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Things To Love

There are so many things to love:
 The tranquil sound,
 Peace filled and dulcet, of a mourning dove;
 The gold of sun that plays upon the ground
 Through green of dancing leaves;
 Magic of still
 Silver moonlight on a window sill;
 Perfume of flowers, and the deep, fresh smell
 Of rain-washed earth; the care-free, bubbling sound
 Of youthful laughter; and the strange, sweet spell
 In which young lovers walk;
 The wondering, round eyes of baby-hood,
 And the unquestioning trust of little children;
 The quick, upward thrust of joy in one's own heart
 For moments filled with clear, still peace;
 Strange, deep release in symphonies of tone;
 Thoughts that are spilled, for one's delight,
 Between the leaves of books;
 The harmony of color and the swift magic of line
 Beneath an artist's brush;
 The flooding touch of firm, warm hands and looks
 Of friendliness, in understanding eyes;
 The upward life of conquered tasks;
 The low-voiced, soothing rush of tree-fringed rivers,
 And the majesty of stately hills;
 All these are loves to me.
 I shall not think today of shadowed things;
 This hour I shall count only lovely things.

Anne Graham.

President's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:
 I am sure you are working as well as praying these days, for never in the history of our nation have the powers of evil been so subtly at work. The Council for Moderation, organized by men and women of prominence, some of them identified with education and with the Christian church, claiming their objective is to emphasize the danger and menace of excessive drinking, is a strong ally to the liquor traffic and a great menace to our work. It should be a challenge to every temperance man and woman.
 We are glad that thorough scientific investigations of recent years support the principle of complete abstinence from intoxicants as the only safe attitude, personally and socially, but we must stress education along those lines. Avail yourselves of our splendid leaflets of informing facts, carry them with you wherever you go, handing them to people when you have opportunity.
 The past week, I attended the Twelfth district convention at

Cooperstown and the New Rockford at Oberon, both good conventions. Cooperstown gave us a royal welcome. Outstanding work was done by that school in the matter of posters—130 being made, the best exhibited in the P. T. A. meetings and over weekends in the J. C. Penney store. The superintendent gave his high school class a group of questions to study: 1. To understand the historical background of the fight against liquor. 2. To realize the value of total abstinence for the individual and the community. 3. To understand the present situation and the problem of law enforcement, giving several questions on each subject with data for reference. He told us the response was very gratifying and sometimes surprising.

At each convention, encouraging reports were given but to me the best part was that each union was stressing Alcohol Education. In New Rockford district, each union had placed in its school one or more copies of the Syllabus in Alcohol Education by Miss Palmer which were being used.

Miss Rebecca E. Shaner was with us at the Cooperstown convention, proving herself very helpful and inspirational. At both conventions, the Frances Willard Centenary Plan was presented. Surely in all our communities there must be two or more citizens, not necessarily members of our organization, who will be willing to give towards this fund. Send to our State Headquarters at Fargo for the little Centenary booklet and other literature that will help present this work in an authentic and informing way when you make your calls for help. The sooner we raise our quota the sooner we will receive much needed help for this educational campaign.

Three-fourths of all money raised in this Centenary campaign remains in the state, to be used in Alcohol Education, through teacher training, youth and adult education, reference library, motion pictures, exhibits, radio, posters, etc. I wish that we had Dr. Wise right now, with his bell and his book of wise sayings. (He is driven by a motor which rings a bell, points to wise sayings on the turning pages of a book before him.) We could send him from one town to another on his informational journey. During the Century of Progress he attracted much attention. When our money comes in, we may purchase one or rent one from Mother National.

The National goal is—"Every state a contributor by Sept. 6-12" when the National convention meets in Atlantic City. North Dakota was the first state to raise and pay her quota after the World War and I am sure each union will do its best to "raise its share now. It is only \$2500 in all for our state.

We rejoice with, and congratulate Georgia upon holding her law against hard liquor and trust that the official count may substantiate this fact. We



Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer

...re nearing the end of our Seedtime and Harvest and I am hoping and praying that this month will bring us many new members, besides Held Fast and Fruitful unions. A recent issue of the Pathfinder has this statement: "Church N. R. A. One of our readers, a minister, says the only N. R. A. the church needs is:
 Earnestness to God
 Repentance of sin
 Acting for the right.
 May we, in our beloved state, do all three, remembering His promise, "Lo, I am with you always."
 With love,
 Mrs. Fred M. Wanner.
 Jamestown, N. D.

Lest We Forget

Fourteen promises were made for beer by the advocates of modification. We ask you to check the promises against the present facts in the case.
 The beer spokesman promised:
 A billion dollars in taxes.
 Immediate prosperity.
 No more agricultural problems.
 A million men returning to work
 AT ONCE.
 Disappearance of the gangster.
 No more crime.
 No more speakeasies.
 No more drunkenness.
 No more depression.
 No more drinking.
 No more troubles anywhere, anyhow, anytime.
 Perfect law enforcement.
 Rehabilitation of youth.
 Postmaster General James A. Farley said: "Repeal will do away with bootlegging, gangsters, racketeering and kidnapping."
 President Roosevelt said: "The saloon must not come back in its old form or any modern guise."
 What are the facts today?—
 Georgia Bulletin.

Coming Back Home

With great pleasure we announce the coming of Miss Bertha Palmer to our state for two weeks work in summer schools. Mr. Arthur E. Thompson, State Superintendent of Public Instruction and the presidents of our state colleges have been most cordial in cooperating with the state W. C. T. U. in inviting Miss Palmer.
 Miss Palmer is expected to arrive in Fargo June 15 and to speak at a union church service Sunday, June 16. Her dates at Mayville are June 17-19, during which time she visits the University at Grand Forks. She will be at Minot June 20-22; Dickinson, June 24-26 and at Valley City June 27-29. Early in July she will visit Ellendale. A few days in Bismarck will also be included in her itinerary.

We quote from the National W. C. T. U.:

"For six years Miss Palmer was State Superintendent of Public Instruction in North Dakota and is now director of the Department of Scientific Temperance Instruction in the National W. C. T. U.

Miss Palmer is in the midst of her second year of nationwide presentation of the up-to-date scientific facts regarding the effects of alcohol, and during recent months she has personally conducted in all parts of the country, classes not only of youth but of adults in practically every walk of life in such interesting and novel fashion as to win overwhelming commendation from educators, social workers and civic leaders alike. During the past ten months Miss Palmer has become best known for an especially prepared Syllabus on Alcohol which has attained the unique honor of being a best seller in the field of scientific publications, and which contains a brief but comprehensive summary of the whole subject of beverage alcohol's psychological and physical relations to the human race.

Miss Palmer does not lecture or address her audience, but teaches. She uses practical methods, and demonstrates with specimens the characteristic actions of alcohol, dehydrant and solvent, upon inanimate and animate substances. Using the blackboard and charts, she shows that the actions upon inanimate substances are the reasons alcohol is a necessity in the industries, but when taken into the body in beer, wine or other drinks, these same actions are injurious to living tissues."

Good News

North Dakota sends happy congratulations to Georgia that she has held her prohibition law against such fearful odds. Prayers were offered here, dear friends, and we rejoice with you in the victory.

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A Sure Foundation

It was to be expected that our splendid national officers, in their wise plans for the Willard Centenary, would begin on a sure foundation. At the apex of the five-pointed Centenary Star stands SPIRITUAL EDUCATION, reminding us again that "Without Me ye can do nothing." Towards this end we are urged to regularly observe the noontide hour of prayer; to search the Scriptures; to magnify devotional services at local union meetings; to tithe our income, no matter how small, remembering that the W. C. T. U. work is the Lord's work and entitled to a share. We shall never succeed in this marvelous enterprise unless we are spiritually equipped.

ALCOHOL EDUCATION is one of our chief objectives during this period. In order to finance a specially-made scientific motion picture for use in schools; a great training school to equip and send out additional scientific experts to teach alcohol education; and a host of other well-laid plans, a definite sum must be paid or satisfactorily pledged before progress can be made.

CHARACTER EDUCATION is another objective and includes well-directed efforts against such social evils as gambling, lotteries, race track betting, red-light districts, objectionable motion pictures and lures offered to children, all of which repeal has aggravated.

CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION includes studies on the United States Constitution, on Taxes and Taxation; the relation of public expenditures to liquor, showing the cost of accidents, crime and poverty caused by liquor; the principles and workings of government, national, state and local; a familiarity with local civic conditions; voting at every election.

EDUCATION FOR PEACE may be promoted by studying all movements towards world peace; by appealing to Congressmen when questions of international relations are being considered; by cultivating friendships with persons of other countries and by talking peace.

It will need earnest consecration to carry out this magnificent program and for the part pertaining to Alcohol Education, money will be needed. The W. C. T. U. has always carried on an educational program but the times demand that we enlarge and intensify it. It may look difficult but we of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, like the Panama engineers, must "Specialize in the wholly impossible."

When we all "Catch the vision soul-enthraling," it will be easy to carry on and the needed funds will be forthcoming. May our eyes be opened to the great opportunity before us that we may unitedly work and pray for the victory which will surely come!
B. H. W.

Seedtime Almost Over

Farmers are busy finishing their seeding and before this paper reaches you, our seedtime for new members will be over as far as the spring campaign is concerned. We will, however, continue to pursue this same plan until the close of our W. C. T. U. year in September. Reports from unions are coming in and we hope for many more by June 1st. The following have been reported as—

Ruths:

Mrs. O. J. Oswald, Northwood
Mrs. George Mowry, Larimore
Mrs. Theo. Strandness, Larimore
Mrs. Fred M. Wanner, Jamestown
Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, Fargo
Mrs. V. A. Sheppard, Grand Forks
Scandinavian

Mrs. J. A. Youngman, Dickey
Miss Edith Carey, Bottineau

Gleaners:

Mrs. Julia D. Nelson, Fargo Scandinavian

Madame Ida M. Melin, Fargo Scandinavian (2)

Mrs. Barbara H. Wylie, Fargo (3)

Mrs. Clarence W. Lee, Stady-Zahl (2)

Mrs. P. J. Foss, Stady-Zahl (2)

Mrs. Otto Saugstad, Northwood

Mrs. Martin Berg, Northwood

Mrs. Ralph Thoreson, Northwood

Mrs. F. W. Gress, Underwood

Mrs. J. S. Fattlar, Fairdale

Mrs. H. P. Halverson, Fargo Scandinavian

Mrs. Necla E. Buck, Salem, Oregon

Mrs. Gunda Haisley, Glover

Mrs. Tillie Olson, Glover

Mrs. E. M. Strom, Grand Forks Scandinavian

Mrs. James Larmour, Larimore

Mrs. John A. Hill, Fargo

Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson, Sheldon

Mrs. R. B. Reed, Fargo

Mrs. J. W. Norris, Sheldon

Mrs. Christian Braa, Crosby

Mrs. Otto Olson, Underwood

Mrs. N. G. Lillevoid, Fargo Scandinavian (3)

Mrs. Charles Gangness, Prosper

Mrs. Gill Monson, Prosper

Mrs. Chas. Hagman, Prosper

Mrs. George Rust, Prosper

Mrs. A. N. Lindsay, Prosper

Mrs. J. H. Phelps, Crosby

Mrs. C. N. Cottingham, Stanley

Mrs. Paul Hanson, West Fairview

Mrs. Cecil Coit, West Fairview

Mrs. Margaret Ballinger, West Fairview (2)

Mrs. J. F. McKay, Bowesmont

Mrs. M. M. Harris, Bottineau

Mrs. John Pehrson, Alamo (2)

Mrs. Edna M. Snyder, Bottineau

Miss Shaner In North Dakota

For years, we in North Dakota, had wanted Miss Roena E. Shaner, national organizer and lecturer in our state, so we were happy when she was assigned to us for five weeks—April 24-May 29. And we have not been disappointed. Her thorough knowledge of the work, her deep spirituality and keen sense of humor together with her boundless enthusiasm, admirably qualified her for the work to which she has consecrated her noble life and splendid talents. Everywhere she made friends who will long remember her gracious kindness and impressive words. It means much, in times like these, to meet all expenses and leave a balance for state and national treasuries, and this Miss Shaner has done.

She was the chief speaker at nine district conventions and three local institutions. Besides those, Miss Shaner addressed Sunday Schools, young people's groups, church and W. C. T. U. groups, speaking 61 times and reaching 2905 people. At Devils Lake, her Sunday morning service on Mother's Day was broad-

cast. Always she explained the Willard Centenary plan and created interest in it which we hope may materialize. The referendum petitions on the hard liquor bill were stressed everywhere and 627 signatures secured. Thirty new members, 14 renewals and one honorary were secured.

At Lisbon, an Iota Sigma W. C. T. U. was organized May 28 with 8 members of promising, interested young women. The president is Mrs. E. T. Sandager, secretary, Mrs. Lloyd Trett and treasurer, Mrs. W. R. Tennis. We gladly welcome this valuable addition to our ranks and wish them much success. Miss Shaner left the evening of May 30 for Wyoming and we pray God's richest blessing may follow her as she works in our sister state.

Mrs. Wilder Went West

Away out west to Bucyrus, where the Tenth district met in convention May 16, Mrs. Kate S. Wilder went from Fargo to be the principal speaker. Rev. Peter Fjstad of Bowman, also gave an address. Mrs. S. N. Englestad, president at Bucyrus, conducted devotions. In the evening a fine musical program was presented. This district, of which Miss Effie Walsh is president, is now to be known as the Hettinger district. While in Bucyrus, Mrs. Wilder addressed the high school. She also spoke in schools at Hettinger, Reeder, Beach, Dickinson, Jamestown and state Teachers College at Dickinson.

In Hettinger she held an interesting interview with a county official and at Mandan with local workers. Sunday morning she spoke in the Nazarene church in Dickinson and in the evening at Beach. At the latter place, fifty women attended the afternoon meeting next day and four women from Wibaux, Montana, were present as visitors. Mrs. Wilder also spoke at the Woman's Club in the evening.

Napoleon entertained the convention of the Ninth district, now known as the South Central, May 22, with Mrs. E. C. Banister presiding. Mrs. Wilder was again the convention guest, speaking several times. Rev. Peder Fluvog gave an address. The L. T. L. put on a very fine demonstration and the high school band played at night. Mrs. Annie D. Pitcher, Linton, is the new vice president and all the other officers were re-elected. Both these districts voted to accept their quotas in the Willard Centenary Educational Fund.

During this trip, Mrs. Wilder traveled 979 miles, secured four new members, made nineteen addresses, speaking to 462 adults and 1055 students.

MRS. C. E. ERICKSON HONORED.—Mrs. C. E. Erickson, Crosby, was very pleasantly surprised on her birthday, April 22, when members of the W. C. T. U. came with their handiwork to spend the afternoon. A delicious, five o'clock supper with a beautiful birthday cake was served by the guests. In recognition of the occasion and her faithful years of service as local president, Mrs. Erickson was presented with a gift.

If you were busy being kind Before you knew it, you would find You'd soon forget to think 'twas true That some one was unkind to you. If you were busy being glad And cheering people who are sad, Although your heart might ache a bit You'd soon forget to notice it."

"Religion is the first thing and the last thing, and until a man has found God and has been found by God, he begins at no beginning and works to no end."

In Memoriam

"And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away."

Mrs. Charles D. Rodgers of McKenzie, for many years the faithful president of the local union and treasurer of the district W. C. T. U. passed peacefully away in her sleep to awaken in that Land where there is no night. Mrs. Rodgers was a pioneer in North Dakota and through her long life, maintained a vital and helpful interest in every good cause, local, state and national. "She rests from her labors and her works do follow her."

Mrs. Caroline Lobben, a long-time devoted member of the Fargo Scandinavian union and one of the most faithful in attendance; a charter member of the First Lutheran church to which she gave her loyal support; a true mother in Israel, who was loved and honored by all who knew her, will be held in blessed remembrance—"As a cloud of the sunset slow melting in heaven,

As a star that is lost when the daylight is given;
As a glad dream of slumber, which awakens in bliss—
They have passed to the world of the holy from this."

Items of Interest

BENEDICT.—Members of the Benedict union of which Miss Susie Herrington is president, have been presenting the story—"Ten Nights in a Bar Room"—with telling effect. Recently they gave it at Velva. Interspersed with appropriate music, the whole program takes an hour and a quarter.

FAIRDALE.—At their May meeting, the L. T. L. children were happy to have a visit from Miss Roena E. Shaner and Mrs. Beasley who spoke briefly. In June, the L. T. L. will assist in a program sponsored by the Ladies Aid society at which Mmes. Annie F. Catherwood, Nellie M. Cross and W. B. Simcox of Park River, will be honored guests. Edinburg L. T. L. has invited the Fairdale L. T. L. to join them in a picnic and to help with the program. Mrs. J. S. Fattlar is local president and also leader of the L. T. L.

GRAND FORKS SCANDINAVIAN.—Seven little white ribbon recruits were dedicated to the temperance cause by the state director of Child Welfare, Mrs. R. A. Sprague, at a regular meeting of this progressive union. Two small girls—Beverly Hagley and Ruth Quarum sang "Precious Jewels" and three mothers offered prayer. Mrs. E. M. Strom presided and Mrs. Wm. Breen led opening devotions. The hostess, Mrs. M. J. Quarum, served refreshments.

POWER'S LAKE.—The local director of Scientific Temperance Instruction, in cooperation with the teachers, arranged for essay work in all the grades in school. At a pre-Easter program, sponsored by the union, the best essays were read and prizes awarded. Local ministers and teachers from nearby school were invited guests. Some of these essays will be read at the district convention. In the lower grades, some fine posters were made. The meeting was largely attended and lunch was served to defray expenses.

Our todays make our tomorrows, and our present lives determine the grade of which we must enter any next life.—Minot J. Savage.

Treasurer's Report

April 17-May 24, 1935

DUES—(number of members) Bottineau, 4; Prosper, 5; Hillsboro, 12; Fargo Scand., 50; Wyndmere, 1; Page, 9; Christine, 1; Williston, 8; Southam, 10; Jamestown, 4; Edinburg, 5; Plaza, 4; Guelph, 5; New Rockford, 1; Hettinger, 2; Fargo, 3; Dickinson, 4.

WILLARD MEMBERS—Mrs. J. A. Burgum, Arthur, Mrs. Elmer Bullock, Mrs. Grant Fowler, Wahpeton; Mrs. Margaret Markell, Hansboro; Mrs. Chris Bietler, Pingree; Mrs. George A. Johnson, Edmore.

BUDGET—Fairdale, \$9.00; Guelph, 1.50; New Rockford complete, 12.00; Fargo, 4.00.

STATE REPORTS—(number of copies) Carrington, 3; Epping, 2; Fargo, 3; Calvin, 4; Grand Forks Scand., 3; Gilby, 3; Grand Forks, 6; Crosby, 2; Stady-Zahl, 2; Prosper, 3.

DISTRICT PLEDGES—4th district, \$5.00; 16th district, 5.00.

WILLARD CENTENARY EDUCATIONAL FUND—Mrs. Fred M. Wanner, \$10.00; Mrs. Barbara H. Wylie, 10.00; Mrs. R. E. Reed, 10.00; Mrs. Louisa Busch, Underwood, 2.00.

Four more are Fruitful Unions—Bottineau, Hettinger, Hatton and Northwood.

Dear Friends:

We all want to help with the Willard Centenary Educational Fund and the big program it is to finance. Our opportunity is only \$2500.00 for the five years and of this amount, three-fourths is to be retained in the state for the new program and one-fourth sent to the National W. C. T. U. If we want a share in this program of motion pictures, radio, posters, exhibits and other projects, which the National plans to purchase through this fund and to share with the states, we will want to do our part.

I know there are many demands for money but we must try to put first things first and this seems one of the most important projects ever undertaken by any organization. Let us get all our other W. C. T. U. obligations out of the way that we may give to this the attention it merits. Let us not wait five years but see how soon we can do it!

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. R. B. Reed, Treasurer.
1116 3rd. Ave. So., Fargo.

Districts Hold Conventions

Choose New Names

Acting on the recommendation of the last state convention, districts voted to be designated in future by names instead of numbers. The new names are here used.

FARGO. (15th.) April 24, in the First Methodist Church, Fargo, an enthusiastic and well attended convention was held, some delegates driving 60 miles in the rain. Presiding was Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, district president. Miss Roena E. Shaner, national organizer, as guest of honor, contributed much to the success of the meeting. Another distinguished guest was Hon. P. O. Sathre, Bismarck, attorney general, who gave a short address. Mrs. Julia Thoreson, Mrs. R. R. Brownlee, Page and Rev. E. L. Weiss, host-pastor, led devotions at the different sessions.

Mrs. J. A. Burgum, Arthur, conducted the service of remembrance and Mrs. Eina Aaker, Hatton, led the noontide prayer. Mmes. R. E. Fate and W. H. Targgart entertained with duets and Mrs. P. E. Mickelson, with a solo. They were accompanied by Mrs. G. W. Moon. Mrs. H. J. Perry, Hillsboro, associate L. T. L. secretary, spoke on the importance of work with the children and Mrs. Wylie presented state plans. A play—"A Profitable Call" was given in a most convincing manner by Mmes. Mattie Nor-

ris. Cora Amerland and Miss Jessie Hill.

Miss Shaner explained the provisions of the Willard Centenary. Mrs. Martha Langseth, Prosper, spoke on "Campaigning to Keep North Dakota Dry." An impressive reading—"Betty's First Dance"—was given by Miss Mavis Jensen, Secretary of the Fargo Y. P. B. At the evening session, with Miss Shaner as chief speaker, Lois Julian and Margaret Pomeroy played a violin and cello duet, accompanied by Mrs. E. R. Pomeroy. Miss Mildred Thorstad, who sang a soprano solo, was accompanied by Miss Buhrman. Resolutions expressed belief in total abstinence, alcohol education, the Child Labor Amendment, World Peace, Prohibition and the Willard Centenary Plan.

RICHLAND (20th.) At Wahpeton, April 29, this convention met in the Methodist church, Mrs. Katherine Gardner, Wyndmere, presiding. Mrs. Olaf Bjorke, president Abercrombie W. C. T. U. led devotions. Mrs. Hattie E. LaGrone graciously welcomed the delegates and favored the convention with several songs.

All unions were represented and reports indicated they were carrying on bravely. An increase in Union Signal subscriptions in the district suggested the reason for increased interest. The president and some members of the Breckenridge union were present as visitors and were given the white ribbon salute. A luncheon was served at noon in the church dining room.

Miss Roena E. Shaner, as guest speaker, made "every one feel a personal responsibility for the work" writes Mrs. V. G. McLeod, recording secretary. Miss Shaner was heard again with much interest in her evening address. Dr. James E. Cox, Grand Forks, president of the North Dakota Consolidated Dries, was a welcome speaker, as he explained the present outlook in the state and the work of the organization of which he is president.

Music was furnished by Fairmount union in which some of the school children were included, Mr. F. Matheon providing transportation. All officers were re-elected.

GRAND FORKS. (16th.) In the parlors of the Presbyterian church, Grand Forks, this district met May 7th for its twenty-fifth annual convention. In the regretted absence, through illness, of the district president, Mrs. S. O. Nelson, the vice president, Mrs. Bessie M. Darling presided. After the business session, a beautiful memorial service for promoted comrades was conducted by Mrs. J. P. Reiton, concluding with a solo—"Abide With Me"—by Miss Myrtle Jack, and Miss Shaner voiced the noontide prayer.

Mrs. Geo. Mowry, president Larimore union, opened the afternoon session with devotions. The five points of the Centenary Star were ably discussed as follows: Spiritual Education—Mrs. Rasmus Lunseth; Alcohol Education, Miss M. Beatrice Johnson; Character Education, Mrs. Geo. S. Muir; Citizenship Education, Mrs. O. J. Oswald; Education for Peace, Mrs. Oscar Lunseth, Miss Shaner giving the summary. Mrs. Laura Wickard gave a very fine original reading. Seedtime and Harvest was discussed by Mrs. E. Franklyn and Puths and Gleaners were recognized. The Hermanson trio furnished music. A Union Signal playlet set forth the merits of our official paper.

In the church dining room, a 6 o'clock dinner was served, Miss Mary MacCumber graciously presiding as toastmistress. Mrs. J. S. Fleming and Mrs. E. M. Strom, local presidents, welcomed the delegates for their respective unions, Rev. Homer Harrington spoke for the churches

and Mrs. Ralph Thoreson, Northwood, responded. Rolf Hovey sang a solo.

At the evening session, the Bible School Quartet sang several numbers. Miss Shaner again gave an address and Dr. James A. Cox, president Consolidated Dries, in an able address, showed why the hard liquor bill is being referred. Mrs. Nelson, former president, having declined re-election, Mrs. Bessie M. Darling, Grand Forks, was elected president and Mrs. Geo. S. Muir, Gilby, secretary. The other officers were re-elected. Mrs. Nelson was lovingly remembered by her comrades who presented her with a pearl white ribbon pin.

NORTHEAST. (17th) Meeting in the Lutheran church Nekoma, May 9, this district held its 46th annual convention, Mrs. Frank Beasley, district president, presiding. Delegates and visitors were present from Grafton, Edinburg, Park River, Nekoma and Fairdale. Reports were received from Hannah and Bovesmont whose delegates were unable to attend. All district officers were present except the vice president, Mrs. Vivian Skulte Quigley of the Pembina union, who was detained by illness. Reports showed the usual charity and educational work continuing, with special activity because of wet campaigns.

Mrs. Annie F. Catherwood conducted a service of remembrance for comrades promoted to higher service during the year, an impressive feature of which was a solo—"No Night There," by Mrs. W. B. Simcox. Interesting posters made by school children were exhibited as was also a collection of groceries, loaned by a Nekoma store, and representing the price of a bottle of beer a day for one month. Talks on timely subjects were given by Mrs. J. S. Fattlar on Alcohol Education, Mrs. P. O. Laurhammer on the Hard Liquor Bill and Mrs. Oscar Rud gave News Flashes.

Miss Roena E. Shaner, national organizer, explained the Willard Centenary and Membership Plans in detail. In the evening Miss Shaner gave an excellent address full of humor and serious thought. Assisting with musical numbers for the evening were: a group of school children, the Mickey Mouse orchestra directed by Miss Lillian Bergren, a vocal trio composed of Mmes. Luke Dunn, John Hanson and Miss Inez Loff and a duet by Mrs. Andy Johnson and Maye Johnson. Recitations were given by Albert Johnson, Faye Sholey, Allister Bellerud, Irvin Sholey and Alice Bakken, who were instructed by Miss Agnes Lorenz.

Resolutions adopted opposed the present liquor and cigarette advertising, deplored the passage of the hard liquor bill, urging all to sign referendum petitions, thanked the Cavalier County Fair association for refusing to allow the sale of beer at the Fair. Members of the convention were guests of the Nekoma union at a dinner served in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sholey. All officers were re-elected except the corresponding secretary who declined and Mrs. Oscar Rud, Fairdale, was elected to that office.

DEVILS LAKE (1st.) Cando entertained this district May 14, with the district president, Mrs. Elias Porter presiding. Miss Shaner was the principal speaker at the convention and also had broadcast a message over radio while in Devils Lake. Rev. L. F. Green drove delegates to Cando and was a welcome guest at the convention, obeying, as always, the scriptural injunction to "help those women." The convention voted to assume its quota in the Willard Centenary Fund. A detailed report of this meeting has not reached us at this writing.

MINOT (4th.) Mrs. C. F. Truax

local and district president presided at the district convention held in the Presbyterian church, Minot, May 17, with a large delegation in attendance. Miss Shaner, as guest speaker, explained the five year Centenary program and the district voted to assume its share of the Centenary Educational fund. Mrs. E. O. Lerberg, Parshall, district medal contest director, presided at a gold medal contest in which Helen Chrislock of Minot and Donald Henchett of Ryder were winners. There were nine other contestants.

Miss Susie Herrington, Benedict, spoke on Alcohol Education. Mrs. Geo. Campbell and Mrs. Mabel Moyer served as resolutions committee. The convention adopted resolutions stressing a continuance of alcohol education; protesting against liquor and tobacco advertising in the press, over radio and in the movies, and urged members to secure the signatures necessary to refer the hard liquor bill to the people and to secure its defeat at the polls. All officers were re-elected.

RANSOM-LAMOURE. (13th.) At West Fairview, May 27, this district met, Mrs. J. A. Youngman, district president, presiding. Besides the guest speaker, Miss Shaner, this convention was happy to have with them our honorary president, Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson, who greatly helped during the membership years ago. Mrs. Anderson organized the West Fairview union which has been active ever since, largely due to the maintenance of an L. T. L. Three ministers were present—Revs. D. E. Duden, E. L. Shotwell and James Anderson. Mrs. Lewis Coit welcomed the delegates and Mrs. J. A. Lensink, Sheldon, responded. The memorial hour was in charge of Mrs. Nettie Waldo.

Delegates were bountifully served for lunch at the home of the local president, Mrs. Lewis Coit. Mrs. J. W. Norris, Sheldon, led devotions at the afternoon session. Mrs. E. M. Farnsworth, Edgeley, presented membership plans; Mrs. E. A. Scea, Dick-ey, spoke on young people's work. Mrs. Anderson showed why the hard liquor bill is being referred; Miss Shaner explained the five year program of the National W. C. T. U., and dedicated four white ribbon recruits. A playlet by the young people was a feature of the evening meeting. Leon Hanson sang a solo, other local people assisted with the music and Miss Shaner gave the evening address.

Further details of the Bismarck district, meeting at Steele, May 23 and the 12th meeting at Cooperstown, will be given later.

The best things are nearest: breath in your nostrils, light in your eyes, flowers at your feet, duties at your hand, the path of God just before you. Then do not grasp at the stars, but do life's plain, common work as it comes, certain that daily duties and daily bread are the sweetest things of life.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

Nothing is so strong as gentleness, nothing so gentle as real strength." —St. Francis de Sales.

Our doubts are traitors
And make us lose the good we oft
might win
By fearing to attempt.

—Shakespeare.

Once to every man and nation,
Comes the moment to decide, In the
strife of truth with falsehood, for the
good or evil side.—Lowell.

Every moment is the right one to be kind.

Young People's Branch

At the May meeting of the Fargo Y. P. B. Catherine Wentland led devotions, Helen Cunningham read, Loren Potter reviewed "Studies in Government" and William Avery told about his trip with the Amphion Chorus of which he is a member. Mavis Jensen and Emily Reynolds were refreshments committee. The June meeting will be a lawn party at the home of the supervisor, Mrs. Clifford Wells.

The Congress of Parents and Teachers, in National Convention at Miami, Florida, May 1935, passed the following resolutions: "Recognizing the effect of propaganda in determining the attitude of youth towards all commodities, we protest all advertising of alcoholic beverages and narcotics." "We urge the study of the effects of alcohol and narcotics based upon scientific facts." With both of these resolutions the members of the Young People's Branch heartily agree.

CAN YOUR MOTHER TRUST YOU?

Out from a North Dakota home into several different states, has gone a fine family of sons and daughters to their work in the world. The mother writes: "Our nice big home is empty too soon. But I am so thankful that I was privileged to raise my family of fine, sober and industrious boys and girls that are our pride, while we had both state and national prohibition. Now that they are all scattered and far from home, working in cities with conditions such as they are, I never have a moment's worry about their being tempted to drink or smoke and that is surely some comfort these days." With evil rife on every side, the mothers of today surely need much grace and wisdom in their task of training their children.

AN EVERYDAY HERO

There came to my attention the case of a young man who has real courage and character. I speak of Leland Monasmith of Lane, South Dakota, who won first place in the 4-H Clubs' national health contest. He was declared to be the health champion of the United States. He was immediately approached by a cigarette company which offered him a handsome sum if he would permit his name to be used by that company. What a fine thing for that brand of cigarettes it would be to have the healthiest boy in America, say that he smoked those particular cigarettes! Offers of a similar nature have been accepted by prominent statesmen, by leading motion picture actresses, by great artists, by leaders in sports. Why should this boy not sell his name?

Simply because his ideals were higher than those of the artists and statesmen and athletes who sell their names. He had too much character. So, while he was poor and needed the money, he refused to trifle with his name. He maintained his honor and thus became a fine example to the boys and girls of America. It was a splendid thing to have the physical health of this young American. It is even finer to have the moral health he exhibited.—Walter E. Myer, editor The American Observer, January, 1935.

MISS CAREY DINNER GUEST.

Miss Edith Carey was the guest of honor at a 6 o'clock dinner served by the members of the Bottineau union May 28, at the home of the president, Mrs. M. M. Harris. Miss Carey who has for many years been an active worker in this union was presented with a gift. Twenty guests were present, among them Mrs. W. E. Black of Fargo, sister of Miss Carey.

The Loyal Temperance Legion

Dear Leaders and Legioners:

It is time we were making plans for our July meetings. July is Loyalty month, when we pay loving tribute to the memory of Miss Anna A. Gordon, the children's friend. Helpful suggestions for this program will be found in the Young Crusader.

I hope we have our Wall of Total Abstinence well under way. It would be fine if a representative from each legion would take the wall of your legion to the next W. C. T. U. meeting and show the women how the project is progressing in your locality. A combined meeting of the W. C. T. U. and L. T. L. is suggested for July by the national L. T. L. secretary.

During the next few months, the Flower Mission department of the L. T. L. should be very active. It is not hard to find people who have no flowers—sick neighbors, aged people, lonely or shut-in children—to whom flowers from the woodlands or from your garden would bring cheer and gladness. "It's sweet to be remembered" so let's see how many messages of cheer and comfort we can carry to others this summer.

I hope some of you are making posters, as was suggested some time ago, using the topics—Safety, Health, Alcohol Education, or Anti-Tobacco. Please send any you have made to me early in August. A wonderful display of posters was at the Coopers-town convention which I attended. I brought some back with me for visual education here in Jamestown.

As our schools close, let us not close our legions but carry on in outdoor meetings with jolly times for all who attend. Have you seen the new stickers for automobiles? They are bright red and white with the slogan: "If You Drive—Don't Drink; If You Drink—Don't Drive." You may buy these for 50 cents per 100 and sell or give them away.

Loyally yours,

Mrs. E. S. Bordwell,
State Secretary.

Jamestown, N. D.

National W. C. T. U. Broadcasting Period

Mrs. Helen H. Green, national director of Radio, send the welcome news that a National W. C. T. U. Broadcasting period has been established through courtesy of WLS, Chicago, "The Voice of Prairie Farmer." This is a first class 50,000 kilowatt station of wide coverage, with an excellent reputation.

You will find this by tuning in at 370 on the dial and should be heard in our state from 2:45 to 3 P. M. on Tuesday of each week. Mrs. De Yo, our national corresponding secretary, was the first speaker. If you find you can hear this station, will you not tell your neighbors and friends? This is a part of the plan for making our members "radio-conscious" and other listeners "conscious" of the nature of alcohol.

If you hear this broadcast, will you not write to the station and express your appreciation for the privilege of hearing a dry broadcast? This station does not carry liquor ads.—a thing we all appreciate. The address is Station WLS, 1230 Washington Boulevard, Chicago. And will you kindly let us know at W. C. T. U. Headquarters, Fargo, if you are able to hear this broadcast?

The true worth of a man is to be measured by the objects he pursues.—Marcus Aurelius.

We find in life exactly what we put into it.—Emerson.

A Letter to President Roosevelt

In an open letter to Mr. Roosevelt, The Presbyterian Tribune, March 7, 1935, after quoting a paragraph of the President's in which he had pledged himself to work for peace, says:

You have talked peace, but your administration forges vigorously ahead with the greatest peace time war preparations we have ever witnessed. You have talked peace but your administration through the navy department announces naval maneuvers at such a time, in such a way and at such a place as to affront a friendly nation. As if this were not enough preparations are apparently being made to stifle free discussion of public issues—a usual preliminary to war.

Mr. President, we are troubled and we are fearful. Can you not give us some reassuring act as well as word that we are not soon to be plunged into war? Why not recall the order for those provocative naval maneuvers? Why not cease expanding our military establishments and allocating relief funds to it? * * * We are convinced that there is no issue between ourselves and Japan or any other nation which cannot be solved by an honest diplomacy, a resolute facing of the facts and a willingness to follow, even a little way, the law of love.

Mr. President, you have power unequalled by any other living man. We beseech you to use it for "the furtherance of durable peace for our generations in every part of the world" which you have with God-given wisdom declared to be "the only goal worthy of our best efforts."

—Our Dumb Animals.

Progress

The cause of abstinence is getting ready for a great new growth. People are beginning to see what liquor drinking means. Just now the liquor tide is running strong. Those people who shift about with every changing fad are easy victims to this new form of commercial exploitation. But there is another group of young men and women who have too much self respect to fall victims to such a destructive and wasteful habit. They will keep themselves clean and strong. And out of their courage and strength and independence will come the leadership of tomorrow. During many years in public life I have had an opportunity to watch the careers of many men. I have never known a drinking man who would not have been stronger without the habit. If there was ever a time when America needed to be sober that time is now. The men and women who refuse to drink will have clearer heads than their fellows. They will see better and act more wisely and just as surely go farthest and get the best places. Self-discipline still remains the price of achievement and progress.—Joy E. Morgan, National Edu-

He who loves best his fellow man is loving God the holiest way he can.—Alice Cary.

"We will not quit till the liquor traffic quits."

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"Nothing will ever be attempted if all possible objections must be first overcome."

Act well at the moment and you have performed a good action to all eternity.—Lavater.

Of all the evils under the sun
Cigarette smoking surely is one;
It 'queers' the heart and dulls the
brain

And gives the fingers an ugly stain.
E. B. Kimm (Revised)

But if you are to be great, it must be in conduct,—it's not enough to be a critic. Any one can recognize a fault, or a failure. Don't spend your energy condemning—DO better yourself. It's difficult—that's why great men are rare.—John Erskine.

DO YOU DRINK BEFORE DRIVING?

Will you help to free our highways from drinking drivers? Put one of these sunproof red-and-white stickers on your windshield. Give or sell them everywhere. Interest traffic police, automobile clubs, garage men, etc.

To make money for your W. C. T. U. buy stickers at 50 cents a hundred, sell them at a penny apiece. Quantity prices on request.

TREE PLANTING

If your union has not purchased one of the bronze tree-markers, size 7 3-4x5 3-4, plan to do so now in honor of some member who has been an influence in your community and organization. Price, \$5.00. Engraving of name extra.

National W.C.T.U., Publishing House,
Evanston, Illinois.

THE UNION SIGNAL

Special Offer

Beginning June 15th—Ending August 15th

To help local unions win a place in the 1935 Union Signal Book of States.

Offer No. 1

Eleven yearly subscriptions to The Union Signal will be given for \$10.00.

Terms: The eleven yearly subscriptions must come in on one order. The remittance of \$10.00 must be enclosed with order. The premium must be claimed with the order. (SUBSCRIPTIONS PREVIOUSLY SENT IN CANNOT BE COUNTED.)

Offer No. 2

For five yearly subscriptions to The Union Signal at the regular rate of \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for the five, a premium of one six-month subscription will be given.

Terms: These subscriptions must come in on one order. The remittance of \$5.00 must be enclosed with order. The premium must be claimed with the order. (SUBSCRIPTIONS PREVIOUSLY SENT IN CANNOT BE COUNTED.)

Note: The extra subscription may be the very thing needed to put your union on the Honor Roll with all points of merit. Please mark June 15—August 15 on your calendar as these offers will POSITIVELY NOT BE EXTENDED AFTER AUGUST 15th.

Address—The Union Signal,
Evanston, Illinois

THE YOUNG CRUSADER

Summer Plan

35 subscriptions—to states with more than thirty unions each paying for a club of ten Young Crusaders.

30 subscriptions—to states with twenty-five unions each paying for a club of ten Young Crusaders.

25 subscriptions—to states with twenty unions each paying for a club of ten Young Crusaders.

15 subscription—to states with ten unions each paying for a club of ten Young Crusaders.

Note: Clubs sent in previous to June 1st, 1935, will not be counted in this contest.

Rate: \$3.00 for a club of ten sent in at one time.

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Evanston, Illinois