature of the convention was the banquet, celebrating the 20th anniversary of the sixteenth district. Mrs. Bessie M. Darling of Grand Forks was at her best as toast mistress. A birthday cake with twenty candles centered the table and toasts were given by Mmes. Anderson, Scott and Hughes. Peppy songs arranged by Mrs. Swinland, were led by Miss Mary Thexton. All officers were re-elected with the exception of treasurer and Mrs. J. W. Scott was elected to that office.

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT—

At Drayton, with Mrs. Frank Beasley presiding and Mrs. Anderson as speaker, this convention was held June 11, 12. Delegates were present from Bowsmont, Drayton, Grafton, Edinburg, Park River and Hannah, those from the latter place driving 102 miles to attend. Mrs. Anderson gave a fine address and much other help. Reports showed the usual activities being pursued with special work against Sunday Movies. Excellent papers were read by Mrs. J. F. McKay of Bowsmont, Mrs. Nellie M. Cross of Park River and Miss Mae Halcrow of Bowsmont. In the district essay contest, prizes were awarded as follows: High School, Junior-Senior group, 1st Aleda Ackland, Hannah; 2nd Jerold Stait, Hannah. Freshman-Sophomore, 1st Maxine Howe, Edinburg; 2nd Irene Stait, Hannah, and Sylvia Ordahl, Edinburg; Seventh and Eighth grades, 1st Ruth Dike, Fairdale; 2nd Elda Overbye, Fairdale; Fifth and Sixth Grades, 1st Helny Ohnstad, Fairdale; 2nd Leone Arneson, Fairdale; Fourth grade, 1st Lillian Lorenz, Osabrock Twp. School; 2nd Lyle Knutson, Osabrock Twp. School; Third grade, 1st Ella Knutson, Osabrock Twp. School; 2nd Raymond Westby, Fairdale.

TWENTIETH DISTRICT—

Mrs. Kate S. Wilder was the guest speaker at Christine, hostess to the 13th annual convention June 13th, Mrs. V. G. McLeod presiding. Mrs.

Lottie T. Hertsgaard conducted devotions, gave an address and vocal solos. Excellent reports were given by local unions and department director. This district, with 84 members, takes 37 Union Signals and Challenges all other districts to exceed this percentage. Ten new subscriptions were secured. Mrs. Wilder conducted a service for five white ribbon recruits. At the afternoon session, helpful devotions were conducted by Mrs. Eleanor W. Ripley of Fairmount. Mrs. Elizabeth Springer discussed Sunday Movies, Mrs. J. S. Johnson, Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products, Miss Helen Thoreson, Children's Work. Mrs. McLeod spoke on Publicity and Mrs. Wilder on the Self-denial Fund. The Rev. J. C. Wisnaas led devotions and gave an address at the evening session. Mrs. Wilder was heard with interest as she reviewed the present prohibition situation. It was decided to distribute literature at the Old Settlers' picnic and to maintain a booth at the county fair. Special mention should be made of the generous hospitality of Christine in serving a bountiful chicken dinner at noon in the church dining room and a delicious luncheon in the evening. Fairmount invited the next convention.

CONCERNING COCA COLA

Dear Comrades:—

There is never a time in the year when the Department of Medical Temperance should go on a vacation. Each season has its own list of ailments and always, 365 days in the year, somebody is going to the drug store for some kind of nostrum to cure some kind of disease. It is said our annual drug bill is over \$500,000,000. Education is the watchword. When there is sickness in your community be ready to serve. Sound a warning about the danger in self-prescribed drugs.

Give this message to the Y. P. B. and L. T. L. Where parents do not listen, young people may. Ask them to write essays on "Why We Shun Alcoholic Medicine;" "Why Soft Drug Drinks are Harmful;" "Why We Avoid Headache Tablets." These three perils are ever present. Adults are psychologized and hypnotized by high powered advertising campaigns, so youth must be told the danger or be likewise deceived. There is no better place to do this than in our Junior organizations. Offer a prize if need be. It will be money well spent.

The Medical Profession should be reminded that an increasing number of prominent physicians do not resort to alcohol in the treatment of disease; for they know that the use of alcohol in medicine is a stepping stone to drunkenness and that alcohol taken from a bottle is just as poisonous as when taken over the bar or by the social glass.

Beware: Commercial organizations are putting on luncheons for Missionary Societies and various Clubs and Lodges. In California one such operates under the name of "Plunkett." Very often the menu includes Coca Cola. Broadcast a warning against the serving of Coca Cola or any soft drink containing caffeine or other habit forming drugs.

The Government analysis of Coca Cola a few years ago revealed the following: Fifty or more per cent

sugar, 34 to 41 per cent water, some caffeine, alcohol, phosphoric acid and a little glycerin, lime juice and other oils and extracts. It is said the latter include the washings of coca leaves from which cocaine is made. Dr. Wm. Shieffelin answers the question as to whether caffeine as separated from tea and coffee is more harmful than when in them naturally: "When you take tea and coffee you take it accompanied by caffe-tannic acid which goes into the infusion. After you have had two or three cups your stomach does not crave any more. If you extract the caffeine and mix it with syrup and flavor, you can drink six or eight glasses of it and there is no warning from your stomach and you become a nervous wreck. That is the danger of the drinks which have caffeine added to them." The Journal of the American Medical Association says: "Children up to fifteen years should not drink tea or coffee and the caffeinated soda fountain drinks should be prohibited." Dr. J. H. Rusby says: "Caffeine is a genuine poison, both acute and chronic. Taken in the form of a beverage it tends to the formation of a drug habit quite as characteristic, though not so effective as ordinary narcotics. Permanent disorders of the heart and brain circulation result from its continued use."

Observations at a certain dog show held recently were interesting. The aristocrats of dogdom were there. Harold Lloyd had his wonderful Great Danes on exhibition. Were they being given Coca Cola or any one of "fifty-seven varieties" of soft drinks to be had at such places? Not at all! They had water to drink and it was kept in thermos bottles. The weather was very hot and they were fed dog biscuit once a day. Contrast this with the regime of the children and grown-ups. The soft drink places were crowded with all ages and conditions of people. "Do not feed the dogs," was posted in the Dog Show tent. Humanity was doing little else. What fine intelligence was exhibited in the management of the dogs! What lack of intelligence with regard to the children. Will Rogers says: "Lots of times parents mean well but they don't know much." Parents need education. Children need protection. Our message is imperative.

Yours to serve,

Annie F. Catherwood,

Director.

THE MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

We have received reports to date of 300 new active members and 42 honorary members. This does not include the new members secured by our field workers, returns on which are not complete. Let us see that dues for all old members are collected and sent in to state treasurer by September 4th, when the books will close, that we may show a net gain this year. Unions have entertained new members at teas, luncheons or May breakfasts.

Flower Mission Day was observed by the two local unions in Fargo with appropriate programs conducted by their respective directors, Mrs. K. S. Erdahl and Mrs. W. J. Thompson. Flowers were distributed to friends who are shut-in or in hospitals.

I know of no economist of note who is not strongly of the opinion from data which he has examined, that our national policy of Prohibition has brought about tremendous economic advance. I do not recall at this time any social worker of prominence who has not noted the great good accomplished by the operation of the Prohibition law in the social lives of the people and who has not also noted that the good accomplished by the Prohibition laws is in direct proportion to the degree of enforcement and observance in the particular community.—Dr. Doran.

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See page sixteen of the May 31st issue of the Union Signal for detailed plan on prize offers for Young Crusader beginning June 1st and ending October 31st.

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