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THANK GOD FOR VICTORY

On learning the glad news of our victory, our National President wired: "OUR HEARTS OVERFLOW WITH JOY THAT OUR GOD HAS GIVEN VICTORY ONCE MORE. NORTH DAKOTA COMRADES HAVE NOT SPARED THEMSELVES AND WE THANK GOD AND TAKE COURAGE, SENDING LOVE AND CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU, ANDERSON, WANNER AND EVERY WHITE RIBBONER OF THE STATE. IDA B. WISE SMITH."

"If it had not been the Lord who was on our side when men rose up against us" we should have been defeated; but "blessed be the Lord, the snare is broken and we have escaped. Our help is in the name of the Lord Who made heaven and earth."

We are all rejoicing over the defeat of the hard liquor bill at the primary election by so large a majority (see official count for exact figures). North Dakota, after 47 years of battling with the enemy, is still in the dry column and our prohibition laws remain on the statute books. While we give thanks to the Captain of our salvation, we are deeply grateful to the good people of the state who stood by so loyally.

Never before has the press come to our assistance so generally. Letters from our publicity director, Mrs. Nellie M. Cross, and from the writer, were published free in many newspapers. Mrs. Anderson's leaflet—"Do We Want Hard Liquor In North Dakota?" was widely distributed as was also Dr. Cox's analysis of the bill. Rev. C. G. Olson, campaign manager, sent the illuminating literature of the Consolidated Drys into every corner of the state. Mr. J. I. Carter, with his popular drama—"The Prisoner at the Bar"—did valiant service and reached many thousands of people who could not have been reached otherwise.

The ministers who never fail us, warned the people of the utter failure of repeal in states where it is being tried and our blessed women never relaxed their efforts. Mrs. Buck, Mrs. Wanner and others contributed their share to the victory. Most encouraging was the earnest and cordial cooperation of the young people of the Christian Endeavor societies, headed by Miss Esther Bremer of Bismarck, who, like that other Esther, seems to have "come to the kingdom for such a time as this." Rev. Robert S. Nance, International Extension Secretary of the Christian Endeavor, who led the young people of Kansas in their prohibition victory and who attended the state C. E. convention at Minot, was speaker at the annual convention of the Consolidated Drys at Bismarck, inspiring young and old with his enthusiasm. Thousands of buttons—"Please Vote Dry for Me" and of stickers—"For Youth's Sake Please Vote Against Liquor" were



This beautiful exhibit, the work of Mr. Ralph L. Thoreson, Northwood, husband of the local president of that progressive W. C. T. U., was displayed at the Grand Forks district convention at Northwood in May of this year.

THE TULSA CONVENTION

The National W. C. T. U. convention convened at Tulsa, Oklahoma, June 12-18. The early date was set in order to help Oklahoma in its campaign to hold the prohibition clause in its constitution. The vote is to be taken July 28. Tulsa, the "Oil Capital," is a beautiful, clean, up to date

used by our children and young people and the supply was quite unequal to the demand.

It was an educational, cooperative campaign all the way through, the spirit of which we trust will be maintained in the days to come. This victory is merely a call to greater activity that we may rid our fair state of the things which destroy character and mar the sanctity of our homes. We need a revival of law observance and law enforcement in North Dakota—more statesmen and fewer politicians. The worth of a state in the long run is the worth of the individuals composing it.

—B. H. W.

city. We were greeted with true, southern hospitality and the welcome we received was as warm as the weather.

The convention opened Friday evening, June 12, with a colorful procession led by the national officers and speakers of the evening and followed by the state presidents with their beautiful state flags. Greetings were voiced by the Mayor, Dr. T. A. Penney, for the city; Dr. C. W. Kerr for the churches and Mrs. Elizabeth House for the W. C. T. U.

The annual address of the president, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, was full of arresting information and great inspiration and should be read in every local union and kept by all workers for reference. The five year, five point program, which culminates in the centenary of Frances Willard's birth in 1939, was illustrated as she spoke by a large and beautifully illuminated star.

The opening of the convention was preceded by a great worship service led by Mary Harris Armor in which nearly 700 women pleaded for God's

PRAYER FOR JULY

By Florence Stebbins

O wind, that comes from the south,
Bring us the blessing of rain!
Blow aside this burning heat,
Have mercy on ripening grain!

Bring clouds for the brazen sky,
Roll them up from every side!
From the glaring, scorching sun
Let the face of Nature hide!

Prairies grow barren from drought,
Cornfields are planted in vain;
Comes the prayer from every heart—
Bring us, O bring us the rain!

Fargo, N. D.

guidance, for faith and for victory. A three day pre-convention School of Alcohol Education was conducted by our Bertha Rachel Palmer and largely attended. Miss Dora H. Young of North Dakota, who had participated in the three months seminar at National Headquarters, was one of the assistants. Miss Young came directly from Tulsa to Valley City where she spoke on arrival at a rally in one of the churches for the defeat of the hard liquor bill, began her work at the State Teachers College and taught Education at the Epworth League Institute, after which she will work in our other state summer schools.

Mrs. Anna M. DeYo, national corresponding secretary, reported 24,163 new members gained in six months, or more than 1000 a week. Three hundred and three new unions have been organized besides twenty-four new Iota Sigma unions made up of young matrons and business women. Nearly 1000 L. T. L.'s have been organized and 134 Youth's Temperance Councils.

Mrs. Margaret C. Munns, national treasurer, summarized the activities of the Centenary program for the year which included the erection of hundreds of highway signs carrying statements regarding the dangers of the use of alcohol and the development of the educational advertising campaign for total abstinence. Congress made a grant of \$10,000 for certain expenses of the World's W. C. T. U. convention to be held in Washington, D. C. next June. This grant will be administered by the Department of State. The convention voted enthusiastically to raise a million dollar fund for the Willard Centenary Educational program. The additional \$50,000 is sponsored directly by the National W. C. T. U. and will all be used for the work of Alcohol Education by the use of press, radio, movies and every other channel of publicity.

Sunday was ushered in by a sunrise prayermeeting in the Crystal Ballroom of the Mayo Hotel. This beautiful room was filled by an eager, earnest throng, many of whom were young people, who participated with

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A PLATFORM OF BROKEN PLEDGES

In the Episcopal address read by Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes at the General Conference of the Methodist Church in Columbus last May, occur these strong words:

"Those of us who live in the period of the old-time saloon testify that the revived liquor trade has already outdone its former horrors. Bacchus is in our land again, erecting his altars and summoning our citizenship to an orgy of human sacrifices. With certain groups of the American people it is still unprofitable to argue. The open saloon has made for them a closed mind. They are now smiling amid their delusions endeavoring to persuade themselves that all is better, if not good; shutting their eyes to glaring infamies; and willing still to comfort their hearts with deluding testimony.

But on all sides, disasters increase; figures of intoxication are enlarged; institutions for the cure of alcoholism build extensions for treatment of drunken women; masculine shouting is accompanied in many cases by feminine shrieking; the temporary idiocy made by rum staggers along our streets; the record of automobile mishaps and fatalities lead the very journals that helped to reinstate the curse to carry on campaigns for the safety of our highways.

Already, since repeal, there has been a startling increase of deaths caused by drunken drivers, until even thus soon, enough extra blood has been shed to cover with crimson guilt the men who were responsible for the authorized return of the Demon. Many decline to witness the wreckage—even as they offer the pitiable explanations of their cowardice; prophesy the better day which their regime can never bring; and stand tremblingly upon a platform of broken pledges."

THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Comrades:

When you read this you will know the result of our election and I am continually praying and hoping that we shall have won a big victory for the honor of the state and for the sake of our children and young people. It was with keen regret that I had to give up my itinerary, having caught a severe cold that affected my throat. However, I am sure that our Christian people have rallied their forces and have successfully put across an educational campaign that has routed the liquor forces.

While in the field, I was much encouraged by the hearty cooperation and, in many cases, the leading out of the young people of our state in this dry campaign. God bless and protect our fine young people!

We are so grateful to Mrs. Necla E. Buck for her splendid work in our state and to National for her help. We are also thankful that our beloved honorary president, Mrs. Anderson, could go to Tulsa to attend the national convention and feel sure that she and Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, national director of Institutes, will bring home to us much inspiration and information.

I hope that those of you who had to allow your Union Signal subscriptions to lapse for a time will have taken advantage of the splendid offer to get the three numbers of the Signal giving a very full account of the national convention proceedings. For the coming summer, while we do seem to have much to discourage financially because of the drouth, we must keep our faith in our Father and put our trust in Him. He has promised not to forsake us.

This must be our testing-time so let us do our best to continue our work, claiming His promises. Reaping will come if we are faithful sowers. Fear disables us. Let us not forget that a man who had lived and learned said, "I will trust and not be afraid." Mrs. Buck and I had so many good times with students and those in Daily Vacation Bible schools. They are our inspiration and we can and will "Go forth and reap."

With love,

Mrs. Fred M. Wanner.

MINOT DISTRICT MEETS

In St. John's Lutheran church, Ryder, the Minot district held its annual convention, May 6 and 7, the president, Mrs. C. F. Truax, presiding. Mrs. Buck was a guest speaker. Emmy Lou Benson, Minot, was winner in the gold medal contest, Mrs. E. O. Lerberg presiding. Other contestants were present from Minot, Makoti and Ryder. Resolutions of regret were adopted on the passing of Mrs. Geo. Wertzler, an honored member of the Ryder union. The convention re-affirmed its stand against legalized national lotteries, against advertisements of liquor and tobacco over radio and in the press, deploring the rapidly increasing use of cigarettes and urging wider publicity regarding habit-forming drugs; also urging all to vote "No" on the iniquitous hard liquor bill June 24.

Rev. E. Kristensen led evening devotions and gave an address. Special music included a vocal solo by Hilda Ronning, Ryder; a vocal trio by Irene and Edith Likken and Evelyn Nelson and a selection by the Ryder high school chorus.

Mrs. Buck, as guest speaker, in a strong address declared that "Home protection is still our goal" and showed the utter failure of Repeal in states which have adopted it.

To keep in memory living sufferers is one of the best of all ways to mark and beautify Memorial Day.

THE TULSA CONVENTION

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the others in this heart-warming service. Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith was the leader. Many Tulsa pulpits were filled in the morning by delegates to the convention.

In the afternoon, a capacity audience greeted Amelia Earhart who told of her solo flight across the Atlantic, and Mrs. Mary Harris ARMOUR who gave a rousing prohibition address. Miss Earhart declared that alcoholic drinks don't mix with flying and said she would be afraid to use any stimulant. Sunday evening, Dr. C. C. Selecman, President Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, gave a great address on "Destroying Ethical Foundations," upon which personal character, the home, the state and the nation are built.

It was refreshing to note the number and spirit of the young people in attendance at the convention. Thirty states sent young people as delegates to the Youth's Temperance Council Conference presided over by Miss Helen L. Byrnes, General Secretary. Saturday evening these young people took over the convention program and delighted a great audience with their vigorous challenge of the liquor traffic.

The Quiet Hour, conducted at noon daily by Dr. Forney Hutchinson, pastor M. E. Church South, Tulsa, was a time of spiritual uplift. There was much of interest in the addresses of the directors, organizers and evangelists which space will not permit mentioning here. The national officers were unanimously re-elected and flowers presented in such quantity that the platform was transformed into a bower of beauty.

Tuesday, Oklahoma Day, launched the great dry campaign for the state. Led by stirring music of the famous Stillwater High School Band, a crowd of delegates and Oklahoma people packed the convention auditorium at the First Presbyterian church. Mrs. Elizabeth House, president Oklahoma W. C. T. U., presided and rousing speeches were given by the ladies of the United Drys of Oklahoma and the leaders of Oklahoma Youth's Temperance Council. Mrs. ARMOUR indicted the liquor business in her inimitable way. Mrs. Smith introduced the writer who spoke briefly of the campaign in North Dakota. Rev. Dr. McCosh offered prayer for victory in North Dakota and Dr. Geo. W. McDonald offered prayer for victory in Okla. and pronounced the benediction. The day before, Mrs. Necla E. Buck reported her campaign work in North Dakota. A greeting was read from our state president, Mrs. Fred M. Wanner, and Mrs. Ella A. Boole, president World's W. C. T. U. and Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin, vice president National W. C. T. U. led the convention in prayer for victory in North Dakota.

Mrs. Kate S. Wilder carried the North Dakota flag in the colorful procession at the opening of the convention. She also arranged the 156 beautiful wild roses representing our new members, in most attractive baskets for the Flower Fiesta and was most helpful throughout the convention.

It is impossible to tell of the delightful drives, wonderful music, brilliant medal contest, World's evening with its inspirational addresses, the department conference, breakfasts and luncheons but I must speak of the beautiful closing consecration service Thursday afternoon when fifty young people took the candles of service, pledging themselves and their talents to their Maker for building His kingdom here on earth. Later that night, after the banquet, the Flower Fiesta gave us a wonderful

A MESSAGE FROM MRS. BUCK

Dear North Dakota Comrades:

Words fail to express all I would like to say to you. It has been such a joy to meet you and to serve with you. It has been an inspiration to me to know of the brave battles you have fought with Public Enemy No. 1 and the victories you have won. Mrs. Anderson and I have roomed together here and our thoughts and prayers have been with you. Before you read this, the election will be over and we hope, another victory won.

The National W. C. T. U. convention is over. It has been a great meeting. We are going on to greater achievements and to ultimate victory. Our program meets the need of the hour and it is ours to carry it out in God's wisdom and strength.

It has been a great pleasure to have Mrs. Anderson's companionship for these ten days—a fitting climax to the weeks spent with you all. I wish to thank you from the bottom of my heart for your kindness, your hospitality and love—rich gifts these, none greater!

I am leaving in a few hours for the west coast. I am wishing you might have some of the refreshing rains that Oregon is having in such abundance.

With love to each one,

Necla E. Buck.

Tulsa, Okla., June 19, 1936.

GLEANERS SINCE LAST MONTH

Mrs. R. M. Pollock, Fargo.
Mrs. India Rasmussen, Underwood.
Mrs. G. W. Best, Crystal.
Mrs. R. M. Black, Ellendale.
Mrs. Aaron Edgerly, Ellendale.
Let the good work go on. Who will be the next?

PERSONALS

We are happy to have our honorary president, Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson, represent the state at the Tulsa national convention, as with the campaign on, it did not seem best to have Mrs. Wanner leave the state. Mrs. Bessie M. Darling, president Grand Forks district, spoke against the hard liquor bill before election at points in her district.

Mrs. S. O. Nelson, Northwood, was a pleasant caller at the state headquarters recently, enroute to visit relatives in Minnesota.

Marjorie and Margaret Reinholdt, twin daughters of Mrs. Martin Reinholdt, president Van Hook union, assisted at the Minot district convention at Ryder. Both young ladies are teachers and members of the W. C. T. U. Miss Marjorie was appointed assistant director Alcohol Education for the district. Temperance principles, adopted in the home, beautify the characters of our choice young people.

Mrs. Victor Landquist entertained the Fargo union and Mrs. Oscar H. Kjorlie the Fargo Scandinavian when delightful flower Mission programs were given by each union and quantities of beautiful flowers were distributed.

We are indebted to Mrs. F. D. Cannon of Jamestown who made thirteen dozen of pretty pink wild roses to represent our 156 new members at the Flower Fiesta at the national convention, and to Mrs. Wilder who arranged them artistically in baskets for display.

picture of color and beauty as the states brought roses, gardenias, poppies, gladioli, orange blossoms, apple blossoms, cherry blossoms, blue bonnets, orchids, delphiniums, dahlias, syringas and many more to honor their new members—24,163 in all.
—Elizabeth Preston Anderson.

TREASURER'S REPORT

May 16-June 25, 1936

DUES—Steele 1; Minot 6; Gilby 7; Makoti 3; Velve 2; Minnewaukan 2; Christine 6; Hatton 2; Mayville 8; Jamestown 12; Hillsboro 13; Northwood 2; Fargo 9; Prosper 23; Wyndmere 1; Hettinger 4; Page 9; Fargo Scan. 33; Douglas 8; Ray 2; Dickey 3; Larimore 1; Park River 3; Ellendale 8. Larimore L. T. L. 30; Dickinson L. T. L. 10.

BUDGET—L. Minot \$7.00; Christine comp. \$7.00; Stanley \$7.70; Mayville \$7.00; Hillsboro \$5.00; Northwood \$15.00; Hettinger \$2.00; Page \$9.00; Cooperstown \$17.00; Ray \$5.00; Upham comp. \$3.00; Park River \$6.00; Ellendale \$13.40; Sharon comp. \$6.00; Fargo \$10.00.

WILLARD CENTENARY FUND—James Valley District \$250.00; Minot \$1.00; Minot District \$10.00; Minnewaukan \$5.00; Hillsboro \$2.00; Fargo \$20.00; Sharon \$1.00; Dickey \$5.00; Christine \$4.50; Hettinger \$2.96; Hettinger District \$5.00; Grand Forks Scandinavian \$21.00.

STATE REPORTS—Northwood 3; Upham 1.

DISTRICT PLEDGE—Devils Lake Dist. \$10.00; Northeast Dist. \$10.00.

CONVENTION EXPENSE—Northwest Dist. \$10; Minot Dist. \$10; Devils Lake Dist. \$10.00; James Valley Dist. \$5.00; New Rockford Dist. \$5.00; Ransom-LaMoure Dist. \$10.00; Grand Forks Dist. \$10.00; Fargo Dist. \$10.00; Hettinger Dist. \$5.00; South Central Dist. \$3.78.

MEMORIAL MEMBERS—Mr. and Mrs. David Bartlett.

OVER THE TOP FOR CENTENARY: Sheldon, Grand Forks Scandinavian, James Valley District. Dear Comrades:

How fast our fiscal year has slipped away! And some unions have not yet been heard from. You will soon receive my annual statement with the financial standing of each union. If you are in arrears will you not double your diligence to come up to the state convention at Grand Forks, Sept. 17-20, with all obligations met? The strength of the organization depends upon the individual members of each local union. Because our convention is to be a little earlier than usual this year, the books must close SEPT. 3. Please keep this date in mind and let us hear from you as soon as possible.

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

CALL FOR STATE W. C. T. U. CONVENTION

The forty-seventh annual convention of the North Dakota Woman's Christian Temperance Union is hereby officially called to meet at Grand Forks, North Dakota, September 17-20, 1936. The state executive committee will meet Thursday, Sept. 17 at 2:00 P. M.

The executive committee is composed of the trustees, district presidents or their alternates, the general secretaries of Youth's Temperance Council and Loyal Temperance Legion, the editor of state paper, department directors, organizers and field workers and historian.

The membership of the state convention includes the executive committee, district corresponding secretaries and treasurers, chairmen of standing committees, presidents of local unions or their alternates, one delegate at large from every local union and one for every 30 paid members; one L. T. L. delegate for every \$5.00 L. T. L. dues into state treasury, said delegate to be an L. T. L. superintendent. The Y. T. C. is entitled to the same representation in

the convention as the W. C. T. U. but the delegates must be young women.

The By-laws provide that the state treasurer's books shall close two weeks previous to the annual meeting, which will be September 3.

The hostess unions—the Grand Forks and Grand Forks Scandinavian extend a hearty welcome to all white ribboners to attend and help make this 47th annual meeting outstanding in our history.

Mrs. Fred M. Wanner, President.
Barbara H. Wylie,
Corresponding Secretary.

MRS. BUCK'S WORK IN NORTH DAKOTA

To have our comrade of other days, Mrs. Nelia E. Buck of Salem, Oregon, return to us as a national organizer and lecturer was a distinct honor; to have her with us for eight weeks of constructive, effective work was a great gain; to meet her personally and exchange experiences was a rare privilege.

Mrs. Buck began work in her old district, better known as the First, of which she was president for so many years. She re-organized and built up the Cando union, made preliminary arrangements for organization at Rolla, organized a new union at Hansboro; visited Devils Lake, Calvin, Sarles, and Hannah, speaking in schools and using a demonstration kit to teach what alcohol is and what it does.

Next came Bottineau with a reception at the home of Miss Edith Carey. Landa, Westhope and Lansford were visited with Sunday spent at Minot and an afternoon meeting at Des Lacs. Velve was next with a reorganization at Douglas. At Parshall, Mrs. Buck was heard with much interest at a P. T. A. meeting. At Plaza and Van Hook, interesting meetings were held and friends made for the cause. Sunday, May 3 was spent at Stanley where Mrs. Buck spoke several times.

The Northwest district convention was held at Williston May 4 and 5 and was reported last month. Mrs. Buck returned to Ryder for the Minot district meeting May 6 and 7 reported elsewhere, and went to Calvin for the Devils Lake district meeting May 8. Mrs. Buck attended the James Valley district convention at Jamestown May 11. Short stops were made at Carrington, New Rockford and Sheyenne where schools were visited before going on to Minnewaukan for the New Rockford district meeting, May 13. At Dickey, May 15, the Ransom-LaMoure district met in annual convention.

Sunday, May 17 was spent at Grand Forks where two church congregations and a Sunday School group were addressed. Next day, with Mrs. Darling, district president, an institute at Larimore was attended.

At Northwood, May 19, the Grand Forks district convention was held and after a pleasant day at Hatton, Mrs. Buck attended the Fargo district convention at Hillsboro. On her birthday, May 22, Mrs. Buck was delightfully entertained by the Gilby ladies who served a luncheon, presenting Mrs. Buck with a gift and a birthday cake. At Grafton, May 24, she conducted the regular church services and on Monday spoke in schools.

The Northeast district met at Edinburg May 26, Mrs. Frank Beasley, president, presiding. Several days following were spent with Mrs. Beasley and Mrs. Buck addressed a Lutheran convention, a church service at Milton and later in the day spoke at St. Hans Lutheran church near Edmore. At Fargo, Mrs. Buck gave demonstration lessons with kit to eight daily vacation Bible schools, interesting some five or six hundred children in what

alcohol is and what it does. Ladies Aid societies of the First Lutheran and Pontoppidan churches were addressed, also a group at the Florence Crittenton Home and the Baptist Young People's Union. During the week a meeting was held at the home of Mrs. J. S. Johnson, Christine, with good attendance and interest.

Sunday morning, June 7, Mrs. Buck spoke at the First Methodist Episcopal church to a large congregation. From Fargo she went to Tulsa to attend the National W. C. T. U. convention, following which she will visit a daughter and family at Pasadena, Calif., before returning to her home at Salem, Oregon. We are deeply grateful for her helpful presence and messages.

"Better loved ye canna be—
Will ye no come back again?"
We submit the following summary of Mrs. Buck's work:

Places visited—47; Addresses—118. District conventions attended, 9; People reached—approximately, 9000. Conferences with county superintendents, teachers, S. S. workers and pastors on Alcohol Education, 25; Willard members paid, 12. Members pledged, 77; public schools addressed, 31; Sunday Schools, 11. Daily Vacation Bible Schools, 8; church services, 10; other public meetings, 18; missionary, college, mothers meetings, Luther League, picnic and other groups addressed, 10; unions organized, 2.

HETTINGER DISTRICT CONVENTION

At Reeder, May 22, this district met in the Lutheran church for its annual meeting, the president, Miss Effie Walch presiding. The state president, Mrs. Fred M. Wanner was guest speaker. A large audience both afternoon and evening enjoyed the interesting and instructive program. A father and mother drove twenty-two miles with their three little children who were later dedicated as white ribbon recruits. A high school chorus of twenty-seven boys and girls sang and remained for the entire evening.

At request of the young people, Mrs. Wanner organized a Youth's Temperance Council of eleven bright, interesting young people who will meet twice a month and will work to earn their dues. Our old friend, Mr. Eckenridge, who that day celebrated his 85th birthday, took Mrs. Wanner and Miss Walsh to the high school. The L. T. L. with Mrs. E. M. Hofland as leader, was re-organized. During her stay in the district, Mrs. Wanner spoke in the schools at Reeder, Bucyrus and Hettinger.

All district officers were re-elected. New district directors, all of Hettinger, are: Mrs. Albert Marple, Alcohol Education; Mrs. O. A. Erlandson, Publicity; Mrs. Glen Howard, Y. T. C. and Miss Stella Good, L. T. L. The following Sunday Mrs. Wanner spoke at a Congregational church at Pierce to an appreciative audience. Enroute to Reeder, she met with the women at Dickinson and addressed the schools.

HAPPINESS

1. Commit something to memory each day, a Bible verse, a poem, or good quotation.
2. Look for something beautiful each day—a leaf, a flower, a cloud, a star.
3. Do something for somebody every day, a happy smile, a friendly word, or a kindly deed.

The greatest affair in life is the Creation of Character, and this can be accomplished as well in a Cottage as in a Palace. —Ian MacLaren.

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES?

SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT MEETING

Temvik entertained this convention May 26, Mrs. E. C. Banister presiding with Mrs. Wanner helping through the convention and speaking in schools. Rev. Grant Moore, always mindful of the admonition to "help those women" took Mrs. Wanner to Linton where she spoke in schools to students and faculty. Next day, with the County Agent, Rev. Mr. Moore accompanied Mrs. Wanner to Westfield where, standing on a truck, she spoke for thirty minutes to three or four hundred people gathered at a cooperative P. T. A. with six schools represented. At each place Mrs. Wanner illustrated her talk with a home-made kit, by which she showed what alcohol is and what it does.

Enroute home, Mrs. Wanner was met at McKenzie by Mrs. Wildfang who took her to the home of Mrs. Hughes where a bright, interesting group of young women awaited her coming. Mrs. Wanner reported a pleasant call on our dear friend of former days, Mrs. L. E. Heaton, who still makes her home at McKenzie. On this trip of ten days, Mrs. Wanner made 22 addresses, reaching about 2075 people.

HEAR THE VOICE OF AUTHORITY

Prof. G. van Bunge, in an address delivered at the University of Basle, said:—

Beer is the most harmful of alcoholic drinks.

Thousands become stupid and brutalized by beer.

The moderate use of alcoholic drinks is not only useless, but in a high degree harmful.

Every man who feels uncomfortable unless he introduces into his system some kind of alcoholic drink is in an abnormal state.

I assert that a man who completely renounces alcoholic drink deprives himself of nothing; his joy of living and his pleasures increase.

Statistics record only the smallest part of the misery caused by alcohol; from the first glass to insanity, to crime, to despair and suicide, there are a thousand degrees. Only those who fell the lowest are accounted for by statistics.

ALPHABET

By Janet Jones, Washington Co. Attend all meetings.

Be on time.

Co-operate with leaders.

Do your best, always.

Entertain no discouraging note.

Forget mistakes of others.

Go a second mile.

Help, not hinder.

Invite friends to join.

Join hands with Y. T. C., L. T. L.,

and T. L. B.

Keep yourself informed.

Let none hear "I can't."

Measure up to "Standard."

Never allow dues to lapse.

Offer attractive programs.

Pray: then work.

Quarrel not with opponents.

Read Union Signal and Bulletin.

Study W. C. T. U. Departments.

Tell what alcohol is and does.

Use your God-given talents.

Very carefully select officers.

Work diligently and agreeably.

X-ray yourself for weakness.

Yield only to best motives.

Zero—never permit in reports.

—Pennsylvania Bulletin.

All common things, each day's events, that with the hour begin and end, our pleasures and our discontents are rounds by which we may ascend. —Longfellow.

OUR WORK IN STATE SUMMER SCHOOLS

Every year, through the cordial cooperation of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and the College Presidents, the North Dakota Woman's Christian Temperance Union has had a trained worker in our state summer schools for a limited time, presenting the Alcohol Question in the latest scientific manner.

We are again most fortunate in having Miss Bertha R. Palmer come for a week, during which time she will speak at the summer school assembly at the State University Friday, July 10 at 11 o'clock. After a few days in Grand Forks, Miss Palmer will speak at an interdenominational meeting for ministers and their wives at Jamestown College, Jamestown, July 13-17. Miss Palmer is known from coast to coast as an authority on scientific temperance and her services are greatly in demand. For this reason and because of our personal interest, we appreciate Miss Palmer's coming in July.

We are also fortunate in the coming of Miss Dora H. Young for three weeks' work beginning June 22 at the State Teachers College, Valley City. During that week, Miss Young will speak at the Epworth League Institute at Chautauqua Park, Valley City.

June 29, 30, Miss Young will be at State Normal School at Ellendale. July 2 and 3 at Mayville State Teachers College. Sunday, July 5 will be spent at Minot. July 6 and 7 at State Teachers College there. July 8 she will travel to Dickinson, spending July 9 and 10 at the College there.

Miss Young's experiences have included those of critic teacher, demonstrator, member of a state college faculty and assistant county superintendent of schools. Her splendid type of leadership and enthusiasm in conducting institutes have contributed to her success. Her thorough study of any subject under discussion and her ability to present it in a clear, logical manner, have placed her in the foreground as a successful teacher of children and also of teachers.

Miss Young's interest in Alcohol Education has developed from the evident need of the hour and the obvious adaptability of the subject to accepted teaching techniques. This interest has grown and intensified as she has worked with Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer in a Seminar in Alcohol Education.

Miss Young has a happy, enthusiastic personality which meets almost any situation with a smile. She is progressive in spirit and a good organizer, and secures effective results.

"THE HOME RULES THE NATION"

For one I care little for the government which presides at Washington, in comparison with the government which rules the millions of American homes. No administration can seriously harm us if our home-life is pure, frugal, and godly. No statesmanship or legislation can save us, if once our homes become the abode of ignorance or the nestling place of profligacy. The home rules the nation. If the home is demoralized it will ruin it. The real seed-corn whence our republic sprang was the Christian households, the "Mayflower," or which set up the family altar of the Hollander and the Huguenot. All our best characters, best legislation, best institutions, and best church-life were cradled in those early homes. They were the taproot of the republic, and of the American churches.

—Theodore L. Cuyler.

Do You Read The Union Signal?

GIRLS WILL BE BOYS

By Dr. Roy L. Smith, Los Angeles.

I have become firmly convinced that I belong to the superior sex. There seems to be no doubt about it since the women themselves admit it by imitating us. But the strange thing is that instead of beginning on our virtues, they started out by imitating our vices. Dorothy Dix tells us the average girl undertakes to be the kind of creature she thinks the men want her to be. It all depends upon the kind of men the girl has in mind.

The facts are that a cigarette dripping from the lips of a girl has never yet attracted any man worth attracting. The secret of a woman's power has always been her womanliness not her masculinity. I know of a girl who is an expert boxer but who wants to marry a trained sparring partner? "The Lord made the women beautiful and foolish. Beautiful so that men would love them and foolish so they could love the men."

The modern girl who thinks she can best gain her rights by stepping down from high ideals of womanhood is simply mistaken. The alarming thing about this gasoline, self-starting age is that so many young women are ashamed of their best. They would rather be called good sports than good women. We have complained against the double standard. I am opposed to it. But the only progress we have made in attaining a single standard has been the lowering of women's standards down towards that of the men.

Chivalry and courtesy are the finest compliments that good men ever pay to good women. The world never rates us any higher than we rate ourselves. The girl who gives her high favors to every man is held in high favor by none of them. She who reserves her best for one man will be respected by all.

I overheard a young woman defending her drunkenness on the grounds that she was braindrained on the subject. I do not deny her right to drink but she has also the right to the rewards of drinking. If she has any doubt as to what these rewards are let her go down to the municipal court to-morrow and see the crowd of drunks. Look into the faces of those wrecks who have won their rights by long years of drinking. One does not need to be broad to be deep. The Washington monument is narrow but lofty.

I have the feeling that the modern girl is being swindled. She is trading modesty for recklessness, chastity for sophistication, freedom for danger, womanliness for daring and charm for cosmetics. I suppose I am oldfashioned but I am wondering what would have happened if Abraham Lincoln's mother had been a flapper or Theodore Roosevelt had started out to be a shiek. Boys will be boys but they will also be men. It is funny when girls will be boys. They fail as girls and make themselves ridiculous as boys.

MUSIC

There is no music in my voice:

I cannot sing—my voice will break. There's little music in my ear,

Though I enjoy what others make. There is no music in my touch:

I know I cannot life impart To instruments for music made;

But, O, there's music in my heart! —Margaret Lucy St. Amant, in Evangelical Crusader.

We pray Thee, keep us at thy side, Creator, Saviour strengthening guide. —John Keble.

Have you paid your dues? The time is short.

THE NAT'L. PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

I ask that the National Convention consider the following Recommendations and, upon adoption, consider them as a solemn obligation upon the National, State and Local Unions to be carried into effect so far as possible in the Strength Divine which may be ours for the asking.

1. **Regular Plan of Work:** The Woman's Christian Temperance Union must have a continuing plan to accomplish its objectives. Therefore our first duty is to carry on the definite activities which are part of this continuing plan. Only by loyal adherence to our accepted program can we expect progress. This plan includes the established funds by which definite parts of the work are financed.

2. **Local Unions:** If each of the 10,500 Local Unions of the W. C. T. U. is conversant with the plans of the State and National Unions, if their leadership is informed and aggressive, under the blessing of God our objectives will not be delayed in accomplishment. The Local Union is the important unit of power in the whole organization. Wider knowledge of the plans and methods of work and correlation with County, State and National is necessary to obtain effective results. The foundation of the work must be the consecrated individual woman. Therefore it is further urged that attention not only be given to obtaining new members but to the retention of those now associated with the work.

3. **Iota Sigma W. C. T. U.:** This was made a special work for this year by the convention of a year ago. We urge increased activity to establish many organizations before the close of the W. C. T. U. year, October 31st. It is earnestly recommended that there be increased effort in this direction next year.

4. **Cooperative Action:** The objectives of the W. C. T. U. are of interest to many other groups and to citizens not organized. In certain efforts the cooperation of these should be sought. The W. C. T. U. has the information and should share it and give opportunity for service to others to the end that results may be obtained.

5. **Centenary Program:** This Five-Year Program and the Fund to finance it is an emergency forced upon us by repeal of Prohibition safeguards. Let careful study be given to each Point and all its subdivisions and let the State and Local program be based on these.

6. **Willard Centenary Education Fund:** Two years of the period we assigned ourselves for this work have passed. If the large features of the Program are to be accomplished the entire Fund must speedily be raised. Plans for assistance to the states in raising the money will be adopted at this Tulsa convention. We earnestly beg they will receive cooperation of State and Local organizations. This is necessary if they are to succeed.

7. **Youth:** The direct attack of liquor interests is leveled at young people and children. The W. C. T. U. cannot hold itself guiltless of what liquor may do to these unless there has been made every possible effort to forewarn them as well as protect them. Hence every Union, if no other thing is done, should mother a Youth's Temperance Council and a Loyal Temperance Legion. In addition, all possible help should be given to leaders of youth and children in the various other organizations in which they are gathered.

8. **Declaration of Purpose:** Total abstinence is the principle of the W. C. T. U. and the only certain safeguard from the personal effects of al-

coholic beverages. We view with encouragement the announcement of church groups that a new campaign of pledge signing will be inaugurated. Let us solemnly resolve that this year shall mark definite activity in proferring this defense to our youth.

9. **THE UNION SIGNAL and literature:** On every hand is met the publicity of the brewers and distillers and wine-makers. It is as false and misleading as it has ever been. It is so cleverly written that the very elect would be deceived. There is therefore greater responsibility to keep our fresh, up-to-date literature, including pamphlets and leaflets and our incomparable UNION SIGNAL and YOUNG CRUSADER before all ages and classes of people that they may have the scientific facts which can be substantiated.

10. **Spiritual Emphasis:** The noon-day prayer was inaugurated "for the work and the workers." Many of our new members may not know of this precious trusting time. I ask that this year special petition may be made for the Centenary Program and the raising of the Fund to finance it. Ask the Lord to give us wisdom for the task, vision for the planning, courage for the work, grace for endurance and victory at last.

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In the pattern He has planned."