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SHE DID NOT VOTE

"He talked of right and talked of wrong, Of duty talked he loud and long;

He criticized all known neglect. He asked, 'What can we all expect?'

But failed to go and vote! He talked of laws both good and bad, What he would do if he but had The rule of things, and show the way To bring about a better day

But did not go and vote!

"She talked of troubles in the land, Of those who ruled, and took her stand

Against the wrong and for the right; Saw coming storm and darkening night.

But-careless-did not vote! She stayed at home and talked of laws:

Or she went shopping, calling, too And told what leaders all should do-But, oh, she did not vote!"

-Cora Ivans Dunham.

MRS. ANDERSON'S MES-SAGE

Dear Comrades:

One of the greatest dangers in the campaign to defeat the hard liquor bill is overconfidence. Because we have won by increasing majorities in the three preceding votes taken against hard liquor, we are inclined to think victory this time is certain, that our vote and that of our neighbors does not matter much. Remember nothing is certain until the votes are counted and every vote is of vital importance.

In the 47 years of our history as a state, our people have come through many trying experiences,-crop failures, grasshoppers, rust, drouth and depression. They have talked little about these things but have gone on their way with a quiet dignity, good cheer and a real heroism that would be difficult to match. One of the reasons for this is that we have a sober people. Liquor first breaks down character and morale. Not a drop of hard liquor has ever been legally sold in the state of North Dakota! What a glorious history! It is our sacred duty and privilege not only to maintain this record but to lead the other states of the Union back to sobriety and sanity.

I am not unmindful of the fact that there is one stain upon our record and that is the legalization of the sale of beer. It is also under cover of the beer parlors that we have most of the illegal sale of hard liquor. This stain must be removed in time but our present fight is to defeat the hard liquor bill June 24. There are those who say: "Hard liquor is sold anyway, why not legalize it and get the revenue?" If we legalize an evil and take revenue from it, we are partners in the business. God's word declares: "Woe unto them that call evil good

Get Out The Dry Vote

AT PRIMARY ELECTION

June 24

VOTE "NO"

DEFEAT THE HARD LIOUOR BILL

and good evil, WHICH JUSTIFY | who perhaps entrusted her son to the THE WICKED FOR A REWARD."

There are those who say: "It can't be worse." Nothing is farther from the truth. It is infinitely worse in states where the sale of hard liquor is legalized. On our trip to and from the west coast, Mr. Anderson and I visited ten states in all of which, with the exception of Oklahoma and Kansas, hard liquor is legally sold. We saw more drinking and more drunkenness than we have seen in 40 years of prohibition in North Dakota. Repeal of the 18th Amendment brought into power a liquor business that is infinitely worse than that of the old saloon days.

Through modern methods of advertising, by radio and current magazines, it enters every home. Through motion pictures it makes its appeal to every child. It is bidding in a most subtle and alluring way for the youth and the women of our land. A distinguished insurance expert makes the statement that while the increase in drinking among people between thirty and forty-five years of age is only 3 percent, the increase in drinking among young people under thirty years of age is 149 per cent! Los Angeles has seen an increase in drunken women of 178 per cent.

Los Angeles is probably no worse than other cities. This is an indica-tion of what is going on all over this country. Think what this means for the children, for the homes and for the future of this nation. Over half of the bartenders in this country today are young women. We saw them repeatedly dealing out "liquid damnation" to young men in the uniform of the United States Navy. We saw one young woman trying to defend herself from one of her customers. While we were in Long Beach, a boy, after drinking, lay down in an alley to sleep. A car turned into the alley and the young life was crushed out. Some mother's boy! Some mother

service of his country thinking he would be under the protection of this great and good government.

Dr. Roy Smith told of a high school boy in Los Angeles who went to his teacher begging him to do something to save his drunken mother. He told also of a young girl who was found wandering about the streets until three o'clock in the morning and when asked why she did not go home, re-plied with sobs that she could not face a drunken mother and father. This is a glimpse of what is going on in the states where the sale of hard liquor is legalized. Do we want to see such conditions in our beloved state? Are we awake to the danger: I believe there is no effort, no sacrifice too great for us to make in order to defeat the hard liquor bill.

We ought to defeat it with a major ity so great that the next legislature will not dare, as did the last one, to attempt to cram such a measure down our throats. The members of the legislature, who voted for this measure, against the thrice express-ed will of the people, should be re-tired to private life. They are unsafe leaders. Find out how the senator and representatives from your district voted and deal with them accordingly. There are politicians in our state so corrupt that they fear neither God nor man but they do fear VOTES. There are enough God-fearing men and women in North Dakota to carry this and every election if they wake up, unite and go to the polls and vote.

Repeal of the 18th Amendment was accomplished by a vote of less than one-fourth of the voters of the United States. The other three-fourths who are being awakened by the unspeakable conditions repeal has brought will put it back into the Constitution and it will be there to stay. Yours for that day.

Elizabeth Preston Anderson.

THE SONG OF THE BALLOT

This is the song of the ballot, Mighty as Merlin's rod.

For hus mylic

That works the will of the hosts of hell

As well as the will of God-This is the song it singeth:

"I make you a promise fair I'll keep my part with the men who

act Whatever their creed or prayer!"

O, huge is the power of the ballot That comes to the hands of men

To lift the earth to a higher worth, Or batter it down again: But many good people know it not,

Nor use it as their own While wrong and sin have gathered it in

To work for them alone.

Then hail to your magic ballot,

- Now in this fateful hour! We fight for truth in the voting booth, Invoking our sovereign power,
- nd here's to the man or woman Who worketh your spell aright,

That out of a crass and sordid ma May rise God's truth and light! -Logan Hall in Epworth Herald.

CAST YOUR VOTE

(Tune-Chorus of Jingle Bells) Cast your vote-cast your vote On election day,

Never yield this grand old state To liquor's awful sway.

Join the fight for the right,

Keep her dry alway,

Don't forget to cast your vote And vote just like you pray.

(Sing this at all your meetings. Work and pray and we'll keep North Dakota dry.-Editor.)

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP

Mrs. Grant M. Hudson, our newly elected national director, suggests that we all enter this year "the doorway of good citizenship." In her new Plan of Work she gives these ideals: A good citizen knows the laws, obeys the laws, helps others to obey

the laws. A good citizen is responsible for ocial and industrial conditions.

A good citizen upholds the courts. A good citizen demands clean press. A good citizen is against gambling

in every form. A good citizen is intelligent con-

cerning taxes. A good citizen studies the platform

of the various political parties. A good citizen desires foreign-born

residents to know and understand the ideal of his country.

A good citizen is active in elections. A good citizen feels his individual responsibility.

When we put principle above party, and take our citizenship seriously and prayerfully, our country, this United States of America, will indeed be the country for whose ideals our forefa-thers laid down their lives.

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GRAND FORKS INVITES STATE CONVENTION

Fargo.

We have been very happy to accept the kind invitation of the unions at Grand Forks for our 47th annual convention. The date is a little earlier than usual-September 17-20-but is set that we may have the pleasure of securing our National President, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith as guest of honor and convention speaker. Mrs. Smith is visiting the conventions of our sister states, Minnesota and South Dakota, and dates must be made accordingly.

"Brain service can be bought, lip service can be hired, physical service can be contracted for, but heart service is the kind you pay in the coin of appreciation, kindness, and considera-tion."

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Co-Workers:

I trust that you ARE working these Let our slogan be-"Get out davs. the vote on June 24". Drunkenness and traffic accidents have increased in every state since Repeal. Alcoholic patients in our own state Hospital for the Insane have increased at an alarming rate since beer was legalized. The following authentic figures have been secured: In 1930, there were 5; in 1931, 14; 1932, 19; 1933, 21; 1934 50 and 1935, 66 men and one woman! Is this the handwriting on the wall?

Make a survey of your local records to ascertain the increase in arrests for drunkenness since beer was legalized and then estimate how much greater the increase will be should hard liquor become legal. The time to get infor-mation to our voters is NOW— the source of supplies is our own state Headquarters at Fargo or the office of the Consolidated Drys. The increase in drinking among our young people and women is deplorable. With hard liquor legalized it would be infinitely worse. Who is responsible? Don't say "They"—it is "We". What are you doing to improve conditions? Even shut-ins and invalids may

have a big part in this campaign as they pray for the defeat of the hard liquor bill to be voted on June 24 at the primary election. Angelo Patri says: "The time to be sorry about a catastrophe is before it happens. Human behavior is none too good even with the brain in good working order and the mind clear and at its keenest. None of us can afford to lessen our power by the least degree." Let us get across to our young people and adults the real harm of alcohol, even in one glass of beer, and the fact that alcohol has mined many fine "ships' craftsmanship — sportsmanship,

friendship and citizenship. I am just starting on a ten-days trip into the southwestern part of our state and shall be busy until election time. We are grateful for our gain of 156 new members, though we hoped for more. I congratulate the ten Ruths and the 45 or more Gleaners. Mrs. Buck has given us much inspiration and help, gaining new memworthwhile bers and making many worthwhile contacts. We still hope for some new unions as a result of her work. We welcome back to the state our beloved honorary president, Mrs. Anderson, and are glad that she can represent North Dakota at the National convention at Tulsa.

These are busy days for us all but let us work and pray and lay claim on God's promises.

With love, Mrs. Fred M. Wanner.

IMPORTANT EMERGENCY ANNOUNCEMENT

A NATION-WIDE PRE-CONVEN-TION BROADCAST by Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, National President of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, through the courtesy of the Columbia Broadcasting Company, offered to every Columbia Station in the United States, has just been set for Monday, June 8. Please note date and time careful-

ly

MONDAY, JUNE 8, 4:45 P. M. to 5:00 P. M. EASTERN DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME.

(Be sure to check this by your lo-cal time so as to find out what is the equivalent hour in your state and city.)

Please note in this connection:

1. Acceptance of the broadcast in any case is entirely up to the decision of the individual station. As many as possible advance requests for this broadcast should be sent immediately to the station nearest your home. This is a matter of fairness to your local station, which can only decide the non-commercial features of its program for any particular day. on

the basis of known interest. THEREFORE ASK YOUR CO-LUMBIA STATION TO CARRY THIS ADDRESS.

In advertising to your area it would seem best to refer only to the basic time of the broadcast, namely 4.45 to 5:00 P. M. Eastern Daylight Saving time, and its equivalent in terms of the time in your area.

Remember that with the cooperation of temperance friends everywhere this nation-wide broadcast may bring the latest truth about the liquor question to millions who would not otherwise hear it in church or temperance meetings.

As a matter of simple courtesy, letters of appreciation to Columbia Broadcasting System, Madison Ave., New York City, for their authorizing this broadcast over their system are perfectly in order.

RUTHS AND GLEANERS

Since our report last month, we are glad to present additional names of those who have won these honors:

RUTHS: Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson; Mrs. J. M. Holcomb, Jamestown; Mrs. Helen Buck Mc-Larty, Cando; Mrs. Joseph L. Kelley, Bismarck.

GLEANERS: Mrs. A. V. Sheppard, (2), Mrs. H. Mynster and Mrs. M. J. Quarum all of Grand Forks Scandi-navian; Mrs. Theo. Strandness, Mrs. J. E. Dickson, Larimore; Mrs. H. D. Mack, Mrs. K. Rosene, Dickey; Mrs. P. O. Sathre, Mrs. Chas. Liessman, Bismarck; Mrs. V. J. Baldwin, Mrs. August Hanson, Mrs. Julia Nelson and Mrs. H. P. Halverson of Fargo Scandinavian; Mrs. H. R. Senecal, Calvin; Mrs. Clarence W. Lee, Stady; Mrs. H. S. Robinson and Mrs. O. Severtson, Zahl; Miss Effie Walch and Mrs. H. B. Walch, Reeder; Mrs. Geo. Blixt and Mrs. A. W. Johnson, Pros-per; Mrs. N. R. Heinzen, Plaza.

We reported to our National corresponding secretary, Mrs. Anna Mar-den DeYo-Ten Ruths, forty-five Gleaners and 156 new members secured before May 1st. which date closed the national campaign. Some of the above have been secured since that date. Our state campaign still goes on and all Ruths and Gleaners will be honored at the state convention at Grand Forks in September.

TEN RULES FOR SAFE DRIV-ING

1. Concentrate on driving. Most accidents are the result of inattention. 2. Drive with a firm grip on the wheel. In traffic and at intersections

have your foot ready for the brake. 3. Keep your brakes, lights, horn, and steering mechanism in good working order.

4. Don't pass on hills, curves, inter-sections or when another car is dangerously near.

5. Thoroughly understand the mechanical changes in your present car so that you can use them safely.

6. Use intelligible hand signals Your stop light is not enough.

7. Govern your speed by the condition of the weather and the road. Always plan your trip so it will not be

necessary to hurry. 8. Don't endanger lives to "get ev-en" with another driver. 9. Obey traffic signals and the

rules of the road.

10. Don't permit any one to touch the wheel while under the influence of liquor .- Hartford Accident and Indemnity Co.

More men fail through lack of pur-

pose than through lack of talent. -W. A. Sunday.

CONVENTION CONSOLI-DATED DRYS

The third annual convention of the North Dakota Consolidated Drys was held at Bismarck May 5, to plan a campaign against the sale of hard liquor in the state when the question comes before the voters at the primary election June 24. Greetings and pledges of support and cooperation were received from the United Breth-ren, the W. C. T. U., the Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist, Lutheran, Congregational, Adventist and Evangel-ical churches.

Dr. James E. Cox, who presided, was renamed president, Rev. G. O. Parish, Valley City, vice president, Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, Fargo, secretary and Rev. H. L. Weiss, treasurer. Other members of executive commit-tee are Rev. David Stoeve, Fargo; Rev. F. E. Logee, Bismarck; Mrs. F. M. Wanner, Jamestown; Rev. J. H. Rhodes and Prof. B. C. Tighe, Fargo. Resolutions adopted urged de-feat of the hard liquor measure referred to vote of the people: demanded re-enactment of the measure prohibiting dancing where beer is sold, stricter law enforcement and reduc-tion in the illicit sale of liquor and called for the record of how legislators voted on the municipal liquor act.

Rev. C. G. Olson, Fargo, was named campaign manager to direct the work of defeating the hard liquor measure. Mr. J. I. Carter, field worker for the Drys, reported over 10.000 persons had attended the presentation of the drama—Prisoner at the Bar. Rev. Robert Nance, field representa-tive National Christian Endeavor, was the chief speaker at the banquet. Mr Nance led the young people of Kansas in the probibition victory in that state and through his efforts the young people of our state are being organ-ized. Buttons to be worn by the children in the campaign asking the voter to "Please Vote DRY for me" are available at the State W. C. T. U. Headquarters at Fargo.

Dr. Cox paid his respects to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and their national worker, Mrs. Buck, in the state for eight weeks. He asserted that the drys have a definite majority if they can get the voters to the polls. The prospect for victory is improved by the fact that the liquor crowd is divided. Those with beer licenses will oppose this act be-cause it will give them legalized com-No political faction or leadpetition. er will dare to support the measure.

Seven times in four years the Drys have been on the firing line, have won four victories and suffered two defeats, the latter being the repeal of the prohibition clause in the state constitution and the act legalizing the sale of beer. Both wets and drys are dissatisfied with the measure as the wets can make no money from it. and the drys will not be properly protected by its provisions.

In the political field, Dr. Cox saw great possibilities for building up political machines in the cities which would "tie in with state machines and thus make the people subservient to a liquor controlled political group." "Can you imagine what would happen under this set-up in Bismarck, Mandan, Fargo and other cities of the state? Is there a more corrupt political machine than that built around liquor?" asked Dr. Cox.

The fines and jail sentences in this bill are so drastic that Dr. Cox de-clared "no jury would convict under them and hence the law would be vitiated, opening the way for wholesale violations." The Drys oppose hard liquor for moral reasons, and other causes for their opposition are merely an addition to the main pooint. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union is truly grateful for the strong lead-ership of Dr. Cox and other members of the organization.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

April 16-May 16, 1936 -Fargo Scand. 16; Larimore DITES 23: Niagara 3: Grand Forks 4: Jamestown 7; Fargo 9; Steele 10; Cando 11; Sheldon 2; Cooperstown 1; Beach 9; Crosby 1; Glover 2; Hettinger 2; Northwood 6; Reeder 16; Park River 3; Powers Lake 15; Edinburg 7; Gre-nora 16; Oakes 5; Bismarck 15; Ray 1; Stanley 2; Grand Forks Scand. 3; Underwood 3; Hatton 7; Sheldon L. T. L. 30.

WILLARD MEMBERS-Mrs. O. R. Anderson, Hansboro; Mrs. M. O. Wallum, Lakota; Mrs. Anna Hagen, Mrs. Edna Ryan, Mrs. Cleve Mortenson, Mrs. H. J. Hansen, Landa; Mrs. A. G. Vivian, Mrs. D. McGilvray, Mrs. E. L. Coe, Mrs. W. T. Mum, Westhope; Mrs. Geo. A. Johnson, Edmore; Mrs. A. V. McCormack, Des Lacs; Mrs. J. R. Soltis, Foxholm; Mrs. C. C. Feely, Mrs. Grace W. Piper, Lansford.

Mrs. Grace W. Piper, Lanstord. BUDGET-Niagara comp. \$3.00; Grafton 2.00; Fairdale comp. 10.00; Jamestown 7.00; Fargo 2.50; Beach 5.00; Edinburg comp. 13.00; Ray 5.00; Grand Forks Scand. 20.00; Underwood 7 00

WILLARD CENTENARY-Sheldon paid in full, \$3.00; Niagara 2.00; Fair-dale 3.00; Makoti 10.00; Cooperstown 5.15; Crosby 10.00; Powers Lake 2.00; Alamo 2.10; Steele 6.00; Stanley 2.10; Grand Forks Scand. 10.00; Stady-Zahl 10.00; Gilby 5.00; George M Black 20.00.

STATE REPORTS- Fairdale 2; Larimore 3.

Fruitful	Uni	ion

Alamo		Larimore
Bismarck		Northwood
Cando		Oakes
Crosby		Park River
Epping		Plaza
Fairdale		Reeder
Fairmount	t .	Sharon
Grand For	ks Scand.	Stady-Zahl
Hannah		Steele

Apportionment by districts of the Frances Willard Centenary Educational fund follows:

Devils Lake \$120.00; New Rock-ford \$90.00; Bottineau, \$15.00; Minot ford \$90.00; Bottineau, \$15.00; Minot \$240.00; Northwest \$200.00; Dickin-son, \$90.00; South Central \$20.00; Hettinger \$45.00; Bismarck \$75.00; James Valley \$150.00; Ransom-La-Moure \$120.00; Ellendale \$50.00; Fargo \$600.00; Grand Forks \$240.00; Northeast \$225.00; Richland \$60.00.

These apportionments are based on the membership at the rate of \$1.50 per member for the five year period or 30 cents per year for each member. It is, however, very desirous that the whole sum be paid before the end of the five years, in 1939, that projects undertaken by National and State organizations may go forward.

It was expected that each district president would apportion to her unions their quota on basis above. Some have done well but as far as reported to us, only one

SHELDON

in the Ransom-LaMoure district, has gone over the top, in paying its full quota. We shall be glad to report others as soon as money is received. Who will be the next?

Sincerely yours Mrs. R. B. Reed, Treasurer. 1341-11th Ave. No. Fargo, N. D.

JUNE

"June is such a month of Joy, The flowers, and birds and trees all show it:

And aren't you glad that you and I, With all these other glad things, know it?"

He that hath truth on his side is a fool as well as a coward if he is afraid to own it because of other men's opinions.

IF A WOMAN DRINKS" By John A. Crabb, M. D.

"It's nobody's business if I drink." We hear this statement over and over by people who drink and who think that when their drinking is restricted their rights are being infringed upon.

If you will just take the time to read this short story of Herbert Palmer, of 914 Vine Street, Topeka, you cannot help but see the other side of the situation and possibly may change your view.

On the evening of June 18, 1933, Herbert Palmer, aged 54, was walking home leading his little 4-year-old boy by the hand. Two cars were approaching from the north, both go-ing south on the right side of the The driver of the rear car was slab. a drunk woman. She attempted to pass the front car but turned entirely off the slab and struck Herbert Palmer. She broke both bones of his right leg in two places below the protruding knee, the fragments protruding through the skin. He was taken to a hospital where he had to lie on his back with both legs under constant tension for many weeks. His suffering and anguish are indescribable. At times his suffering was unbearable. and he would become delirious. Death would have been a sweet relief.

I ask you, was it Herbert Palmer's business if that woman was drinking?

He has a wife and four children under six years old. What chance do these little children have in life? Te it any of their business if that woman was drinking?

Faithful doctors and surgeons gave constant service night and day for months with no hope of reward except the joy of relieving distress and the gratitude of the poor. Is it any of their business if that woman was drinking?

The hospital warmed and fed and nursed him for months at its own cash expense. It it any of the hospital's business if that woman was drinking?

The country has to furnish house, food and fuel for Herbert and his family.

The state furnished an institution in which to keep this woman and warmed, fed and entertained her while she remained there. It it the taxpay-ers' business if this woman was She was paroled in three drinking? months and has been free to go and do as she will but her victim has not yet walked a step-not even with crutches and it has been more than nine months.

If you would only realize the terrible tragedies that spring from strong drink the oft-repeated doggerel, "It is nobody's business if I drink," would sound to you like a hollow mockery and would die on your lips before you would utter it again .- Topeka State Journal. (From White Ribbon News).

WORKERS TOGETHER WITH US

The coming of our friend and comrade, Mrs. Necia E. Buck, now a national organizer, has been a great blessing to the state. At this writing, Mrs. Buck is going on her victorious way, waking sleeping unions, enthusing active ones, introducing alcohol education into the schools, addressing church congregations and helping in district conventions.

Everywhere she has gained new members, explained the Centenary program and stressed the great need for defeating the hard lique bill at the primary election, proving conclusively that Repeal is a failure where it has been tried. Mrs. Buck will complete her eight weeks with us and coward if he is complete her eight weeks with us and fare at the home of Mrs. G. L. An-cause of other leave for the national convention at — derson, the president, Mrs. A. V. —Daniel DeFoe, Tulsa June 8 and the blessing and Sheppard explaining the origin of

"IT IS NOBODY'S BUSINESS best wishes of her North Dakota comrades will accompany her.

> We are fortunate in securing the services of Miss Dora H. Young of Valley city, a graduate of the Training School at Evanston, for work in our state summer schools, June 22-July 10. Miss Young has been critic teacher demonstrator, member of a college faculty and assistant county superintendent of schools. She prosents her subject in a clear, logical manner, has a happy enthusiastic personality, is progressive in spirit and a good organizer. She will teach our teachers how to present Alcohol Education in the latest, scientific man ner

> It gives us additional pleasure to announce that Miss Bertha R. Palmer, our national director of Alcohol Education, will be with us for a few days in July when she will address the Ministers' Interdenominational Institute at Jamestown and the summer school session at the State University at Grand Forks.

Great gifts can be given by little hands.

Since of all gifts love is still the best. -Adelaide A. Procter. KEELEY CURE REPORTS IN-

CREASE OF PATIENTS

A continuous upward trend of patients received at the Keeley Cure Institute at Dwight, Illinois, was reported in an official statement furnished to the National Enquirer. "The first three months of this year show-an increase of 25 per cent as compared with the first three months of last year," said the statement in part.

A mounting number of women pa-tients also was reported, while the middle-aged men and women constitute the largest percentage of those under treatment. 67 per cent being between thirty and fifty, and 18 per cent between fifty and sixty. The Enquirer comments editorially

that the very young would not be ex pected to "monopolize the role of the confirmed drunkard," since the acquirement of such a habit takes time. On the other hand, "men do not usually become confirmed drunkards in their old age and as a rule if they arrive at that stage in middle-life and continue in it, they do not live into the seventies, eighties and nineties." The Union Signal.

Greatness consists not in holding some high office;

Greatness really consists in doing some great deed with little means, in the accomplishment of vast purposes from the private ranks of life .-- Russell Conwell's "Acres of Diamonds."

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Northwood held a May Day party, entertaining new members. For these one table was reserved, centered with roses with names of new members at? tached. Mrs. S. O. Nelson conducted the initiatory service and crowned as May Queen Mrs. O. J. Oswald, who has secured 10 new members. A very interesting program was presented.

This enterprising union also held essay and poster contests in high school and seventh and eighth grades, giving five cash prizes in each group, for the posters, which were exceptionally fine. At the Medal contest, Beverly Simonson won first place, at which time, in the United Lutheran church, posters were displayed and

GRAND FORKS SCANDINAVIAN observed Mother's Day and Child Wel-

Mother's Day. In memory of departed mothers, Mrs. E. H. Gunhus read "A Tribute to My Mother". Charles Sheppard, the twelve year old son of the president, sang, "The Queen of My Heart is Mother."

Mrs. Geo. Teige, local director, was in charge of the Child Welfare part of the program while the state director, Mrs. R. A. Sprague, dedicated the following white ribbon recruits: Donna Lee Anderson, Patricia Lou and Harriet Louise Hanson, Jack, Dale and Vergil LaFon, Frederick Dean and Alsa Gwendolyn Sando and Gloria Yvone Rude. Mrs. Minchinton read, "The Influence of One Good Mo-ther," Donna Lee, Ruth Quarum and Helen Minchinton sang and Mrs. John Sandbeck assisted in serving.

BOWESMONT held a silver medal contest May 18, Dr. J. G. Moore presiding. The contests reflected much credit on their teacher, Miss Wanda Young, who had trained them. The judges awarded the medal to Rosanna Stellon while memory books were presented to the others. Special musical numbers by the winners in the county music contest were enjoyed.

Mrs. Wesley Willey is new presi-dent of the Oakes union.

NEW L. T. L's. Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, district president, recently organized at Prosper a flourishing L. T. L. in which three schools are represent-She was accompanied by Mrs. L. ed. A. Runestrand of Fargo who sang. Leaders in the different schools are Mmes. Geo. Rust, Charles Rust and Mary Waa. Jean Chamberlin is president, Ralph Larson, vice president, June Rust, secretary and Duane Rust, treasurer.

Mrs. H. J. Perry, associate state secretary of the L. T. L. has also organized at Hillsboro an L. T. L. of 30 members who sang at the recent district convention there.

The Divide County Welfare Board, of which our Mrs. C. W. Lee is a member, adopted a resolution whereby conviction for drunkenness will by conviction for drameness with automatically strike a client's name from the relief rolls and any one spending money for liquor will re-ceive from the Board little, if any, assistance.

BUTTONS-"Please Vote Dry for Me" are being sent to local unions and these should be given at once to the children to wear until primary election. If you have no L. T. L., give them to children in Sunday schools and Daily Vacation schools but get them in use at once.

Mrs. E. C. Watkins, our state director Flower Mission and Relief, has returned from California where she spent the winter and may be addressed at Detroit Lakes, Minn., or at Fargo as usual.

Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, president Fargo district, visited the union at Page, re-organizing it and securing members. Mrs. R. R. Brownlee is president.

While visiting the Gilby union, Mrs. Buck celebrated her birthday and was graciously remembered by our hos-pitable women—than which there are no better anywhere. The local president, Mrs. Muir, made a heart-warm-ing speech to the guest of honor away from home, while Mrs. J. W. Scott appeared with a lovely birth-day cake, gaily decorated, which had been baked by Mrs. Bye, and also presented a gift. It was a very hap-py occasion and the kindness of our Gilby comrades is appreciated by the state officers as well as by our friend,, Mrs. Buck.

Help To Get Out The Dry Vote.

THE DISTRICT MEET

Interesting and enthusiastic conventions are being reported from the districts and we regret that space will not permit fuller mention.

NORTHWEST. Williston entertained this progressive district May 4, 5. In the absence through illness of the president, Mrs. John Pehrson, the vice president, Mrs. Clarence W. Lee, presided and was elected president, Mrs. Pehrson having resigned. Mrs. Necia E. Buck, as guest speaker, was heard with much interest. The gold heard with much interest. The gold medal was won by Marjorie Carlson of Ray who read "The Price", while Mrs. W. G. Marshall, Grenora, who read, "A Voice from the Poorhouse" won first place in the Matron's contest. Attendance and interest were All unions but two were reprefine. sented. Crosby is again a banner union

MINOT. At Ryder, May 6, 7, this district held an enthusiastic convention of which a report has not yet reached us. Mrs. C. F. Truax, district president had returned from her western trip and presided.

BISMARCK. This district met in our state capital May 6, the president, Mrs. Pearl G. Wood, presiding. Special speakers were Dr. James E. Cox and Mrs. Fred M. Wanner. All unions were represented and much interest shown in the campaign ahead to defeat the hard liquor bill at the primary election June 24. All officers were re-elected.

DEVILS LAKE. At Calvin, May 8, this district met for its forty-third annual convention, Mrs. Elias Porter, district president, presiding. Mrs. Buck was warmly welcomed back to her own old district of which she was for so many years president. A banquet served by the hostess union was attended by many delegates and visitors. A round table discussion led by Mrs. Buck was helpful. At the evening session, Rev. H. R. Senecal led the worship service, Mrs. W. Logan read, "Memory's Garden" and Mrs. Orin Hall sang. Mrs. Buck gave the main Mrs. Jas. Taylor, Cando, address. was elected recording secretary. All other officers were re-elected.

JAMES VALLEY. This convention held at Jamestown May 11 was presided over by the president, Mrs. Lulu Wylie Zimmerman. Mrs. C. A. Landgren led devotion, Mrs. John Schmitt, local president, welcomed the delegates and Mrs. Eliza Craw-ford conducted the memorial service. A luncheon at noon and banquet in the evening were served. Delightful music was furnished by Mrs. Chas. Atherton and Mrs. G. O. Parish, Valley City; Miss Mary Huey, the Ladies choir and the Baptist Men's quartet of Jamestown. Mrs. Buck spoke on "Re-peal has Failed" and "Home Protec-tion Still our Goal". Mrs. Wanner stressed the need for defeating the hard liquor bill. Gthers appearing on the program were Mrs. T. P. Overby, Cooperstown; Dr. Bertha Brainard, Atty. John Hjellum, Rev. C. F. Strutz, D. O. Janson and Mrs. E. S. Rev Bordwell, Jamestown. Mrs. Eliza Crawford appeared before the convention with a very pleasant and most unexpected surprise. She announced that the old St. Cecelia Music Club of Cooperstown organized in the 80's by Mrs. David Bartlett was dissolved many years ago, leaving a small sum of money in the treasury. By careful investment this had grown to a few hundred dollars which was voted by the three remaining members of the

lett memorial members and the bal-ance will apply on the Centenary Fund for Alcohol Education. The recipients of this generous gift are deeply grateful to the donors. Mrs. M. D. Westley, Cooperstown, is the new president of the James Valley district. NEW ROCKFORD. Minnewaukan entertained the forty-second annual convention May 13, with C. E. Soderholm presiding and Mrs. Buck as guest of honor. Other speakers were Mrs. Colby, Sheyenne; Mrs. H. G. Hudson, New Rockford; Mrs. Louis Stickelberger, Oberon, Rev. C. M. Brown, New Rockford and C. F. Plummer, Minnewaukan. Mrs. Jennie Dysart, Esmond, conducted the memorial service. Rev. O. H. Elstad led the evening devotions and Mrs. Elstad in the afternoon. Mrs. H. G. Hudson was elected vice president and Mrs. Louis Stickelberger, treasurer, The other officers were reelected. Several new members were secured. New Rockford invited the convention for next year.

RANSOM-LAMOURE. In Dickey. May 15, the home town of the district president Mrs. J. A. Youngman and of the state director of Social Morality and Motion Pictures, Mrs. J. W. Frisbie, the thirty-sixth annual convention of this active district was held. Delegates were present from Edgeley, West Fairview, Sheldon and the local union. Mrs. Buck spoke on "Home Protection Still our Goal" and the church choir gave several selections. It was interesting to know that Mrs. Buck organized the Dickey union eleven years ago. Others appearing on the program were Mrs. W. H. Kadell, Edgeley, Mrs. Paul Hanson, Englevale and Mrs. Frisbie. Mem-bers of the new L. T. L. gave their songs and rally cries. All officers were re-elected.

GRAND FORKS. At Northwood, May 19, this wide-awake district met with the president, Mrs. Bessie M. The Darling presiding. recording secretary, Mrs. Geo. S. Muir, writes they had a wonderful day-just full of good things. Special praise was accorded the Northwood women, their district president and the guest of honor, Mrs. Buck. Mrs. Muir continues: "Miss M. Beatrice Johnstone, Mrs. Buck, Rev. Lasseson, Supt. Lindgren, Prof. Beck of the University and others stressed this June battle so much that I don't see how any at that convention can possibly fail to fight with the last breath that is in them to get out the dry vote." The evening program included a gold medal contest, a playlet, special music and Mrs. Buck's address.

Northwood and Grand Forks Scandinavian unions tied for the award offered by the district president for the best report of the year's work. Other unions' reports were fine and followed closely after. Mrs. A. V. Sheppard is the new vice president Mrs. Rasmus Lunseth, Grand and Forks, corresponding secretary. The other officers were re-elected,

FARGO. Hillsboro royally entertained the 48th annual convention May 21, the president, Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, presiding. All unions rep-resented gave fine reports. Mrs. C. E. Leslie, local president, led the opening devotions. The morning session was devoted to business. Mrs. Eina Aaker of the Hatton union, conducted the memorial service. Lunch and dinner were served by the Ladies Aid of the convention church-the Zion Lutheran. Mrs. Julia Thoreson led the afternoon devotions and Mrs. J. H. Potter in the evening. Mrs. C.

will make Mr. and Mrs. David Bart- by a ladies trio-Mmes. Hovde, Munter, and Rypka—and a solo by Rev. E. M. Egeland were enjoyed. In the evening a mixed chorus and the Boys' Glee Club gave a concert. Rev. O. J. Flagstad welcomed the dele gates for the churches, Supt. J. J. Elster for the schools and Mrs. Leslie for the local union. Mrs. Alice Johnson, Prosper, responded. Mrs. L. A. Runestrand, Fargo sang a soprano solo and Mrs. Buck gave the address. Mrs. C. E. Leslie, Hillsboro, was elected district vice president, Mrs. A. A. Kjelland, Mayville, vice president for Traill County and Mrs. D. Wenne-strom, Finley, for Steele county. All other officers were re-elected.

> HETTINGER. At Reeder. May 22. with the president, Miss Effie Walch presiding, this district held its convention with Mrs. Fred Wanner as guest speaker, but we have no report of the meeting at this time. The South Central district will meet at Temvik May 26 and the Northwest at Edinburg on the same date. Reports of these conventions will be given next month.

KID GLOVES OR BARE KNUCKLES?

By H. Phelps Gates

(Excerpts from a radio talk sponsored by The National Voice, and presented over several 50,000 watt stations.)

Benjamin Franklin once said, "The longer I live the more convincing proofs I see of this truth, that GOD governs in the affairs of man and if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without His aid? We have been assured in the Bible that "except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build." Here Here is consolation for dry leaders who view conditions of today with a sense of discouragement and hope-lessness. What Christian man or woman can say that the brewers and distillers are raising up their empire with the help of almighty God? Is the Lord helping the booze men to build up their temple of degradation, sin and sorrow?

No just cause ever dies. You may kill its advocates, you may drive them from power, but in the fullness of God's own time he raises up new advocates, new champions and new defenders. There is something about a great cause that grips the heart of man and links the cause to his very being. For every one who falls in its defense, a hundred spring to its rescue to carry aloft the torch of righteousness, nearer to the ultimate victory ever nearer the gate of the eternal city.

No just cause ever dies and no evi! cause ever lives in perpetuity. The sepulchre of the centuries is filled with the bones and ashes of forgotten evils that man has discarded in his steady heavenward climb. In the long fight that stretches through the centuries, God's arm will ever be strongest.

The time has come for us to take off our kid gloves in dealing with this age-old problem. The next and final battle against the liquor traffic is going to be a battle of bare knuckles and we must get over the idea that we can use passive, indifferent, namby-pamby, white-livered methods.

We have Bible authority for discarding our kid gloves and using bare knuckles in this fight. In Deuteronomy we read that God commanded the children of Israel to "break down the altars and burn the graven images." In the book of Numbers the Lord commanded: "If you do not the three remaining members of the H. Potter in the evening. Mrs. C. the Lord commanded: "If you do not Club—Mmes. E. W. Blackwell, Eliza (crawford and E. S. Hamilton—to be donated to the National and state W. C. T. U. The contribution to the state

"What hast thou in thine hand? the Lord asked Moses and Moses ans-wered, "Nothing but a staff, Oh, God, with which I tend my flocks" and then God commanded Moses "Take it and use it for me."

The mission of Jesus Christ was "to break every yoke and let the oppress-ed go free." we read in Isaiah. Upon two occasions, Jesus made a scourge of small cords and laid it upon the backs of wicked men who were doing unlawful things. The Master came into this world "to destroy the works of the devil." In Romans we read "The God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly."

Where evil is aggressive it behooves Christian thinking America to be even more aggressive and to take whatever forceful compelling action is necessary. The Master used strong language in dealing with the evils of Hig time. He upbraided the cities wherein most of His mighty works were done because they repented not "Woe unto thee Chorazin!" not. "Woe unto thee Chorazin!" Jesus said, "Woe unto thee Bethsaida! for if the mighty works which were done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sack cloth and ashes."

Frequently, we hear it said that we should wait awhile and that the liquor traffic will destroy itself if we give it enough rope. Evil never was known to destroy its own kind. If the saloon and the unbridled reign of the liquor traffic is of the devil, the power that will destroy it must be an opposite power, the power of good, the power of God.

The Apostle Paul said, "I have planted, Apollo watered, but God gave the increase." Repealists may plan and calculate and spread their hellish business over the land but the ultimate outcome depends upon God. The booze traffic cannot permanent-ly prosper without God's favor and approval.

Have a purpose in life and having it, throw into your work such strength of mind and muscle as God -Carlyle. has given you.

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