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AN EASTER SONG

A song of sunshine through the rain,
Of spring across the snow,
A balm to heal the hurts of pain,
A peace surpassing woe.
Lift up your heads, ye sorrowing
ones,
And be ye glad of heart,
For Calvary and Easter Day—
Earth's blackest day and whitest
day—
Were just one day apart!

No hint or whisper stirred the air
To tell what joy should be;
The sad disciples, grieving there,
Nor help nor hope could see.
Yet all the while the glad, near sun
Made ready its swift dart.
And Calvary and Easter Day—
The darkest day and brightest day—
Were just one day apart!

Oh, when the strife of tongues is loud
And the heart of hope beats low,
When the prophets prophesy of ill,
And the mourners come and go;
In this sure thought let us abide,
And keep and say our heart,
That Calvary and Easter Day,
Earth's heaviest day and happiest
day—
Were but one day apart!
—Susan Coolidge.

**JOHN WESLEY PREACHED
HERE**

If every minister of the Gospel would "cry aloud and spare not", the liquor traffic would have to take to its heels.

Many years ago a man rode a horse into a little village in England. He stopped at a blacksmith shop, and inquired: "Why can't a man get a drink of liquor in this town?"

The blacksmith did not even look up from his work, but replied: "The reason is this: More than a hundred years ago a man named John Wesley preached in this town."

The pulpit is the highest authority in the land, and is powerful in its influence on society. The world expects the pulpit to erect the standard, and then measure up to it—William D. Gray in National Voice.

MRS. ANDERSON HONORED

From The Long Beach Sun we clip the following:

"Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson, thirty years president of the North Dakota W. C. T. U. and Recording Secretary of the National W. C. T. U. will be guest of honor of the Long Beach Federation W. C. T. U. at a tea Thursday from 2 until 5 p. m., at the home of Mrs. Cornish Brown, 1525 East Second St. Arrangements for the tea are in charge of a committee, Rev. Nelle Osmun, Mrs. Edith Cocks and Mrs. Lulu Holbert. Officers, members and friends are invited."

THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Sister Workers:

Just returned from Fargo, having attended our helpful and inspirational mid-year executive meeting—so much wish that each one of you dear women could have received this inspiration.

We had, as our guest of honor, Mrs. Ethel Bliss Baker, Minneapolis, Minnesota's State President. She gave us two very fine addresses and at our business session, many helpful plans for work. We feel very grateful to her for coming.

Membership Drive

We are on the last lap of our Membership Campaign. Because of bad weather and roads, many have had an enforced rest, and should be ready and anxious to Go. We are asking each one of you to—first pray, then either go (or write) to at least five women or more, telling them of our many projects, of the great need for new members, and report to State Treasurer names and dues as soon as possible.

We have set three hundred as our goal—small enough to attain, but this means work for each of us. Just think what it would mean if only each one gained ONE! Adding new workers and spreading temperance truths. Not being able to secure, or to learn how to make tiger lilies, the state officers have decided to use our own state flower, the wild rose. I do not mean to advertise for any one firm, but because of the brevity of time, will say that Sears, Roebuck & Co. catalogue will give you the needed information as to material, cost and how to make the wild rose (pink). We suggest that each union make its own to use in a service at meetings, placing a rose in a vase for each new member gained this year. At Tulsa, Okla., our state will present, at the Flower Festival, a rose for each new member gained. If not already received, each president should send to State Headquarters for leaflet "Planting and Harvesting," to help in membership drive. Be sure to close with a May-Day Party, making Queen of the one gaining most new members. Let Corresponding Secretary know of new members—Gleaners, Ruths and Harvesters.

Help!

Mrs. Necia E. Buck, Salem, Ore., formerly one of our state officers and field workers, will commence work, with us, on April 15th. She must be entertained, and allowed to take an offering at meetings to help defray expenses.

Dear District and Local Presidents: please make careful survey of your nearby territory, and plan for meetings for Mrs. Buck's itinerary. Prayer and well planned meetings will bring results. Let each of us be in prayer, for her work in our state, trusting that she will gain many new

members and organizations, and spread many temperance truths.

Field Day, April 19

Will you ask the pastors in your town, or community, to either give a brief talk upon our work on Sunday, April 19, telling of Centenary Plan projects, asking for pledges and for new members, or, for permission to place some five-minute speaker to do the same. "In Union there is Strength", so let us unite in this effort on April 19.

Institutes

We urge each union (or unions near together) to plan for an Institute as soon as roads are good, using information from leaflets which have been sent out to local presidents. These will secure for you a successful and helpful institute.

District Conventions

As soon as you can, get in touch with Mrs. Wylie, as to WHEN you desire to have your convention. Where possible, Mrs. Buck will be placed with you, but if not available, she will see that you have a field worker Remember, worthwhile meetings, whether union, district, or for speaker, must be well planned. "The more you put into anything, the more you get out." Mrs. Buck can help with institute.

Union Signal and Young Crusader

I trust that both of our official papers have received your special attention this month and that many subscriptions have been renewed, or made. They are our "bread of temperance life", and we cannot become well-informed, inspired, and efficient workers, without them. Place in library, high school and homes; paying 50 cents each, two women can enjoy our splendid Union Signal, each week, for one WHOLE year. No more worry over lack of material for programs—nor to refute wet propaganda.

Literature

Again we have, at State Headquarters, an abundance of fresh fine literature. Attractive colored leaflets, bearing latest information and statistics in regard to menace and harm of alcoholic drinks, are now available—ten assorted texts, 75 cents per thousand, 40 cents per five-hundred. Secure these; give them out liberally and help defeat the Hard Liquor Bill. Whittier said, "Speak out in acts: the time for words is passed and deeds alone suffice"—but, we need both words and deeds. "She helps twice who helps quickly." Help now!

With earnest prayers for success in our work,

Mrs. Fred M. Wanner,

I don't drink beer; first, because I don't like it and second, because my profession is one that obliges me to keep in critical training and beer is fatal both to training and criticism." George Bernard Shaw in Illinois Watch Tower.

EASTER DAWN

By Florence Stebbins
Morning stars are singing;
Lillies are richly clad;
Joyous birds are winging,
The whole earth is glad.

APRIL SNOW

Snow, on the ground, falls gently—
Gently falling;
Dazzling whiteness is everywhere;
But I hear the notes of robins calling
And April's breath is in the air.

The southern winds blow softly—
Softly blowing;
And the snow turns to gentle rain;
The sap of life in the trees is flowing—
Springtime fragrance is here again.

The sun through clouds gleams
brightly—
Brightly gleaming;
Spreading its gladness through the
earth;
In the heart of man new faith is
streaming
For spring is again at its birth.
Fargo, N. D. —Florence Stebbins.

**MATHEMATICALLY
SPEAKING**

Alcohol is nothing if not mathematical. It adds an unnecessary bad habit, subtracts from the pocketbook, divides the family, and multiplies one's troubles a hundredfold.

Blessed are the peacemakers—not the war-makers—says the Good Book. If we can't help, perhaps at least we can avoid hindering someone else.

The regents of the University of Minnesota, a landgrant college, recently abolished the compulsory feature of military training and made drill optional.

Alcohol singles out youth, doubles his sorrows, trebles his difficulty in getting a job, and quadruples his chance of failure in life.

Cooperstown's March meeting was held in the home of Judge and Mrs. Carleton. Short but pointed talks were given on the Five Point program. Two solos were contributed by Mrs. Rose. During the social hour, Mrs. O. J. Thompson, whose parents lived at one time in the same town with Frances Willard's mother, showed a quaint little wash bowl and pitcher which Madame Willard had given a woman who worked for her and later worked for Mrs. Thompson's mother. Mrs. Thompson now owns this precious heirloom which was probably used by Frances Willard when a child. On this occasion the historic bowl was used to receive the offering which was generous and will be for the Centenary Fund.

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THE LAST CALL

Because this is an election year in which all the states are interested, and for other reasons, the National W. C. T. U. convention is to be held early in June, at Tulsa, Okla. This shortens the time for the membership campaign conducted by the National W. C. T. U. and leaves us only the month of April in which to win new members. The severe winter has greatly handicapped our work but can we not now double our diligence in this worthwhile effort? May Day is the closing date and report must be made by May 15 to our national corresponding secretary, Mrs. DeYo. So let us Hurry! Hurry!! Hurry!!! and

see what can be done! Here is our record to date:

RUTHS

Mrs. R. B. Reed, Fargo
Mrs. O. J. Oswald, Northwood

GLEANERS

Mrs. Fred M. Wanner, Jamestown
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(Since last month)

Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson
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Mrs. J. C. Calloway, Larimore
Mrs. Henry Dean, Larimore
Mrs. Martin Johnson, Larimore.
Mrs. Carrie Aasen, Oakes
Mrs. Gill Monson, Prosper
There is yet time for many more.

IN MEMORIAM

"And they shall see His face."

Mrs. A. L. Ditch, for many years president of the union at Oakes.

Mrs. Louise Hanson, Fairdale, one of our life members, is bereaved in the passing of her husband and has our sincere sympathy.

Mrs. Iver Ytreide, Montpelier, president of the union there for several years, sister of Mrs. Laura Wahl Pulscher.

Mrs. L. G. Otteson, mother of Mrs. C. E. Soderholm of New Rockford, was called Home Feb. 14. A devoted Christian, she trained her children to fill useful positions in the world. A strong temperance advocate, her influence was always for the Right.

Mrs. Mary Wylie, once of Park River but later of Fairdale, is remembered lovingly for her devotion to the temperance cause; for the efficient way she raised a motherless family of six, starting for them a Sunday School in her own home when there was none nearby, adding new members until the whole community felt its influence. She passed away Feb. 27, aged 79, from the home of her daughter in Fordville.

Mrs. Abram Baldwin, for many years a leader in every good cause at Oberon and whose promotion to heavenly activities last fall was not reported to us until recently. To her friends and to all associated with these dear ones, sincere sympathy is expressed.

"Love's light illumines the pathway you tread,
Comrades of yesterday—now saints of God.

Happy white ribboners, homelike is heaven,
God guides us through help you have given."

There is no more inconceivable folly than this continued riot of expenditure on battleships at a time when great masses of humanity are dying of starvation. —Herbert Hoover

Make my mortal dream come true,
With the work I fain would do;
Clothe with life the weak intent,
Let me be the thing I meant;
Let me find in thy employ,
Peace that dearer is than joy. —Whittier.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR HONORARY PRESIDENT

Dear Comrades:

North Dakota never seems very far away from me although I am just now sitting outside in the warm California sunshine and have been watching with a strange fascination the waves of the Pacific breaking on the "Long Beach". Uncle Sam's fleet is spread out before me and twenty of the great ships are in sight. A gentle breeze is blowing and the air seems filled with airplanes, kites and sea gulls. It is sometimes difficult to tell which is which.

Mr. Anderson and I are enjoying the sunshine, the mountains, the sea, the orange, lemon and walnut groves, but most of all our children, grandchildren and many friends from North Dakota. This is our first winterless year and it is a new experience to be free from heavy responsibilities. To-morrow, Sunday, March 15, is Field Day in Southern California W. C. T. U. and a special effort will be made in the churches to secure new members. Last Sunday, Mr. Anderson preached in one of the Long Beach churches and I was asked to make a few remarks. I was happy to secure seven new members and have since secured a new member for North Dakota W. C. T. U.

Southern California W. C. T. U. has raised its quota for the Centenary Educational program and expects to raise it all before the close of this W. C. T. U. year. There are five unions in Long Beach and the president of the Federation told me that most of them had gone over the top and all of them expect to pay their entire quota within a few days.

The presidents of two of these unions are former North Dakota women.—Mrs. C. L. Holbert, formerly of LaMoure and Mrs. Edith Cocks, who used to be a member of the L. T. L. and Y. at Larimore. The corresponding secretary of a third union is Rev. Nelle Osmun, a former field worker of North Dakota. It is a joy to know that our North Dakota women are making good wherever they go. Among other women from our state who are living in Long Beach, I have met Mrs. J. H. Flewell, Leal, Mrs. D. W. Feltham, Mrs. L. D. Maurer, Starkweather, Mrs. John Haig, Devils Lake, (now living at Whittier); Mrs. Wallace Heffron and Mrs. Earl Buckman (May Winans King), Tower City.

Among those who are here for the winter are Mrs. J. G. Moore and Mrs. Geo. E. Black of Grand Forks; and Mrs. John Watt, Leonard, who, as Mintie Bowe, was at one time our Headquarters secretary. It would take too much space to mention all the former North Dakota W. C. T. U. women I have met on the coast. I had the privilege of delightful visits with Mrs. J. O. Smith and daughter, Miss Bernice, Seattle, formerly of Casselton; Mrs. C. C. Chaffee, Everett, formerly of Valley City; Mrs. E. R. Martin, Portland, also from Valley City; Miss Janet Adam, Portland and Miss Clara Mann, Monrovia, who both served at our State Headquarters at different times. Mrs. Martin is now president of the largest union in Portland. Mrs. James Riley, former president Jamestown W. C. T. U. is now living at Glendale. I also visited with our former treasurer, Mrs. E. C. Watkins, who is spending the winter at Glendale, Mrs. Helen Porter, Fargo, Mrs. R. M. Lundey and her mother, Mrs. Sheikis, who used to be at Wahpeton, all of Los Angeles.

At Salem, Oregon, I visited our Nevia E. Buck, national organizer, whose visit to North Dakota we are looking forward to with great anticipation. I realize how the severe cold and deep snow has hindered the work in our state, but I know how heroic

North Dakota women are and I believe every one of us will make an extra effort now to secure new members and to pay our quota in full to the Centenary Educational Fund. We never know what we can do until we TRY. Refresh your mind on the wonderful Five Year, Five Point program. Study especially the educational projects. Then, with a prayer, start out. Don't be discouraged with one rebuff or a dozen. It is a great cause—it is God's work and you are giving people the privilege of helping. Keep on keeping on and you will be surprised at the dimes, quarters and dollars you will gather, and at the women who will join.

A letter to-day from Mrs. Inez Dorrance, secretary Sheldon W. C. T. U., reports, their quota of \$30 to Centenary fund all raised but \$3.00 and it will doubtless all be raised before this letter is in print. How many unions have raised their quota—gone over the top? This Centenary Educational Fund, if it can be raised at once, will greatly help us in defeating the hard liquor bill next June. We can well afford to make great sacrifices to do this. North Dakota must keep her prohibition law. We will return early in May and in ample time to vote and I trust to be of some help in the campaign.

Yours for victory all along the line,
Elizabeth Preston Anderson,
Long Beach, California,
March 14, 1936.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

Mrs. E. S. Bordwell, Secretary

We are delighted to hear of the new L. T. L. at Ryder with Mrs. Eide as leader. They have made splendid plans.

Mrs. J. W. Frisbie has organized two legions—one at Dickey with 20 members and the other at Willow Grove with 10 members. Valley City is hoping to have another series of declamation contests this spring. Their last meeting was very interesting. Edinburg reports fine work in spite of the cold weather. We can all do better now spring is coming.

Jamestown L. T. L. meets in connection with the King's Herald at the Methodist church every two weeks. Their Wall of Total Abstinence is growing fast.

Try this at your next meeting:
(Tune: Mary Had a Little Lamb)—
We children have a temperance pledge,

Temperance pledge, temperance pledge,

We sign in L. T. L.

We'll never smoke a cigaret

Cigaret, cigaret,

We'll never smoke a cigaret

It's harmful so to do.

I like this cheer:

A citizen may be tall,

A citizen may be short,

A citizen may be fat,

A citizen may be thin—

High up, wide out, short or thin,

It matters not to Uncle Sam,

It's how you act and what you do

That makes young citizens good

and true!

Sing this to Tune of "Farmer in the Dell"—

Young citizens are we

Young citizens are we,

Some day, you know, we all will

vote,

Young Citizens are we.

And we will all vote right,

For town and nation fight,

Sure it's true, we say to you,

We will all vote right.

"A good citizen should be kind, honest, courageous, and loyal. He should have self control, be reliable and have reverence for the flag of his nation."

TREASURER'S REPORT

Feb. 16-March 16, 1936,

Dues—Stanley, 3; Fargo Scandinavian, 36; Fargo 20; Hannah, 11; Bucyrus, 7; Northwood, 22; Bottineau, 12; Cando, 10; Makoti, 4; Valley City, 25; Abercrombie, 6; Underwood, 5; Bismarck, 6; Sheldon, 3; Steele, 2; Hatton, 14; Crosby, 1; Gilby, 4; New Rockford, 2; Plaza, 12; Minnewaukan, 3; Stanley L. T. L. 2; Northwood L. T. L. 92; Dickey L. T. L. 20; Willard Members, Mrs. I. Fenne, Mrs. A. L. Porter, Mrs. R. W. Simmons, Mrs. Anna Young, Mrs. Wilbur Hanson, Mrs. H. S. Grover, Mrs. J. E. Frisbie, Mrs. Elmer Duden, Mrs. L. B. Chamberlin, Mrs. James Holmes, Mrs. Edgar Markell, Mrs. C. Quissel.

Budget—Fargo, \$7.45; Calvin comp. 15.00; Bucyrus, 8.00; Stady-Zahl comp. 14.00; Bottineau comp. 20.00; Cando comp. 10.00; Valley City, 30.00; Abercrombie comp. 18.00; Underwood, 7.00; Bismarck, 9.00; Steele, 2.00; Hatton comp. 30.00; Almo comp. 9.00; Crosby comp. 20.00; Williston, 8.00; Dickey comp. 8.60.

WILLARD CENTENARY FUND—Stanley, \$1.00; Grand Forks Scan. 10.00; Mrs. Carrie Aasen, 1.00; Cando, 7.00; Underwood, 5.00; Hillisboro, 2.00; Sheldon, 4.00; Bismarck, 7.60; Mrs. John Pehrson 10.00; Fargo, 3.85.

STATE REPORTS—Makoti, 1; Underwood, 2; West Fairview, 2.

Dear Treasurers:

We are always glad to get money in any form but are better pleased with money orders because there is no exchange on them. Every year we pay quite a sum for exchange, which if shared by each union, would not amount to much.

If you move, please send us the change of address on a postal card. Otherwise we have to pay two cents for every such notification by the postoffice.

We hope you are all working hard for new members and that the dues for these may reach us before May 1st. when the national membership campaign closes. We want North Dakota to make a good showing among the states at the National convention in Tulsa in June.

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. R. B. Reed, Treasurer.

HOW DID THEY DO IT?

Figures given by the World Almanac show that cigarette consumption doubled in six years and was well on the way towards tripling itself in ten years. In 1921 the number sold is estimated at 45,065,323,004; in 1931—119,638,626,443. How did these promoters get their ideas across to the people? What worked this miracle of change?

We all know the answer—Advertising. They are paying \$16,000 for a color page in a weekly and \$12,000 for a Sunday-comic page to reach the homes of 5,550,000 families. Morals are thus being created commercially by expensive advertising. But let us not give up the fight against this enemy of the children and the men and women of our land. "Truth, crushed to earth, shall rise again."

"Every morning seems to say,
There's something happy on the way—

And God sends love to you."
"Drinking prevents thinking, and the time will come when thinking will prevent drinking."

—Illinois Watch Tower.

Remembrance is the sweetest flower of all this world perfuming, for love doth guard it, sun or shower, and friendship keeps it blooming.

—Clifton Bingham.

LOCAL ACTIVITIES

Fargo union held a "white elephant" sale with proceeds for the Centenary Fund.

The two Grand Forks unions met at the home of Mrs. R. A. Sprague for the Willard memorial meeting, afternoon and evening sessions being held. Fifty persons were in attendance. Mrs. A. V. Sheppard president of the Scandinavian union led devotions. Each person gave a quotation from Miss Willard. Mrs. Odell, whose husband is a relative of the Willard family, read a paper on Miss Willard's life. Mrs. Theo. Hanson, accompanied by Miss Bondelid, and Mrs. Hermanson, sang. Mmes. Aaker, Eaton and Aylesworth and Misses Tirsell and Wagar took part in a symposium. At the evening meeting, Miss M. Beatrice Johnstone gave the address and solos were by Mrs. Schultz accompanied by Miss Amanda Jorgenson. A covered dish luncheon was served after each session.

Recent activities of the Ryder union include the organization of an L. T. L. of 58 members by the local president, Mrs. O. M. Eide, assisted by the grade teachers; a medal contest in which Bert Neukom, reading, "The Difference" and Margaret Harstad reading, "Pa and I" were prize winners; a temperance sermon in St. John's Lutheran church by Rev. E. Kristensen; a Frances Willard meeting with Miss Margaret Campbell and Mrs. Bergene, hostesses, and Miss M. Lundahl as speaker, and a Christian Citizenship meeting at the home of Mrs. G. B. Officer.

HILLSBORO observed Narcotic Education week with a suitable program at the home of Mrs. C. E. Leslie, local president, Mmes. O. J. Flagstad and C. L. Covell assisting hostesses. Miss Serine Forde gave an interesting talk on Liquor Advertising and Mrs. Flagstad a review of late information on narcotics, calling special attention to the deadly marijuana weed, sometimes known as "Indian Hemp" which is frequently in cigars and very destructive to the nervous system.

MINOT held their first and second elimination contest in the seventh grade of the Junior high school in preparation for the state W. C. T. U. contest. The following were selected: Elaine Gilmore, Betty Hughes, Vergil Baker, Eleanor Koehler, Eleanor Norberg and Irving Scott. The seventh grade won five first places out of seven last year. Miss Rasmusson is teacher.

THE ONE WHO WINS

A three-year-old child was having difficulty moving a table. "Baby, you can't move that table," said her mother, trying to discourage her. "It's as big as you are." "Yes, I can," was the child's response. "I'm as big as it is." The difference between success and failure, often lies in your viewpoint of the things to be done. If you think you are beaten, you are; if you think you dare not, you don't; if you'd like to win but are sure you can't,

It's almost certain you won't—Life's prizes don't always go To the stronger and swifter man; On a thousand fields the one who wins Is the one who is sure he can.

—Exchange.

Nothing will ever be attempted if all possible objections must be first overcome. —Dr. Johnson.

THE MID-YEAR MEETING

In Fellowship Hall, First Baptist Church, Fargo, the mid-year meeting of the North Dakota W. C. T. U. was held, March 19, 20. Mrs. Fred M. Wanner, state president, presiding. Mrs. Ethel Bliss Baker, the gifted and gracious president of Minnesota W. C. T. U., as guest speaker, came as a good neighbor to her former home town where she was graduated from high school, and was warmly welcomed. Opening the afternoon institute, Miss Sue M. Herrington, Benedict, state secretary Youth's Temperance Council, led in a helpful worship service, applying the message in Isaiah 53:5 personally.

Mrs. George A. McGregor, state director Religious Education, spoke of her work in distributing temperance material to Sunday Schools and Vacation Church Schools and briefly reported the meeting of the International Council of Religious Education which she attended in Chicago. Suggesting how to make local union meetings interesting, Mrs. Frank Beasley, state recording secretary stressed promptness in opening and closing, variety in program, music, reading of poems, participation by children, use of Union Signal and Young Crusader in program; light refreshments.

Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, National director Institutes, emphasized the value of the institute in creating interest in the work and giving it publicity; in gaining new members; in promoting total abstinence and prohibition. Mrs. L. A. Runestrand, Fargo, entertained with a vocal solo. Our Responsibility for The Young People was the topic assigned Miss Herrington who expressed her belief in the fine, clean, high minded young people of to-day who are attracted by that which is daring and which is a blessing when directed in the right channel. Young people to-day are not responsible for the conditions which prevail. It is ours to be kindly sympathetic, directing and encouraging them, helping them to see the W. C. T. U. is not a bunch of long-faced cranks but those who are deeply interested in their welfare.

The Willard Centenary Educational Fund was ably discussed by Mrs. Bessie M. Darling, President Grand Forks district, which leads the other districts in amount raised for this fund. Mrs. Darling enumerated the hindrances with which we have had to contend in our state but claimed no great sacrifices have yet been made. We must keep faith with the public who contribute towards this fund and see that it is used for Alcohol Education through radio broadcasting, instruction of teachers, motion pictures and other visual methods.

Mrs. Baker, in a heart to heart talk, showed that our problems and Minnesota's are similar. When legal liquor returned, we were like the Israelites with the Red Sea before them, the mountains on either side and Pharaoh's army behind; but God brought them through and He will bring us through, if we continue to go forward, with a song of triumph, similar to that of Miriam. Our work may not be very popular now but, in common parlance, "Can we take it?" When criticism comes, see if it is just. We must have a new approach to our age-old problems. We must make our work attractive. Do things we would willingly do if we were giving a party. Plan your work and work your plan. Invite young women to a tea and organize an Iota Sigma. From the Tribune Press Conference in Chicago, Mrs. Baker brought the message: "Do something. Do something worthwhile. Do it well." We don't know what we can do until we try. A local president in Minnesota

who felt she could not do anything gained 18 new members. And what rewards we do have when we give our time in service to the Lord!

The Evening Meeting

In the spacious dining hall, a delicious dinner was served by the ladies of the church, at which the state president, Mrs. Wanner, presided. Dr. Daniel Heitmeyer, pastor of the church, voiced the invocation. Vocal solos by Miss Louise Murray and Mrs. W. H. Targgart, who were accompanied by Miss Grace Watkins, added much to the program. Hon. Fred O. Olsen, Mayor, brought greetings for the city, expressing his belief in total abstinence and his sympathy in our work. Hon. A. R. Bergesen, states attorney, in a strong address, declared law enforcement will never rise beyond the level of local opinion. Lack of cooperation on the part of citizens hinders the work.

"The Proof of the Pudding"—a panel discussion on the effects of repeal, was cleverly staged by Mrs. J. R. Owens and Misses Evelyn Westlund, Jessie Hill and Violette Very. Mrs. Baker was heard with much interest in the concluding address as she enumerated our responsibilities. Children are our most precious possession. "Keep to the safe path, daddy, I am coming after you" says the boy. Among conditions which led our national officers to devise the Five-Year, Five-Point Plan, Mrs. Baker named the decline of spirituality, the prevalence of the liquor traffic, the thickening of war clouds, explaining our five objectives. A splendid tribute was paid Miss Bertha R. Palmer, now completing a ninety days seminar on Alcohol Education in the Training School at Evanston, teaching those who, in their turn will go out to teach teachers how to teach this most important subject. There never was a time when sober, sane thinking was more needed than now.

Executive Session

Friday morning the executive committee met for a business session, Mrs. C. E. Soderholm, New Rockford, leading devotions. The joint invitation from the Grand Forks and Grand Forks Scandinavian unions to hold our next state convention in their city was accepted with a hearty vote of thanks. State officers, secretaries, directors and district presidents presented reports. Mrs. Nellie M. Cross, state director Publicity, gave a most impressive reading—"Easter Never-Ending" by Zelia Walters. Mrs. Baker again brought words of cheer and encouragement.

Miss Herrington's Itinerary

Enroute to Fargo, our busy Y. T. C. secretary spoke at Bismarck to 700 students in high school, using a local broadcast system. At Jamestown, 800 students in Junior and Senior high schools were reached. At Valley City, Miss Herrington addressed junior and senior groups in high school; the Woman's Home Missionary Society and a group of college Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. At Fargo she spoke to an assembly in the Dakota Business College. In all some 1800 were reached with her strong message.

Mrs. Bordwell's Work

While in attendance at the mid-year meeting, Mrs. E. S. Bordwell, our state L. T. L. secretary spoke to 200 pupils in the lower grades of the Emerson H. Smith school, Mrs. Sadie Walker, principal. At the Hawthorne school, Miss Ivy Brandt, principal, assembled the fourth, fifth and sixth grades to hear Mrs. Bordwell's message.

—E. H. W.

Ask interested people outside the W. C. T. U. for contributions to the Centenary Fund.

DEVOTIONAL

Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me,
All His wonderful passion and purity.
O Thou Spirit Divine, all my nature
refine
"Till the beauty of Jesus is seen in me.

Let the sweetness of Jesus be seen
in me,
All His tender compassion and
sympathy.
O Thou Spirit Divine, all my nature
refine,
"Till the sweetness of Jesus be seen
in me.

Let the calmness of Jesus be seen
in me,
All His quietness, peace and tran-
quility,
O Thou Spirit Divine, all my nature
refine,
"Till the calmness of Jesus be seen
in me.

Let the truth of the Master be seen
in me,
All His deep understanding and
honesty.
O Thou Spirit Divine, all my nature
refine,
"Till the truth of the Master be
seen in me.

Let the love of the Master be seen
in me,
All His wonderful joy and sincerity.
O Thou Spirit Divine, all my nature
refine,
"Till the love of the Master be seen
in me.

(Miss Mildred Hewes and Miss
Augustine, when driving from Califor-
nia to Iowa added these verses to the
original first verse.—Georgia Bul-
letin.)

IT WORKS WONDERS

Some years ago, says the Public
Ledger, a lady who tells the story
herself, went to consult a famous
physician about her health. She was
a woman of nervous temperament,
whose troubles—and she had many—
had worried and excited her to such
a pitch that the strain threatened her
physical strength and even her reason.
She gave the doctor a list of
her symptoms, and answered the
questions, only to be astonished at the
brief prescription: "Madam, what you
need is to read your Bible more."

"But, doctor," began the bewildered
patient. "Go home and read your Bible
an hour a day," the great man
reiterated, with kindly authority.
"Then come back to me a month from
today." And he bowed her out with-
out a possibility of further protest.
At first his patient was inclined to be
angry. Then she reflected that, at
least, the prescription was not an ex-
pensive one. Besides, it certainly
had been a long time since she had
read the Bible regularly, she reflected
with a pang of conscience. World-
ly cares had crowded out her prayer
and Bible study for years, and though
she would have resented being called
an irreligious woman, she had un-
doubtedly become a most careless
Christian. She went home and set
herself conscientiously to try the
physician's remedy. In one month
she went back to his office. "Well,"
he said, smiling, as he looked at her
face. "I see you are an obedient pa-
tient, and have taken my prescription
faithfully. Do you feel as if you
needed any other medicine now?"

"No, doctor, I feel like a different
person. But how did you know this
was just what I needed?" For an-
swer, the famous physician turned to
his desk. There, worn and marked,
lay an open Bible.

"Madam" he said, with deep earn-
estness, "if I were to omit my daily

reading of this book I should lose my
greatest source of strength and skill.
I never go to an operation without
reading my Bible.

"I never attend a distressing case
without finding help in its pages.
Your case called not for medicine but
for a source of peace and strength
outside your own mind and I showed
you my own prescription. I knew
it would cure." "Yet, I confess doc-
tor," said the patient, "that I came
very near not taking it." The physi-
cian has died but his prescription re-
mains. It will do no one any harm to
try it.

—The Christian Publishing Co.

NATIONAL VOICE ACCEPTS CHALLENGE

In a sensational editorial attack
upon the dry forces of the country,
Tap & Tavern, Pennsylvania liquor
journal, last week challenged the Na-
tional Voice, oldest dry weekly in Am-
erica, to an editorial debate on the
liquor question.

Believing that the arguments on
the liquor question are "all on the
dry side," The National Voice ac-
cepted the challenge in this manner:
TO THE EDITORS AND READERS

OF TAP & TAVERN:

"You are wet. You believe in
the sale of intoxicating beverage.
We are dry, because we be-
lieve that alcohol is a habit-
forming drug, a narcotic and a
depressant, that it steals the
brains of man, and leaves in its
wake a trail of wrecked homes,
ruined lives, crushed bodies,
twisted brains, insanity, suicides
and murders.

We are willing to stand on the
record of prohibition, as com-
pared to this mad whisky age.

Because we believe that the ar-
guments on this question ARE
ALL ON OUR SIDE, we accept
the challenge of Tap & Tavern.

We invite you to reprint the
lead editorial from the National
Voice for a period of six weeks,
beginning with the editorial which
will appear next week, February
27.

In return, The National Voice
will reprint the lead editorial
from Tap & Tavern, beginning
with their issue of the same date,
editorials not to exceed 500 words
in length.

Editors of the National Voice
are willing to face the facts and
let the readers be the judges. Let
it be a debate of issue, not of per-
sonalities, of facts, not subter-
fuge."

The National Voice, beginning with
the issue of March 5, will reprint the
six editorials from the Pennsylvania
liquor journal, with an analysis and
reply to each of these wet articles.

A CALL FOR LEADERS

SEEK AND YE SHALL FIND

Oh, Where Are the Leaders
(Tune: Chorus of "Oh, Where are
the Reapers")
Oh, where are the leaders? Oh, who
will come

To help in the work of the Christian
home?

Oh, who will help us to teach and
train

The boys and girls clear minds to
gain?

Oh, where are the leaders to guard
our youth

And start their feet in the paths of
truth?

Oh, who will teach them to know the
right

And walk in the sober paths of light?
Find Your Leaders For L. T. L.

The lack of leaders is the weak
point in the plan of organization for

the Loyal Temperance Legion. We
have reached thousands of boys and
girls with temperance teaching, but
to advance the program we need lead-
ers.

Get Your Leaders

Children should be taught the
truth about the effects of alcohol be-
verages; knowledge of what alcohol
does to the mind and body is the
greatest shield we can put between
youth and the liquor traffic. Leaders
are wanted who will, through teach-
ing and guidance, help boys and girls
choose to carry the shield of personal
total abstinence.

How To Find Leaders

We cannot order leaders from a
catalog, or purchase them in a de-
partment store; neither can we afford
to wait until someone offers her
services for this work. The method that
brings the greatest response from the
could be and would be leaders is
to enlist them through personal work.

Find More Leaders for L. T. L.

—The Outlook, Rhode Island.

ALCOHOL DEATHS GAIN 533.3% IN CONFIDEN- TIAL MEDICAL SURVEY

There is a widespread suppression
of fact by the medical profession,
which would reflect upon the charac-
ter of the deceased, and for this rea-
son, death from alcoholism and social
disease are far more prevalent than
mortality statistics reveal. This is
the conclusion drawn from records
just published by the American Pub-
lic Health Association of New York.

Purpose of the survey, which in-
cluded an investigation of 5,289
deaths, was to show the advisability
of a central statistical office for death
records which would not go through
the hands of local residents or be
available to them.

Confidential reports gathered from
physicians, compared with original
statements as to causes of death, re-
vealed a startling increase in the num-
ber of deaths from syphilis and alco-
holism, for the reason that doctors
seek to protect the deceased and their
families from the disgrace of having
friends and neighbors know the real
causes of death.

The number of deaths increas-
ed 533.3 per cent in the group
in which alcoholism or alcoholic
cirrhosis of the liver was the origi-
nal primary cause, as reported
by private physicians, when the
confidential reports were com-
pared with the original records.—Voice.

I AM DRY, BONE DRY

By Guy Edward Mark, D. D.

Because I have known unborn ba-
bies to be cursed through booze; little
children to starve because of booze;
young people to be stunted for life
through booze; gifted women to be-
come imbeciles through booze; lead-
ers in industry to become beggars in
the street because of booze; wedding
rings to be sold for booze; every ar-
ticle of furniture to be pawned for
booze; fortunes to be squandered for
booze; girls to become prostitutes
through booze; boys to become crim-
inals through booze; women to be
hanged because of booze; men to go
to the electric chair because of booze;
because of all the foregoing I am bone
dry.

Because I have never known booze
to contribute to the happiness of a
single child, or to the mental ability
of a single young person, or to the
moral uplift of a single middle-aged
person, or to the comfort and blessed-
ness of a single old person, I am bone
dry.

Why shouldn't I be dry, bone dry?
—"The Watchman-Examiner."

PART OF OUR WORK

"Let's try to get some kindergar-
tens opened in our city," said the lo-
cal President.

The group looked at each other in
bewilderment. The President had just
been urging them to concentrate their
efforts on W. C. T. U. projects.

"The little children should be our
first concern," continued the Presi-
dent, earnestly. "The kindergarten
gives our boys and girls a chance to
judge issues. They learn there to
make choices and to judge the wis-
dom of some of the choices they have
made; to take responsibility; to be
both self-reliant and still coopera-
tive; to feel the weight of public
opinion in their little group without
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very important part of our work."

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Florence Jane Owens.

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of trouble is not a way out so much
as a way of high and manly living
within.

—Sir Wilmott Lewis.

"When anchors faith has cast
Are dragging in the gale,
I am quietly holding fast
To the things which cannot fail."
—Gladden.

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