



"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH."

Christmas Carol By Phillips Brooks

The earth has grown old with its burden of care But at Christmas it always is young...

From Our Nat'l President

"COURAGE IS OUR WORD." —Anna A. Gordon.

The war is still on. We have lost a battle. That does not mean we have lost the war.

A CALL TO PRAYER

We are not dismayed by the results of the election nor by the confidence of the wets that the present short session of the Congress will legalize beer.

The New Slogan

For two years the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union has centered its work on OBSERVANCE AND ENFORCEMENT, NOT REPEAL...

Now we enter upon a new era. We believe that prohibition is the best method of dealing with the liquor traffic, but its opponents suggest as a solution of the problems growing out of the violation of the 18th Amendment...

The W. C. T. U. deprecates violations of the law, but charges responsibility to the violators and not to the law. We have no reason to believe these would obey the restrictions which would of necessity have to be incorporated in any one of these proposals any more than the restrictions of the prohibition law.

It is our deliberate judgment that the adoption of any one of these measures would increase the problems of enforcement, result in a flood of liquor distributed through widespread advertisement and open the way for the ultimate return of the liquor traffic in all its hideousness.

We are convinced it would mean vastly increased consumption of liquor and would mark RETREAT in the presence of a now illegal traffic. For these reasons the W. C. T. U. will oppose all these proposals every step of the way.

Instead of RETREAT, we propose ADVANCE through:

An educational campaign to promote voluntary total abstinence from alcoholic liquors as a beverage. The enlistment of the younger generation in the warfare against alcohol in the interest of health, efficiency, public safety and good citizenship.

The nations of the world are watching us—will the United States go

back? The W. C. T. U. answers "No!" and every member says "The line shall not break where I stand." Sound the slogan for this year—"ADVANCE, NOT RETREAT!" Ella A. Boole, President.

From Our State President

Beloved Comrades: "There is no defeat. No call for retreat. Can be blown from the bugle of right." We have lost a battle but this is a "world-wide war," and the ultimate victory is with our side, because it is right.

Strong in this faith, we gird ourselves for the conflict. The next point of attack in this state will undoubtedly be our state prohibition enforcement laws. The prohibition article of the state constitution was eliminated Nov. 8. The prohibition enforcement laws are still on the statute books.

If these laws are not repealed by the legislature, it will still be the duty of all enforcement officers of the state, such as states attorneys, sheriffs, constables, etc., to enforce prohibition. The state legislature has no power to establish any other method of control for that is forbidden by the Constitution of the United States.

If the legislature repeals the prohibition enforcement laws, the state enforcement officers, states attorneys, sheriffs, constables, etc. will be retired from active prohibition enforcement and we shall have a condition of lawlessness, rum running, bootlegging, drunkenness and drunken driving such as we have never seen in this state.

The fight in the Congress will be to legalize beer and to repeal the eighteenth amendment or pass a substitute amendment. The 18th amendment cannot be repealed in a day, the immediate danger is modification of the Volstead Act to permit the sale

of beer. Our National President, Mrs. Boole, has a communication in another column in which she asks us to hold rallies on December 4, afternoon or evening, and to send from these meetings protests to our United States senators and congressmen against nullifying the Constitution by legalizing beer, an-intoxicating beverage.

In this state, let us also send protests to our state senators and representatives against repealing our state prohibition laws. I have already arranged with the ministers of Sheldon for a union rally of churches on the evening of December 4. The ministers of the state will gladly unite with us in this and arrangements should be made immediately.

Call to Prayer

I heartily join with Mrs. Boole in the call to prayer December 5, as well as in the call for rallies, Sunday, Dec. 4. Prayer is the greatest power in this world for it moves Omnipotence. We have the promise that where two or three are agreed as touching anything they shall ask, it SHALL BE DONE.

Our Reserves

Are you training our reserves, the boys and girls and the young people? Remember they are necessary in winning this world-wide war. I thing this has been the weak point in our defense. No union is fulfilling its mission that is not training the boys and girls in the L. T. L. and helping the young people to solve this problem.

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FOR THE VETERANS HOSPITAL

Mrs. R. E. Skonnord, state director of work for Soldiers and Sailors, calls attention to the fact that there are at present 59 men in the U. S. Veterans Hospital at Fargo. They are glad to receive at Christmas time ties, home-made candy, cards for mailing to their friends, and would appreciate two checker boards.

Kindness is a language that the deaf can hear and the dumb understand.

Messages of Cheer

From the Vice President

Read II Cor. 4, 1-16. (Moffatt's translation).
"I never lose heart." Those were the words of Paul, though smarting from stripes upon his back, with perils on sea and land, foes on every hand, enemies waxing overbold—he stood firm and said—"I never lose heart." So now, buffeted tho' we have been, and with seeming defeat, let us gain new strength and agitate, educate and organize for the sake of our children and young people, obeying God's command and claiming His promises. With COURAGE our slogan, let us march on. With love to each white ribboner,—Mrs. Fred M. Wanner.

From the State Treasurer

"And let us not be weary in well-doing for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." "For the battle is the Lord's." God's purposes have always been accomplished through circumstances that man could not understand.—Mrs. E. C. Watkins.

From the Corresponding Secretary

"This is my Father's world, Oh, let me ne'er forget That tho' the wrong seems e'er so strong, GOD IS THE RULER YET."

"In all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who hath loved us." Anyone can overcome in victory. It is the child of God who overcomes in the furnace of defeat. Losses often become the richest gains. Courage is born of faith. We know WHOM we have believed. In His strength we go forward. Hopefully yours,—Barbara H. Wylie.

From the Recording Secretary

Dear Comrades: Nine years ago, at the National convention at Columbus, Ohio, I watched a group of women marching upon the platform. They had come from the four corners of the country; some were lame, one was blind—all had seen fifty years of service for "God and Home and Native Land." Under a storm of ridicule and abuse, they had sung "Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee," and gone right on. Mine was not the only heart that was stirred at the sight of them, and one speaker voiced the thought of all when she said, "When I remembered what they had gone through, I thought, 'Who are we to complain?'" Now we have seen what the newspapers say is a tremendous wet victory. The unrest and dissatisfaction with the serious economic condition has been expressed in this way, and some may feel that all our work has been wasted. No, never wasted, even if we do not see the results we hoped for; and as every year a new crop of little children comes on, it is their RIGHT to be taught the truth. We must not fail them.

Recently I spent a few days in and about a great hospital, and the sheer courage under the most painful, serious and hopeless disabilities which I saw there, again made me feel "Who am I to complain?" Let us never forget Anna A. Gordon's parting, and with COURAGE as our word, go forth to greater efforts, especially in the line of education. The Hand that led those Crusade mothers through all the years of their struggle, is still outstretched to us—we have only to grasp it. "Fear thou not, for I am with thee; be not dismayed, for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness." Faithfully yours,—Elizabeth C. Beasley.

Just the art of being kind is what a sad world needs.

Our New S. T. I. Dir. Writes

My Dear Friends: I am very happy indeed to join the state directors of our worthy organization. I feel it an honor to follow one who has carried on this work for years, with Mrs. Smith. The Lord willing, with your assistance, we shall endeavor to continue the work she has loved so long. The time has come when our burdens are not to be lightened. We must strive to prepare the men and women of tomorrow for the duties which will fall to them.

We are fortunate in having a state law requiring temperance teaching in the schools and it is our purpose to cooperate with the teachers to promote such instruction. I am sure every union is familiar with the essay and poster work in which our state has done fine work in the past. But these, useful as they are, are not our main objective. We should find out what is being done in the schools in the way of regular instruction concerning the effects of alcohol and other narcotics; should work to secure courses of study for the guidance of teachers and should place good reference material in their hands to supplement information in text books.

To every district director and local president, I have sent a message for I am eager that this work shall continue and that we shall put forth every possible effort. Do not overlook the University and state colleges. There is a place for them. Every district does not have a college but we can work through our county superintendent of schools. Many unions are not able to give prizes this year. Instead, place a good temperance book in the school library in honor of the winners. After all, a prize of money is not of the most importance so do not let the lack of it hinder the work. The reference leaflets are not expensive and should be placed in as many schools as possible. Keep your school well supplied with our attractive blotters.

Though the time is short, I urge you to get your schools busy before Christmas. Hereafter, present the work as soon as school begins in the fall. Always make use of the September S. T. I. program. The essays and posters from each local union should be finished and judged before Temperance Day in schools—the third Friday in January. Visit the school that day. Take part in the program and show your interest. Display the essays and posters at public meetings or in a store window.

The first and second prize winning essays and posters of each group should be sent first to your district director as soon as possible, that the district judges may have time for judging, before sending to me only the first of each group for the state contest. Please observe the rules carefully. Many fine essays have to be discarded because some teacher or district S. T. I. director has failed here. If you know that your district or local director is not working and possibly has not read this, go to work yourself and see that the work is started.

Shall we then remember, in 1932-33, that it is still true: "If we save the children today, we shall save the nation tomorrow."

Yours in the Master's service,
Fairdale, N. D. Mrs. J. S. Fattlar.

The National Council of Women has sent blanks to every local union, requesting signatures to these petitions to be presented to the governments of the world, asking them to send their most representative women to the International Congress of Women to be held in Chicago next summer, in connection with the Century of Progress Exposition. Please see that these petitions are signed and sent in.

Treasurer's Report

Sept. 19-Nov. 19, On Year 1931-32
Dues—Powers Lake \$9.20, same Y. P. E. 50c, New Rockford 70c, Dickinson with exch. 3.50, Ellendale 7.70, Fargo Scan. 18.90, Fargo 70c, Niagara 2.10, Portland 70c.

Budget—Williston comp. \$8.00, Ellendale 10:00, Niagara 3.00, Napoleon comp. 17.00, Valley City 60.00.

Miscellaneous—13th Dist. Pledge 10.00, Niagara, reports 75c; Portland, reports 30c.

1932-33

Dues—Fargo \$61.60, Glover 4.90, Bottineau 1.40, Edinburg 70c, Flasher 2.10, Bismarck 16.10, Minot 7.70, Dickinson 4.20, Hettinger 2.10, Wymdmore 70c, Van Hook Y. P. B. 2.00, Coopers-ton 20.30, Mrs. Dan Beck, Wheatland, N. D., Willard, 1.00, Pembina (new union) 6.30, Sharon 70c, Mrs. Chas. M. Knapp, Wishek, N. D., Willard 1.00.

Budget—Bottineau \$5.00, Edmore 22.00, Bismarck 20.00, Finley comp. 30.00, Makoti, with exch. 22.10, Stady-Zahl, comp. 13.00 (plus 12.00 credit of last year).

Miscellaneous—Jamestown Rally \$18.44, Mr. M. F. Van de Bogart 10.00, Collection on Field, Mrs. Kate Wilder, 38.58; 12th Dist., Pledge, 10.00 Hettinger 25c; Col. on Field, Mrs. F. M. Wanner, 38.59; Mrs. J. W. Ostman, W. R. B. subscriptions, 50c.

Dear Members of the W. C. T. U.:

These are days when people are "thankful to be able to hold their jobs." Business concerns have had to see thousands walk from their doors, jobless. People in high positions in politics have found themselves, these days, without jobs.

But the Woman's Christian Temperance Union has NOT lost ITS job. We were raised to fight the liquor traffic, to educate and create sentiment against it. OUR business promises to be more flourishing than it has been for years. Other institutions have found work short, and positions hard to find for their employees. None of this faces the W. C. T. U.; we are not without work; therefore our "job" is secure.

Let us make 1933 the most PROSPEROUS year in the organization's history. Let's all get the dues collected from the members of last year, and do this FIRST; then be ready to move with system in the campaign for new members. This is a time when no one is asleep on the job, and we are in the conflict, not only for a few "skirmishes" but TILL THE WAR IS OVER.

Loyally,

Mrs. E. C. Watkins,
State Treas.

THE TREASURER SAYS:

Forget the slander you have heard,
Forget the hasty, unkind word,
Forget the quarrel and the cause,
Forget the hill afar, because
Forgetting is the only way.
Forget the storms of yesterday,
Forget the one whose sour face
Forgets to smile in any place.
Forget the trials you have had,
Forget the weather, if it's bad,
Forget the knocker, he's a freak,
Forget him seven days a week.
Forget you're not a millionaire,
Forget the gray streaks in your hair,
Forget the coffee when it's cold,
Forget the kicks, forget to scold.
Forget the coal man and his weights,
Forget the heat on summer days;
Forget to ever get the blues,
But don't forget to pay your dues.
—Selected.

BEACH union made the largest net gain in membership last year and received the three prize Union Signal subscriptions.

Annual Reports

Young People's Branch

Four districts and several unions report Y. P. B. work done this year. Departments worked included Narcotics, Flower Mission and Relief and Sunday School work. Regular meetings were held and members took part in 17 public meetings. The Union Signal was used as a source of supply for programs. Makoti and Hatton assisted with L. T. L. work.

Miss Lenadell Wiggins who lectured before the summer schools, secured members for the Y. P. B. Makoti won 18 stars and 13 stripes for its flag. Two hundred five signatures were secured by the branches to the Declaration of Purpose. Reports have been received from Study-Zahl, Powers Lake, Northwood, Epping, Hatton, Makoti and Van Hook.

Your secretary visited the regional conference in Minot, mailed 2016 pages literature and sent numerous letters and suggestions for programs to the branches. Total membership, including young men, 102. Hatton had the largest paid membership and thus secured three prize subscriptions to The Union Signal.

Mrs. Geo. H. Moyer, State Sec.

Loyal Temperance Legion

Twenty of the 35 legions reported. Paid membership, 492; Crusader subscriptions, 52; to Anna A. Gordon Missionary Fund, \$3.86. Hatton with 105 members, is the largest legion and merits the six prize subscriptions to Young Crusader. They paid missionary dues and sent a large box to Red Cross. Northwood was second in membership with 71 members. They held a silver and gold medal contest and enjoyed a Washington party. Valley City stressed medal contests, holding five silver and one gold contest. Finley held most meetings, 18, took part in public programs. Montpelier was most active; met regularly, entertained their mothers, had a Washington program, planted a tree, studied flag etiquette, crushed 100 cigar stubs, made ten scrap books, had a candy sale and sent box to Red Cross. Parshall subscribes for Young Crusader for the 17 families represented in the legion; distributed 1000 pages literature. Epping stresses S. T. I. and two members won prizes in essay contest. Stanley reports 20 members and 13 meetings. Bottineau made posters and helped in public meetings with songs, readings and playlets. Makoti put on three plays.

Your secretary sent out much literature to legions, wrote letters to Bulletin, attended conventions and conferences whenever possible. Two temperance lessons were given each week of the Vacation Church School at Jamestown when four churches co-operated.

Mrs. E. S. Bordwell, State Sec.

Department Reports

Exhibits and Fairs

Mrs. Bessie Darling, Grand Forks director

National poster week was observed; one union held four exhibits; another sponsored "Ten Nights in a Barroom." Grand Forks and Fargo unions had rest rooms on fair grounds; posters were displayed, literature distributed, first aid given several, ice water was served. Grand Forks reports 1740 visitors registered during the week. Mrs. J. S. Fleming, district director, and her daughter, with the assistance of the state director, made a poster—"U. S. Budget Cannot Be Balanced by a Corkscrew"—which attracted much attention.

Makoti placed bulletin board in postoffice where posters are displayed and changed once a month. Prohibition facts are also placed on the bul-

letin board. Lakota placed leaflets and blotters in library books.

Pages literature distributed 16,500; posters 110; blotters 660; stickers 1,000; several open air meetings. Your director has written local unions and to White Ribbon Bulletin; distributed 2808 pages literature.

Christian Citizenship

Mrs. Geo. Campbell, Minot, director
This report suffers from lack of response—only 11 unions reporting. Activities include discussions in local unions and help in public meetings; visits to county, district and federal courts and city commission; letters to officials and to the press; letters of commendation to these also, letters to party chairmen for dry planks; personal interviews; attendance at naturalization meetings; interviews with first voters; unions heard from reported all members voting.

Your director wrote letters to Bulletin, sent literature to unions, conferred with local, state and federal enforcement officers and did much publicity work.

Evangelistic, Sabbath Observance and Bible in Public Schools

Mrs. John Pehrson, Alamo, director
Most complete reports came from Study-Zahl, Minot and Fargo. Study-Zahl placed two Ten Commandment posters and Bibles in their schools; their teachers and members of school board belong to the W.C.T.U. Minot made the greatest number of visits to shut-ins, with scripture reading and prayer. Fargo distributed most literature and made visits to the Crittenton Home. Alamo's teachers are W.C.T.U. live wires and are supplied with literature by the union. Northwood spent most money in this department. Summary: 205 devotional meetings; 30 evangelistic meetings; 4 prayer bands; sermons preached, and talks on tithing and stewardship; 5 programs on Sabbath Observance, the Fourth Commandment taught in 10 L. T. L.'s and Sunday schools; 6265 pages literature distributed; six members gained through this department. Your director wrote to the Bulletin and to all unions and district directors. Literature with plan of work was sent. Literature distributed 5418 pages.

Flower Mission and Relief

Mrs. Guy F. Harris, director
Unions reporting 33; bouquets and plants 2247; text cards and letters of sympathy 824; visits in homes or public institutions 936; drives and outings 136; glasses of jelly 372; quarts preserves 463; quarts vegetables 109; bushels vegetables 75; quilts and blankets 23; 7 boxes and 745 pounds clothing and 1445 garments; trees planted 11; literature distributed 8413 pages; money spent \$304.27; miscellaneous contributions—meat, lard cheese, groceries, doughnuts, milk apples, oranges, ice cream and candy. Much was reported through the Red Cross and Legion and no record kept. Your director wrote to the Bulletin, sent 2500 pages literature to unions and answered many inquiries about the work.

Institutes

Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, director.
It is a pleasure to note that North Dakota is becoming "Institute Minded." Following the glorified institute known as the National Regional Conference in Fargo last February, the state officers arranged for regional conferences in Grand Forks, Minot and Dickinson. Most of the unions in the state were represented at these conferences. As usual, the state executive committee devoted two of its sessions to an institute program and most of the district conventions were resolved into institutes after the business session. Thirteen local institutes

are reported with an attendance of 1352; literature distributed 2783 pgs; medal contests, playlets and lectures featured the programs. The largest collection reported was by Alamo—\$16.16. The director sent out over 3000 pages literature, wrote two articles in the Bulletin, one an outline for a local union institute, conducted seven local union institutes and helped with the state regional conference,

Medal Contests

Mrs. J. N. Wallestad, Wheelock, director

Medal contests held 42, 33 silver and 4 gold. Third and Fifth districts led in number held, each giving 11 medals. The superintendent of schools in Bottineau county is district director medal contests and works the department through teachers in several schools. Contests were held in Bottineau, Landa, Westhope, Souris, Kramer and Willow City. Two gold contests were held. Fifth district held contests at Alamo, Wildrose, Ray and Stanley. Twelfth district gave four silver medals and one gold, all at Valley City where loyal members donated the medals. Sixteenth district held silver contests at Gilby, Northwood, and Larimore and a gold medal contest at the district convention at Grand Forks. First district held three contests at Rock Lake; Seventeenth two at Hannah and one at Park River; Fourth, two at Van Hook; Ninth, one at Napoleon and one at Hazelton; Thirteenth, one at Dickey; Fifteenth, one at Fargo. The director wrote 98 letters and postals, sent out 26 parcels of material and 5206 pages literature. New contest reciters are being printed and unions will want to add these to their list. I need not stress the importance of this work. Who will report the first contest this year?

Medical Temperance

Mrs. Annie F. Catherwood, director.
At the beginning of the year literature for programs in this department was sent every local president. Ellendale had a guest day with an address on Medical Temperance, distributing literature on the subject. Fairdale considered the subject at a regular meeting, giving literature to one doctor and one minister. Mandan held two meetings on the subject, reached two educators and three ministers. Gilby held one meeting with an exhibit, reaching one doctor and four teachers. Hannah had five talks on the topic and devoted one meeting to it. Reynolds left literature at every home. Park River, at a Medical Temperance meeting, presented the playlet, "The Two Babies," also a drill "The Women of Tomorrow" by eight little girls. Unions reporting have occasional discussions on the topic. Your director wrote a letter to the Bulletin and 33 other letters, including 24 to medical graduates, with literature enclosed. Pages of literature distributed 3980.

Narcotics

Mrs. J. M. Holcomb, director.
Signatures to American Sentinel pledge 190; Anti-Tobacco pledge 76; talks at clubs, P. T. A.'s, Sunday Schools, etc. 14; subject discussed in Sunday Schools on Anti-Cigarette day; original poster contests 3; number posters 80; literature 3000 pages; blotters 600; one union petitioned stores not to show pictures of women on cigarette posters.

Scientific Temperance Instruction

Mrs. Lillie B. Smith, director.
Subject presented in local unions, clubs, etc., by teachers, ministers and others; schools reporting essay contests 21; essays written 651 (we know this is far from complete); posters 191; value of prizes \$102.52; temperance periodicals are supplied schools, colleges and public libraries; pages

literature 1250; S. T. I. exhibits 8, seen by 305 people; papers written by students and read at assembly on Temperance Day. Systematic temperance instruction is given in the grades in most of our schools. Text books used are satisfactory. Your director has sent out literature, written letters and conducted the state essay contest, with the help of the committee, sending prize essays to National contest.

Social Morality

Mrs. J. W. Frisbie, director.

Unions reporting 34; quests and programs on this topic 50, heard by 173 persons; sermons or lectures 23, estimated attendance 967; pages literature 3840, read by 252 members and 186 non-members; 19 books read by members, 11 placed in libraries; posters 16; exhibits 2. Improved playground and recreation activities reported by four unions, through co-operation with schools. Two unions were successful in a stand against dancing in public school building. One union reports a box of clothing and a quilt sent to the Crittenton Home. Another reports a fine address by the state superintendent of schools, Miss Bertha R. Palmer.

The Union Signal

Mrs. Geo. F. Clark, promoter

From the convention at Williston last year 14 subscriptions were secured. During October I sent for 12 more. Have sent yearly subscriptions from Fargo for 42; for state 12; half-yearly subscriptions, for Fargo 9, for state 20. One union made both the March offers, getting one free subscription for 10 subscriptions and the Anna Gordon booklet for five. I have had two letters in the Bulletin, one of them copied in The Union Signal. Young Crusader: sent for one club of ten; Fargo takes 15 for 4th grade teachers; have sent 47 subscriptions. North Dakota's part in the Crusade goal is a net gain of 55 subscriptions. Let us do our share.

Shall Beer Come Back?

Not if the W. C. T. U. can help it! The wets announce legal beer by Christmas.

We do not believe it possible, for bills to legalize beer were defeated six times in the first session of this same Congress, and there are many steps in the adoption of new legislation.

We must, however, be up and doing, and the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union recommends that an Anti-Beer Rally be held in every community on December 4th, afternoon or evening, from which personal and community protests will go to United States Senators and your own Congressman against nullifying the constitution by legalizing beer, an intoxicating beverage.

The time is short. Begin making arrangements today for this meeting to be followed by the Day of Prayer on December 5th.

ELLA A. BOOLE.

From this Rally protests should also go to the state Senators and Representatives from your legislative district against the repeal of the state prohibition enforcement laws.

Elizabeth Preston Anderson.

RANSOM COUNTY is a credit to the whole state. In the recent election they voted against repeal of the prohibition clause in state constitution by a majority of 750, a gain of more than 100 over four years ago. Sheldon and Green township voted two to one against repeal. The school house meetings over the county, conducted by Rev. James Anderson and others, had much to do with this victory.

Overcomers

Mary Harris Arner

Read your Bible through and you will not find a word that intimates that God ever makes his work manifest by a coward or a quitter. "No man having put his hand to the plow and looking back is fit for the kingdom of God;" "He that endureth to the end shall be saved;" "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown for life," etc., etc.

On the other hand the records show what the fate of the fearful and unbelieving—the cowards and quitters—must be. Note, in the seventy-eighth Psalm, how the white flame of scorn wraps the statement: "The children of Ephraim, being armed, and carrying bows, turned back in the day of battle." Their names come down to us through these thousands of years pilloried in contempt. See the punishment visited upon the children of Israel who refused to go up and possess the Promised Land because there were giants there and Sons of Anak, in whose sight they felt themselves to be "grasshoppers." Certainly if you think you are "just a grasshopper" every one else will think so, and probably you are! They were condemned to wander in the wilderness for forty years, till every man and woman who was old enough to be responsible for refusing to go on, had perished. Only the Overcomers, Caleb and Joshua were allowed to enter the Promised Land.

The cowards and quitters of today are saying that we can never possess the good land of total Abstinence and World Wide Prohibition. They say: "Let us make a captain and return into Egypt;" but we know too well what we escaped from, what we came through to get where we are, and what a glorious land we have set out to possess; and we have seen too many miracles of divine grace wrought for us, as we have marched and fought, to ever doubt that God will eventually bring us to worldwide victory.

We do not underrate the strength of the enemy. We know that we must overcome ignorance, avarice and appetite; that "We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." All the powers of darkness are arrayed on the side of the drink habit and the drink traffic, but we are not daunted nor dismayed, for the battle is the Lord's, and our standard is the Cross—our leader the Christ.

Through all the natural world there thrills and flashes a subtle electric vibration which is the supreme form of physical energy; this has its counterpart in the spiritual world; it is the deathless dynamic of the Holy Ghost. To possess this magnetism of soul, this heroism of life, this flame like flower of character is to be an OVERCOMER in the great battles of the race. To be filled with the Holy Spirit is to have courage, power and love; freedom, energy and VICTORY. And the Holy Spirit is to be had for the asking (see Luke (11:13). Then how guilty is the Christian, so called, who has him not.

Walter Rauschenbusch says: "It takes a great and comprehensive hope to kindle the power of enthusiasm in human lives." One need not wonder then, at the enthusiasm of those enlisted in this great warfare; for not only have we the assurance of a day when the world shall be free from the curse, but we look beyond that to the rewards this world can never give. Let us memorize and carry in our hearts always the precious promises to the Overcomers given by the Lord Jesus himself to John on the island of Patmos, and during the hard days of battle comfort one another with these words:

"To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God."

"He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels."

"To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame and am set down with my Father in his throne."

—The National W. C. T. U.

FROM OUR STATE PRESIDENT

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People's Branch but it is worth the effort. It is not difficult to organize the children and it must not be neglected.

I want to thank all those unions and individuals who had a part in the magnificent work done in the campaign. Your efforts were not lost. Let us now go forward in our regular routine work which is so necessary to the success of our organization,—collecting dues, raising as much of the budget as possible, before the holidays, looking after scientific temperance teaching in the schools, putting essay contests in schools, holding medal contests, public meetings and institutes.

At this approaching Christmas time, my heart goes out in sympathy to the homes in our state where there is sadness, perplexity, doubt and fear. Can we not do something to bring Christmas cheer, comfort and faith to others and thus enrich our own lives? We may have little or no money, but love, sympathy and help are of greater value. So shall we help to hasten that day of peace and good will of which the angels sang.

A Happy Christmas to you, each and every one!

Yours faithfully,
Elizabeth Preston Anderson.

I Am Still Rich

Roy V. Smith

We have passed through a panic, suffered from a crash on the stock market and are now more than half way through the depression and I am still rich.

It may be true that I have much less to live on than I had a year ago, but it is certainly true that I have just as much as ever to live FOR. The real values of life are unshaken and solid.

The stock crash cost us much that we never had—paper profits which never got nearer our pockets than the financial pages of the daily papers. The market failed, but not one acre lost its fertility and all the electrons, protons and ether waves went on working in their accustomed ways.

When the depression came I was compelled to take an invoice and soon discovered that I was still rich. All my capacity for enjoyment of life was intact.

My two-hundred-thousand-dollar eyes are just as good as they ever were. Every landscape and sunset is mine if I want it. Twenty-thousand-dollar scenes and views are added to my collection almost every week. A hundred-thousand-dollar sense of hearing is still unimpaired and by it I become an heir to a world of beauty and inspiration.

Then there's my million-dollar stomach and a half-million-dollar appetite. No doctor has sentenced me to spinach for the rest of my life. Better to have plain food and an appetite than to sit down to a banquet with no appetite. No man can be rich who is compelled to take orders from his stomach.

The depression has not lowered the value of a single friendship. Neighbors still greet us in the same old cordial way, business associates believe in us, and our sons hold us in high

respect. The wife's welcome at the close of the day has not depreciated in the least and our daughters continue to lavish their affection upon us with the same old extravagance.

My faith in the goodness of the universe is unimpaired. By the faith I am emboldened as I face defeat and despair. The prayers my mother taught me and the faith in God instilled in me by a devout father remain as priceless treasures no depression can touch.

No nation becomes great by becoming rich. Neither does a man find enduring satisfaction in life by OWNING something—only by BECOMING something. The most degrading poverty is that which results from killing the spirit that the body may be served.

This depression has cost us some of the things we created but it has robbed us of none of our power to create. We may lose some of our beautiful things but we have lost no love of the beautiful.

It is a challenge, not a catastrophe. A generation that has conquered the air and sent giant planes circling the globe, which has plunged into the deeps and disported on the ocean's floor, which has climbed above the clouds and lived in the stratosphere, is now faced with the challenge to rise above its dependence on mere things and seek an emancipation of the spirit of man.

The last six months have been for many men a thrilling spiritual adventure through which they have discovered their real wealth. Bereft of dividends and profits they are discovering the sustaining powers of a strong religious faith, the abiding values of courage, heroism, honor, charity, and trustworthiness.

A financial crisis can wipe out profits and bring business to a standstill but character is beyond its reach.

The Hope of the Future

Those who voted out the prohibition clause of our state constitution on election day little knew at what a price it was obtained and retained through the years. They forgot, if they ever knew, the sacrificial efforts, of such noblemen as Judge C. A. Pollock, Hon. Robert M. Pollock, and others of sacred memory, who sought to lay foundations for the well-being of their posterity in the years to come.

But we are encouraged to believe that, while the sins of the fathers are visited upon the children to the third and fourth generation, the virtues are also, as the following letter might seem to indicate. Curtis, the eight-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Pollock, Simi, California, and grandson of the late Robert M. Pollock, wrote "A Speech for Hoover" which we are happy to reproduce here:

My Speech for Hoover

"I am voting for Hoover because he is against the repeal of the 18th amendment. I will tell you what it means. It means that no man can drink liquor. Just think of all the men that are fighting for the repeal of this great amendment. But this amendment has a small chance of being repealed, because it takes 32 states out of 48 to vote yes before it can be repealed. But another reason why I am voting for Hoover is that Roosevelt is for the repeal of the 18th amendment. Now how many are for Roosevelt? If you vote for the repeal of the 18th amendment you are opening the gates of our states and saying to the bootleggers to come and start their drinking without fear. And still Roosevelt is for this. Now how many are for Roosevelt?"

"The tariff too means a lot on Nov. 8. The tariff means that the people who go across to foreign lands and buy things must pay a tax before they can bring it in. Hoover is trying to raise the tariff to protect the American working man."

An Historical Fact

"An historical fact, however should here be noted. The credit of the enactment and preservation of the constitutional and statutory provisions in their complete integrity is due to the encouragement, devotion and sleepless energy of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union more, perhaps, than to any other single organization or person, led in territorial days, as it was, by the much beloved and recently departed Mrs. Helen M. Barker as president; and since statehood, for a short period, in a peculiarly active manner by Miss Addie M. Kinnear; and for the past eighteen years by that patient, level-headed, unwearied and never defeated champion, Elizabeth Preston Anderson."—From a Manual of Prohibition by the late Judge C. A. Pollock in 1911.

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