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ALL ON A CHRISTMAS MORNING!

I heard the wind go whistling by
On Christmas Day in the morning,
Down from the mountains he came
with a shout,
Laughed and blew the little stars
out—
The little pale stars of the dawning.

"Where did you come from, Wind?"
said I,
"Wind of the Christmas morning?"
"Up from the valley and down from
the hill,
To bring you a greeting with a will,
This beautiful Christmas morning!"

What did you see on your journey
here,
Wind of the Christmas morning?"
"I saw some brown-cloaked shepherds
go,
Plodding wearily over the snow,
To Bethlehem in the morning.

"As I went sweeping across the
world,"
Sang the wind on Christmas morn-
ing.

"I saw Three Kings set out afar,
I saw the gleam of a wondrous Star,
Shining on Christmas morning.

"And through the cracks of a stable
wall,"
Sighed the wind on Christmas
morning,

"I crept, and I saw in the scented hay
Sleeping, the little Jesus lay,
Born on a Christmas morning!

"And that is why I whistle and sing
Gaily on Christmas morning,
For the Babe who was born this hap-
py day
Shall take the sins of the world away.
I wish you merry, I wish you gay—
All on a Christmas morning!"

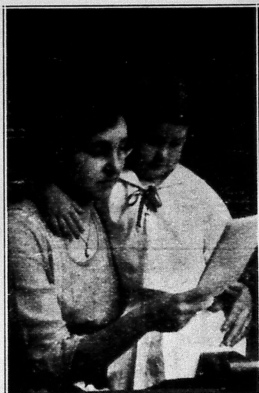
—Author Unknown.

MRS. ANDERSON WRITES FROM TEXAS

Dear Comrades:—

I am writing this letter from our great national W. C. T. U. convention which is now in session at Houston, Texas. I left Fargo Saturday, Nov. 8th, and spent Sunday in Minneapolis, in the charming, hospitable home of Mrs. Bessie Lathe Scovell, vice president of the Minnesota W. C. T. U. There I had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Josephine E. Sizer, president of the Minnesota W. C. T. U., Miss Maude Mathews, who used to be the superintendent of our Lecture Bureau, and her sister, Mrs. Walter Larimore of Larimore, N. D., who were dinner guests.

Monday afternoon, Mrs. Wilder and I joined the Minnesota delegation. We spent Tuesday forenoon in St. Louis, taking a sight-seeing trip of the city. We especially enjoyed seeing the Lindbergh trophies. Mrs. Watkins, who had been visiting in St. Louis, met us here. Tuesday afternoon we joined the Headquarters Special from Chicago. We had the



MRS. PAUL HANSON, Englevalle,
and Daughter Marjorie

whole day Wednesday sight-seeing in the historic, old city of New Orleans. In the evening we had a great dinner, attended by many hundred people. It was like a convention banquet. Cordial welcomes were extended us by representatives of the city, the ministerial association and the W. C. T. U. A thrilling prohibition address was made by a representative of the commercial club of New Orleans. At 10 o'clock, we were again on our train bound for Houston, where we arrived Thursday morning.

We are enjoying the delightful hospitality and courtesy of the South. Gifts of many kinds are literally showered upon us. We are also enjoying the balmy, summer climate. Neither hats or wraps are required to go from the hotel to the convention auditorium. We are happy to have Mrs. H. B. Mitchell of Devils Lake as one of our delegates. The official board and executive committee were in session all of Thursday and Friday forenoon. The delegates who were not members of these committees enjoyed sight-seeing and a musical concert in the evening put on for their benefit.

The convention opened Friday afternoon with an uplifting hour of worship conducted by Mrs. Florence Ewell Atkins. A letter of encouragement and commendation from President Hoover was received with great enthusiasm. It was voted unanimously to send a message to the President, expressing our appreciation of his letter and our pledge of continued support and cooperation in his program of law observance, law enforcement, child welfare, peace and the relief of economic conditions. A message of love and greeting was sent to Anna



MRS. CARRIE AASEN, Oakes

Adams Gordon, president World's W. C. T. U.

We were cordially welcomed by the president of the Texas W. C. T. U., Mrs. Lola Fay Watts and the president of the district W. C. T. U., Mrs. May H. Baines. The response was given by the president of the W. C. T. U. of Tennessee, Mrs. Minnie A. Welch. The corresponding secretary's report given by Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo, showed that 54,591 new members and 543 new unions had been added during the year. Our new possession, the Virgin Island, has been organized. Southern California secured 7,000 active members and 450 honorary members in one week's intensive drive. North Dakota's publicity work received special mention.

Mrs. Margaret C. Munns gave the treasurer's report which shows that the finances of the National W. C. T. U. are in a very healthy condition. The cash receipts for the year are \$249,465; disbursements, \$234,692. Her report showed that North Dakota made a net gain of 109 members.

Friday evening's program opened with a colorful processional led by the General Officers and speakers of the evening, followed by the state presidents, each carrying her state flag. We were welcomed by Governor Dan Moody who gave a ringing address for prohibition. The Governor-Elect, Hon. Ross S. Sterling, who is an older man than Gov. Moody, said he was a better prohibitionist because he had been one longer. The Mayor of Houston, Mr. Walter E. Monteith, who, has put the whole city at the service of the entertainment committee of the convention, gave us a southern welcome. Mr. Al Brennon, commander of the American Legion

of Texas, brought greetings from that body. All these speakers were outspoken in defense of prohibition. Mrs. Boole's annual address was on the topic—"Observance and Enforcement—Not Repeal" and was, I think, the best she has ever given—logical, forceful and inspiring. It can be secured at State or National Headquarters for 10 cents and should be read by every member, given to ministers and put in public libraries. At the close of her address, Mr. Walter Jenkins sang most effectively a solo on this slogan written by Miss Helen L. Byrnes.

Saturday, Mrs. Josephine M. Buhl, former president of Oklahoma, led the morning worship service. Directors of departments reported splendid work accomplished during the year. A tender memorial service was conducted by Mrs. Boole. In the afternoon a notable address was given by Mrs. Elizabeth A. Perkins, Member White House Conference Child Health and Protection, her subject being "For This Child I Prayed." Mrs. Louise J. Taft, President of California North, gave a fine address on "Training Youth for Sobriety." Mrs. Flora Kays Hanson, secretary L. T. L., reported the work of that Branch and put on a fine illustration of a model L. T. L. meeting conducted by the children.

We are delighted that North Dakota reached her quota in Union Signal subscriptions and won a prize of \$8.00 because we made a 10% net gain over the number of subscriptions for month ending April 30, 1930. This certificate, signed by the national officers, will be honored by eight subscriptions to The Union Signal. Mrs. Watkins is a counting teller and took part in the unique Union Signal demonstration. Mrs. Watkins and Mrs. Mitchell are in the Light Line Nations' demonstration.

The national organizers, Mrs. Atkins, Mrs. Mann and Mrs. LaMance, gave inspirational addresses, Mrs. LaMance relating some of her experiences in North Dakota. Among the distinguished guests introduced was Dr. James Doran of Washington, D. C. Saturday evening, a very beautiful pageant, "The Panoply of Youth" was directed by Mrs. Flora Kays Hanson. It strikingly illustrated the part our great departments of work have in safe-guarding youth.

Sunday began with a sunrise prayer meeting conducted by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, president Indiana W. C. T. U. Delegates spoke at the churches and Sunday schools of the city. Mrs. Wilder gave a stirring talk to the adult women's class in the First Methodist S. S. In the afternoon, at

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the Auditorium, the annual sermon was preached by Mrs. Mary Harris Armor. Her topic was "The Challenge," her text—"They shall fight against thee but shall not prevail, for I am with thee to deliver thee." She said—All we are left in the world for, after we are saved, is to battle for righteousness. She declared the Eighteenth Amendment—American prohibition—is a challenge to American citizens, to the church of Jesus Christ, that it is a challenge to our intelligence, to our patriotism and to our faith. She proved her statements with an impassioned flow of eloquence that carried the great audience. She was given a remarkable ovation at the close.

Sunday evening, all the Protestant churches of Houston united with us in the great service at the Auditorium. The choirs of the different churches furnished a delightful program of music. Mrs. Mamie White Colvin, president New York W. C. T. U., spoke on—"A Conquering Army." She told the story of the fight in her state and said the wets were making tremendous efforts to carry out in the nation the same program in 1932, namely, to put wet planks into the platforms of both great political parties. She said there is already a movement among the dries in both parties, for a new alignment, in case the wets are successful in this. She predicted the greatest battle yet in 1932. The "Conquering Army" is the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Mr. Ben Spence of Toronto spoke on Government Control in Canada. He said in Canada you hear a great deal of talk about the success of government control but on every hand you see the dismal failure of it. In this country you hear a great deal of talk about the failure of prohibition but on every hand you see the wonderful success of it. He showed charts giving the increase in money spent for liquor, in drunkenness and in automobile accidents, under government control. He gave a striking picture of the failure of the system and convinced even the skeptical, that we do not want it in the United States.

This is a brief, inadequate report of the convention up to date. I wish I could picture to you the great auditorium where the National Democratic convention was held two years ago, the platform with its flowers and beautiful decorations, the fine exhibits where our North Dakota W. C.

AN OPEN LETTER TO CHAIRMAN FESS

The Republican women, representing 43 states, in attendance at the convention of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union at Houston, Texas, heartily commend you in your efforts to maintain the dry stand taken by the last National Republican Convention and your opposition to a repeal plank in the party platform, as urged by the wet Republicans who poured money and sent workers into campaigns to defeat dry Republican Senators, Congressmen, Governors, as well as dry state legislators. As to future action, we will refuse to support any party or candidate committed to the modification or repeal of the 18th Amendment and enforcement legislation.

(Similar action was taken by the Democratic women at the convention of which we have not the statement at this time.—Ed.)

GOOD NEWS!!

Following the reading of a dispatch from the President's Law Enforcement Commission Mrs. Boole sent the following to the Commission:

"The Associated Press dispatch from Washington, Nov. 15th, that the President's Commission on Law Observance and Law Enforcement has definitely discarded repeal of the eighteenth Amendment as a solution of the prohibition problem; and the further statement of an authoritative denial to the oft repeated rumors that the Commission as a whole will recommend four per cent beer or will urge a national referendum on the prohibition law was received with tremendous enthusiasm by the National WCTU Convention and a demonstration lasted fifteen minutes ending with the spontaneous bursting forth into singing of 'Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow.' The Convention feels that God has guided the Commission in reaching such a conclusion and our prayers will continue to follow you."

Ella A. Boole.

Under the direction of Mrs. R. E. Skonnord of Fargo, a program is broadcast over WDAY at 6:30 p. m., the first Wednesday of each month, for the benefit of the ex-service men at the Veterans' Hospital. The November program consisted of an address by Dr. W. C. Sainsbury, pastor of the First Methodist church; vocal selections by a quartette from Concordia College, comprising Gilman Wang, Gabriel Aarhun, Wilhelm Aaenestad and Arnold Larson; and trombone solos by Edfield Odegaard.

Mrs. Bordwell and Mrs. Wanner visited McKenzie and Menoken, spoke in the schools and organized two promising L. T. L's. The first week in December Mrs. Bordwell will visit Edgeley, Oakes, Ellendale, Glover and Dickey, in the interests of L. T. L. Work.

T. U. map is shown and where Mrs. Wilder has some excellent institute posters, and, above all, the faces of our officers and delegates. They are truly a "conquering army." Read the full report in The Union Signal.

Yours faithfully,

Elizabeth Preston Anderson,
Houston, Texas, Nov. 17, 1930.

THE ELECTION

Despite the use of hundreds of thousands of dollars, the sending of political scouts and workers into doubtful districts, the undercutting of dry candidates by members of their own party, as in Pennsylvania and Nebraska, the systematic spreading of rumors that the prohibition law is about to be betrayed, the wets succeeded in electing less than one-third of the membership of the House of Representatives of the United States, all of whom were up for election or re-election, and less than one-fourth of the membership of the United States Senate.

The dry strength in the new House of Representatives will be in excess of 300 and in the Senate well over 70, a strength greater than when the Prohibition amendment was submitted for ratification.

As expected and long ago announced, the reaction from the Hoover landslide of 1928 caused a reduction in the strength of the dries in the House. This loss will not be in excess of 25 votes.

The wet showing was strong in Massachusetts, Illinois and Ohio, but the result in Illinois was complicated by the resentment of the dries against Mrs. McCormick and in Ohio the election of Mr. George White, a staunch dry, as governor on the same ticket with Mr. Bulkley, new wet senator from that state, indicates clearly that the majority of Ohioans are still dry. The results of the referendum votes in Illinois, Massachusetts and Rhode Island indicate only that those states are wet in sentiment and do not point to any spread of wet influence.

The dries registered notable victories in Delaware, in the election of Mr. Pinchot as governor of Pennsylvania, and in the return to the Senate of Senators Norris of Nebraska, Borah of Idaho, and Walsh of Montana. The election of Mr. Dickinson to the Senate from Iowa is a gain, as is the election of Sen. Gould from Maine, and of Mr. Byrns from South Carolina.

It was a Democratic sweep and wet gains were largely incidental.

Sen. Allen was defeated in Kansas, but no one would claim that Kansas is a wet state. Where both candidates were dry, as in West Virginia, the Democrat won; where both candidates were wet as in New York, the Democrat also won. Prof. Carroll, the independent dry candidate in New York, without organization or a campaign, rolled up nearly 200,000 votes. The Republican party of New York is committing suicide. They bid for the wets whom they cannot get, betray the dries who could help them in power, and have lost both Senators and Governor time after time by that route.

The stating of these facts does not indicate any desire to cover up the deplorable lack of local organization and activity on the part of the dries in many states. It is absolutely essential that the dry organizations and supporters in every state be united in a militant federation having for its purpose the defeat of any party or of any candidate for Congress or the conventions of 1932 who is not loyal to the fundamental right of Democracy—the right to achieve effective decisions at the polls.

—The Cliphsheet.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR THE VETERANS' HOSPITAL

On a recent visit, I discovered they are caring for fifty men, on an average, at the hospital. In our plans for Christmas, we will not overlook these worthy ex-service men. Sunshine bags, with interesting trinkets or toilet articles, tablets and envelopes, good, up-to-date books and current magazines will be welcomed.

The head nurse, Miss Culbertson, said they could use a dozen or so sofa pillows, of ordinary size, preferably filled with feathers, and covered with a pretty, washable cretonne.

Tray clothes, 14 by 21 in., are still in demand and they can use many more. Those already sent have been fine and much appreciated by the hospital people.

Please send all contributions direct to the U. S. Veterans' Hospital, Fargo, No. Dak., and thus avoid the extra expense of getting them out on the bus which goes from town to the hospital at certain hours each day.

With the season's greetings to you all,

Cordially yours,

Mrs. R. E. Skonnord, Director,
1509 7th St. S., Fargo, N. D.

MESSAGE FROM MRS. BUCK

Dear North Dakota Comrades:—

We had a most enjoyable trip home by way of the Canadian Rockies and are comfortably settled in our "wee hoosie" here. It is good to be settled once again but I am thinking often of you all, these days. Thank-giving just ahead, and how much you have to be thankful for! How beautifully "the ways of the wicked were turned upside down!" Not an inch did the enemy gain. May your thank offering be renewed consecration and zeal in Holding Fast and Going Forward.

Then Christmas and the New Year follow so soon and I am wishing I could write each one of you a letter or even send each one a card. As that is impossible, I am taking the opportunity of greeting you and expressing my appreciation of the splendid way in which you all helped to make my summer a memorable one. It was such a joy to meet old friends, enter again homes where I had so often been made welcome and revisit unions I had organized in years gone by. It was no less a joy to make new friends, enter and be made welcome in the homes and organize new unions and to receive such fine cooperation from old and new alike. My book of memories is greatly enriched.

May God bless you, one and all, and for your Christmas joy may you have in great measure "the peace that passeth understanding," and may the new year bring you naught but good.

Your loving comrade,

Necia E. Buck.

1125 Shipping St., Salem, Ore.

(Making railroad connections on her way west, Mrs. Buck spent the evening of Oct. 27th, in Kenmare, where she organized a new union of which Mrs. Emma Anderson is president, Mrs. Inga Torkelson, vice president, Miss Sophia Erickson, secretary and Mrs. Anna Jones, treasurer. There are 10 members.—Ed.)

Will you be a PROHIBITION PATRIOT?

TREASURER'S REPORT

Aug. 20-Sept. 20

DUES—Landa—new union—\$2.80 Sherwood, et al Willards 5.00, Steele 1.40, Hettinger .70, Christine .70, Ellendale with exc. 2.80, Fargo Scan. 35.70, Sharon .70, Egeland 7.00, Portland with exc. 2.90, Cando 5.60, Finley 1.40, Grand Forks 4.90, Northwood with exc. 1.50, Valley City 70.00, Edinburg 8.40, Prosper .70, Reeder 2.10, Forest River 4.90, Hettinger 2.10, Powers Lake 16.80, Ray 10.50, Hazelton 4.20, do L. T. L. .60, New Rockford 1.40, Alamo 10.50, Linton 19.60, do L. T. L. 2.80, Dickey 1.40, Oberon 1.40, Calvin 2.80, Page 1.40, Cary 7.00, Lisbon 10.50, Cooperstown 24.50, Edgeley 14.00, Grand Forks Scan. 35.00, Hope 4.20, Edinburg 7.70, Douglas .70, Jamestown 16.80, Dale—new union—4.20, Bismarck 4.20, Hettinger 7.00, Bowsmelter 9.10, do L. T. L. 1.00, Montpelier 4.90, do Willard 1.00, Wheelock 5.60, Alender—new union—2.10, Shafer—new union—3.50, Watford City—new union—2.10, Fargo 7.00, Williston 13.30, Lisbon .70, Hatton L. T. L. 8.00, Fargo .70, Guelph 4.20, Rainy Butte 1.40, Fairmount 3.50, Reynolds—new union—7.70, Makoti L. T. L. 2.10, Fargo Scan. 14.00, Linton .70, Marmarth—new union—4.20, Wheelock 1.40, Hanks—new union—with exc. 2.15, Fargo Y. P. B. 3.00.

Dues Received for 1930-31

Fessenden, Willards \$4.00, Fargo 22.40, Ryder L. T. L. 1.80, Edgeley L. T. L. 1.50, Zahl—new union—4.90, Mrs. Eliza Boyland, Willard 1.00, Ryder Y. P. B. 3.50, Portland with exc. 2.20, New England 1.40, Lawton, Willards 2.00, Washburn—new union—4.20, Hanks .70, Hettinger .70, Mrs. James Holmes, Willard 1.00, Makoti with exc. 1.50, Watford City 3.50, Bismarck 3.50, Dickinson—new union—2.80, Sykeston—new union—3.50.

BUDGET—Bottineau comp. with exc. 12.40, Northwood comp. with exc. 63.20, Drayton comp. 11.45, Grafton 35.00, Sharon comp. 3.30, Ray 25.00, Rock Lake comp. 11.70, Finley comp. 2.50, Grand Forks comp. 52.00, Edinburg 12.00, Reeder 24.00, Forest River 2.10, Hettinger comp. 46.30, Rugby comp. 16.90, Powers Lake 14.40, Ray comp. 13.10, Lakota comp. 13.10, Lakota comp. 16.00, New Rockford 20.00, Alamo comp. 19.80, Linton 25.18, Dickey comp. 14.90, Page 16.90, Lisbon 5.00, Sheldon 10.00, Oakes 11.70, Temvik comp. 6.50, Cooperstown 30.10, Edgeley 13.00, Grand Forks Scan. 65.00, Edinburg 17.80, Minnewaukan comp. 2.60, Jamestown 27.00, Parshall 31.20, Hettinger 7.00, Fordville comp. 16.90, Bowsmont 11.00, Montpelier 7.00, Wheelock comp. 29.20, Rainy Butte 12.40, Fairmount comp. 15.60.

Budget Received for 1930-31

Fargo comp. \$100, Bismarck 35.00. MISCELLANEOUS—Col. on Field, Mrs. Nacia E. Buck, \$76.35; Medal contests viz Mrs. J. N. Wallestad, 48.50; Christine, Self Denial, 2.25; Finley, Self Denial, .10; Col. on Field, Mrs. Kate Wilder, 10.00; New Rockford, Self Denial, 3.05; Alamo, state reports, .75; Northwood, Light Line with exc., 6.60; McKenzie, Self Denial, .50; Wheelock, reports with exc., .85; Fargo, Light Line, 5.00.

Receipts of Miscellaneous 1930-31

Park River, Self Denial, \$2.60; Edgeley, Anna Gordon Missionary fund, .75; Col. at convention with literature sales, 64.23; First Dist. Plig-

30.00; Second Dist., Life Membership of Mrs. Minnie Huyck, 10.00; Rugby, Self Denial, 3.15; Third Dist., Memorial membership for Miss Mary Carey, 10.00.

NOTICE!!!

Will the unions sending in money to the National Treasurer for literature please notify me how much you have sent, and do so at once? If I have no notice of your sending and the amount sent I am unable to give you any refund on your budget when you have completed it. PLEASE let this be attended to as soon as you send in for literature.

Mrs. E. C. Watkins,
State Treas.

Have you won that new member?

FLOWER MISSION AND RELIEF WORK

My Dear Friends:

In that beautiful message of Mary Harris ARMOR's in the November issue of the Bulletin, which I am sure you are all keeping, the last sentence of the fifth paragraph (won't you re-read it?) expresses what seems to have been your guiding principle for the past year in this department.

To those of you who were not able to attend the State Convention, and have not seen our year-book or annual report, let me whisper that 46 Unions reported in this department this year, the largest number yet. And I am as sure as can be that much was done by other unions who did not think it necessary to tell about it.

Ten months ahead of us for achievement! What occasions, what unknown happenings may present themselves that we may be able to enter into closer touch with others and do our part to Hold High the Torch and so faithfully keep our motto, even the "I am but one."

To get a good start is the first requisite in winning a race. So while the snow blankets the green, growing things, let us prepare for the return of the birds in the spring and help the youngsters build bird houses. These should be weathered anyway, before their occupants come back.

If a manual training course is included in your school, prizes for the best made, the most unique, or the most economical home for birds will be much appreciated by the young people. And don't forget girls can make bird houses, too. Homes for Birds, Farmers' Bulletin No. 1456, U. S. Department of Agriculture will give ideas. Perhaps you will wish to include rose-ladders and vine trellises in your exhibit, ending with a program or supper. If combined with a flower show, and suitable rooms are obtained, a few cages of canaries will add their joyful songs and immensely help the occasion.

As we are each for all and all for each, we will all "Be listening" and watching for chances to help others from day to day, I am positive. A long time ago a little thought written by Margaret Sangster struck home to me. I do not recall her exact words; the substance was that as the snows and sleet of winter are forgotten when the flowers break thru the moist ground, so hard work and even pain and suffering are forgotten in the joy of achievement. There's a bit of psychology for you, when working in the F. M. & R. W. Department.

Very sincerely,

M. Inez Lee.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS 1930-31

I recommend as the slogan for the year: "OBSERVANCE AND ENFORCEMENT—NOT REPEAL." In order to carry out the message and spirit of the slogan, I recommend:

1. EDUCATION: That the work of the year center around a campaign of education for total abstinence and in support of the enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment, this campaign to be carried out through:

A. The systematic distribution of literature. I especially recommend that unions subscribe for 500 leaflets each month and plan their distribution carefully.

B. Books on total abstinence and prohibition in public libraries. A list of recommended books can be secured from National Headquarters.

C. Public meetings, social meetings and medal contests.

D. Institutes centering around department work and public questions.

E. Increased instruction in Sunday schools, week-day religious schools and daily Vacation Bible Schools, on the history of prohibition and the importance of law observance.

F. Enlist the cooperation of teachers in all schools in the adequate teaching of the effects of alcohol as revealed by science, and as provided for by state and national legislation.

G. Greater emphasis on organizing and conducting the Loyal Temperance Legion.

2. DEPARTMENTS: That directors of departments in formulating plans for the year, stress law observance as vital to the success of prohibition.

3. ANNIVERSARIES: That every possible occasion be seized for the public presentation of our work thru exhibits, the celebration of anniversaries, especially January 16th and February 17th, the holding of luncheons and banquets with honor guests—all with the end in view of popularizing the observance and enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment.

4. FILES OF THE UNION SIGNAL: Our official organ is a storehouse of information and the president of each state, county and local union is urged to keep a file of The Union Signals for reference. Such files, consulted frequently, will equip the president for intelligent service. If there is a desire to clip articles, a second copy might well be taken. I further recommend that when each member of a local union pays her dues, she be asked to add a dollar and so become a subscriber to The Union Signal. An intelligent membership is a working membership.

5. PUBLICITY: Carry on a constructive campaign for law observance by supplying editors with the facts about the benefits of prohibition; answer misleading and untruthful propaganda appearing in the newspapers by letters to the editor; accurate information can be secured through the publicity department.

6. MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN: Let the goal of every state be: Every local union participating in the membership campaign and winning new members. There should be from one to ten Prohibition Patriots in every union, members to qualify by securing five new members.

7. NEW UNIONS: There is still much unoccupied territory. There should be a local W. C. T. U. in every town, in every county seat, and rural

unions are heartily recommended. Might not each state fix a goal of the number of new unions planned for during the year? Certainly it is not asking too much that there should be one new union in every county in the United States.

8. WORLD'S CONVENTION: That the outlook of the members may be broadened, I urge that information in regard to the World's Convention be given and placed on each program in the early part of the year; that later, the work be centered around state conventions and campaign conferences.

9. LIGHT LINE UNIONS: These furnish an opportunity for the local union to contribute to the building up of the W. C. T. U. in many nations. The sending of The Union Signal to missionaries in foreign fields, and the contribution of five dollars to the work of the World's W. C. T. U., is a very definite contribution, in two ways, to hold prohibition. May the goal be—Every union a Light Line Union.

10. RESERVE FUND: I hope that each State W. C. T. U. has already established a Reserve Fund to be raised by local unions and through special contributions. I recommend that the first Wednesday in December be observed as a day of self-denial by our members, the money thus saved to be sent, by the local treasurers, thru the regular channels, to the state treasurer as a Reserve Fund, to hold prohibition in your own state.

11. DAY OF PRAYER: Because we are a Christian organization and believe God hears and answers prayer, I urge that Thursday of the week of prayer, January 8th, be observed as a Day of Prayer for Prohibition, its enforcement, and for the temperance forces of America, that we may have wisdom and strength in securing for our country full benefit of a great and good law, and be able to meet effectively, the attacks being made upon it. In the midst of the battle for clear brains, clean living and a righteous nation, we can depend upon God; let us then, unitedly call upon Him.

Have you won that new member?

Since the Annual Report was printed, names of officers of the new union at Watford City have been received. Mrs. Dora B. Erickson is president, Mrs. Ruth B. Smith, vice president, Mrs. N. J. Glascock, secretary and Mrs. S. O. Dundas, treasurer. The officers of the Grand Forks Scandinavian union are: President, Mrs. H. L. Norley; secretary, Mrs. Stousland; treasurer, Mrs. Andrew Stjern.

The new Annual Report, published this year by the Casselton Reporter, was out on time and copies have been sent to all members of the executive committee and three copies to each local union. Additional copies may be had from State Headquarters. The price is 25 cents per copy. Topical programs and Handbooks have been ordered and will be on hand by the middle of December.

Little Marjorie Hanson, who is shown with her mother, Mrs. Paul Hanson, on first page, is now 12 years old, a silver medalist and a member of the L. T. L.

Win five members and be a Prohibition Patriot!

THAT SELF-DENIAL FUND

For more than 40 years, prohibition has been North Dakota's most precious possession. It has meant much that our young people have not been subjected to the contaminating influences of the open saloon. With Canada on the north, with its license system, and Montana on the west with no state prohibition law, enforcement in our state has become a little more difficult. Yet North Dakota is looked upon as one of the most outstanding prohibition states in the nation. In fact, it is the only one that came into the union with prohibition in its constitution and kept it there until National prohibition was ushered in.

This fact has made our state an attractive target for the wets whose policy is to repeal state codes one by one. Encouraged by the fact that in the campaign two years ago we held prohibition by a little less than 7000 votes, the wets tried again to repeal our state law and to secure a memorial to Congress asking the repeal of the 18th Amendment. You know the story. The petitions were found illegal by the Secretary of State, whose opinion was later unanimously confirmed by the Supreme Court. But let no one think the wets are through in North Dakota. They are still plotting to overthrow our splendid law and we must be ready for the attack.

Campaigns call for money and a self-denial fund for this purpose is recommended by our national and state presidents. Mrs. Boole designates December 3rd and Mrs. Anderson Dec. 5th, which leads us to conclude that any day in the first week of December may be observed. Last year we used envelopes for this fund on which Mrs. Beasley wrote:

"Do you want a safe investment that will never cause you worry?

Put some bits of silver in here and you never will be sorry,

Just deny yourself a movie or some bargain that you saw,

And invest in the Reserve Fund and for the holding of our law."

Some of us would need to put in more than we spend on movies but do we really know the meaning and the joy of self-denial for a great cause? Looking through some old papers recently, I came across a letter written by Miss Willard from Riegate, England, Nov. 15th, 1893, in which she says:—

"My Beloved Comrade:—You would give me ten cents gladly if I told you I was in need and that amount would keep my credit good and help me to success in work to which my hand was set and my heart true. By the same token, I do not believe you will deny my plea when I now ask that you (and each one of our white ribbon women) send ten cents to help make the wheels go round in the white ribbon ship of which your love and faith have continued me as captain for 1894. THE SEA OF REFORM IS TEMPESTUOUS IN THESE DAYS; we have just weathered a strong gale in national finance; the SILVER wheels are worn to well nigh half their size; the gold are hard to get.

"Therefore I ask you for that ten cents by means of which alone we shall be able to pull through the coming year and present ourselves at Cleveland next autumn to celebrate our twenty-first birthday without the

humiliation of being in debt the year we come of age. The salaries, appropriations for superintendents, running expenses of headquarters and fund for pioneer work in organizing require this small gift at once, for there is no money to set us going for the new year. But, if this letter from your elder (ly) sister only serves to deepen the arrest of thought, the needed money will come and all will be well with us.

"Can I etch it with this pen on some specially sensitive convolution of your brain (for the heart is all right, I feel sure)? Send ten cents to Mrs. Helen M. Barker, Treasurer National W. C. T. U., The Woman's Temple, Chicago. DO IT AND BE DONE WITH IT. That last was my blessed mother's motto in the paying of debts. But is not this a debt, beloved comrade, to the sacred Crusade memories; a debt to those who languish in the prison house of homes haunted by the drink delusion; a debt to the chubby-faced children soon to go out into the tempting streets; a debt to poor, bewildered humanity; a debt to Christ and the loving-hearted gospel whose sweet bells sound throughout the world, their plaintive but inspiring words: 'Not willing that any should perish.'"

"Please put this letter in your Bible (for you will not forget it then) at the Crusade psalm (146th) and send your gift as a Thank-offering before our 20th anniversary, December 23rd. And may God bless you and yours in the happy Christmas time is the prayer of Frances E. Willard."

Let us also, DO IT AND BE DONE WITH IT.—B. H. W.

NORTH DAKOTA'S CIGARET LAW

Chap. 92, Sec. 10183 a1—On the Sale of Cigarets and Cigaret Papers. No person, firm or corporation shall sell cigarettes or cigaret papers without a permit, issued by the attorney general, on or before July 1st of each year, said permit to be posted in a conspicuous place in the owner's place of business. The applicant must give bond of not less than \$500. The license fee is \$10 and is turned into the general fund of the state.

Sec. 10183 a5—Provides for a tax on all cigarettes sold, according to weight, the state auditor to prepare such stamps as are necessary and to sell them only to those holding permits. (The state auditor delivers the stamps to the state treasurer to sell).

The attorney general may call to his assistance in the enforcement of this law, any states attorney or any peace officer. Any person, firm or corporation guilty of violating this act, shall be deemed to be a nuisance and the person, firm or corporation shall be enjoined and the building or place abated as a nuisance. Action for this is the same as that now provided by the state in the case of intoxicating liquors.

Sec. 10184 prohibits the sale to minors under 21 years of age and

Sec. 10184 a1 makes the keeping of cigarettes or cigaret papers prima facie evidence of the keeping of the same for sale.

Sec. 10184 a2 says that the attorney general may revoke the permit of any person violating above law and no such permit may be issued again for a period of two years thereafter.

The first offense is punishable by a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than \$100. The second offense—Not

less than \$100 nor more than \$300 or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than ten days nor more than 90 days, or both fine and imprisonment.

Children are dwarfed and stunted in their growth by smoking. They become stupid, dull and less alert. It makes them selfish and thoughtless of the rights of others, careless and undependable. Every child should know this and the above law is to protect the children.

A little booklet—"A Peep Inside Your Wonderful House" is just the thing for boys and girls to read. It is five cents a copy or cheaper in lots. I will order for you and also such literature as you can use the coming year.

Mrs. J. M. Holcomb, Director. Jamestown, N. D.

Will Jan. 16th find you with no new members?

"THE WISEST FRIEND OF CHILDREN"

Thus was President Hoover introduced when he addressed the members of the White House Conference on Child Health and Protection and thanked them for their devotion and untiring efforts in the work. He declared that no statesman should think this question beneath his notice for all should be anxious to lighten the burdens of children. If we had one generation of children, properly trained, mentally, spiritually and physically, we would be able to take care of all our problems.

By far the greater number of our children are normal—it is estimated that we have 35 millions of them. But we have many defectives and we have been paying special attention to them. While we must not neglect this class, we must pay more attention to the million and a half of the very bright children as they will be the leaders of the future. Attention has been made to the punishment of delinquents—more attention should be given to the cause. Training for parenthood should be emphasized. Ill nourished children are not so much the product of poverty as of ignorance.

Crowding into cities is deplored as delinquency increases with congestion. Rural children must have the same cultural advantages as city children. In their hurry and rush, many are apt to forget the beautiful art of living, the President said. We must be prepared to meet the new conditions, to get a vision of the possibilities and put them into practice.

It is the ruling passion of all parents to give their children better opportunities than they had themselves. Every child should have its chance. These meager notes on the splendid address of our great President remind us of our five-pointed star in the W. C. T. U. child welfare program:—

To every child belongs the right:—
1. To be well born. 2. To be educated. 3. To be protected from child labor. 4. To be morally safe-guarded. 5. To be spiritually trained.

Through our care of our children, we are laying the foundation for the greater America of tomorrow.

Ryder union gave a party for Mrs. K. E. Campbell on her 83rd birthday, Nov. 20th. Congratulations to this devoted white-ribboner whose life and work have inspired us all.

MEDAL CONTESTS

MAKE SENTIMENT

Another year of service is before us. Let us not forget that we shall reap as we sow and nothing worth while comes without effort. Many who attended state convention went home determined to work this department and others, not already tried, and I am looking for signs of activity soon.

Let us study carefully the national director's Plan of Work. Any union may challenge a neighboring union, any district challenge another district, in number of contests given. The penalty or reward may be arranged between the parties concerned—possibly a picnic or other gathering at the close of the working year, with the defeated group furnishing entertainment or refreshments.

The S. T. I. department includes the essay contest and I am not disloyal to my own department when I say, by all means have essay contests in schools. Some have confused S. T. I. department, with its written essays and prizes, with the medal contest department, with its declamations and medals. The essays are written in schools and judges appointed to decide the winners, while the medal contest is a public program of declamations, with judges awarding a medal to the winner.

The two departments go very well together. Many young people who cannot read well publicly can write splendid essays. Have the winning essay or two or three of the best, read at a medal contest while the judges retire to make their decision, and thus give publicity to this department also.

When the new literature comes, I shall send it out to every union. Meanwhile let us carry on with the material on hand. Send to me for Reciters and medals and write me if you need help of any kind for I am yours to serve in the medal contest department.

Mrs. J. N. Wallestad. Wheelock, N. D.

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