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THE CHRISTIAN'S DAILY DOZEN

By Ralph S. Cushman
First, turn your heart to God for grace.
Before you look on my face.
Next, breathe a word of thankful greeting.
To Him who watched while you were sleeping.
Now, if you find this hard to do,
Invoke your will to help you through;
Just clinch your hands or turn your head,
Twill drive the night mists from your bed.
Next say a verse or hum an air
To make an atmosphere of prayer.
At length, when mind is keenly turning,
Repeat some new verse you are learning.

Then it will surely clear your vision
To voice in words the day's decision;
To talk with Christ about your work,
For heaven can never bless a shark.
And now, prepared the day to meet,
Arise and stand upon your feet.
Then, from a table while you're dressing,
Glean something from the Book of Blessing;
And for the climax of all motion
Fail not to kneel in sweet devotion.
So go you forth with smile to greet
The first and every heart you meet;
And all day long your soul will thrive;
And men will thank God you're alive.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Comrades:

I wish to thank each one who sent me such cordial and lovely Christmas and holiday greetings and to wish every one of you dear women a happy, healthy and worthwhile New Year. We are well launched into the work of 1937 and I trust each union has made progress in collecting dues, thus becoming a Hold Fast union, and in paying budget. Then, until May 1st we can give our time to the membership campaign. Who is to secure the largest number of new members in our state, thus becoming our World Citizen? I am hoping and praying that each member will be at least a Courier, having gained one new member. It is not only that we may gain new members, but that we may get women who will become actively interested in the great temperance program for the education of our children and young people and the better protection of our homes. So many women say they haven't the time but they can help by signing the pledge, paying dues, wearing the white ribbon and praying for our work.

We were so glad to receive a copy of the outline of a course of study in Scientific Temperance from our state Superintendent of Public Instruction, Hon. Arthur E. Thompson, which has

been sent to each county superintendent with the request that a copy be sent to each teacher. We hope you will cooperate with your teachers in putting on this course and help them with material whenever you can.

You have received letters from headquarters regarding the Temperance Education Fund and the campaign for one million dollars. January 16 was set as the date to open our campaign. Let us begin with special prayer services in each union, starting your committee out with God's blessing, and with His help and guidance we shall win. We so much need this money, for 70 percent of it comes back into our own state and much good will result from that used by National WCTU. Through money already gained, the four reel movie film—Beneficent Reprobae or That Awful Ethyl—has been produced and is being widely circulated. At least three places in our state have had it. The CCC camp near Kensel is to have it Feb. 9 and Jamestown has in a request for it. The film comes in two forms—silent and sound—and can be secured from the Motion Picture Bureau of the National Council, Y. M. C. A., 19 South LaSalle St., Chicago, free of cost except for shipping expenses. I am repeating from a former letter but I do feel that this visual education is much needed and most worthwhile. Use it in schools, churches, P. T. A.'s and other educational and community agencies.

Our Five-Point Centenary Star program must be stressed—i. e., Spiritual Education, Alcohol Education, Character Building, Citizenship and Peace Education, as these are our objectives. In raising this Temperance Education fund, ask your friends and acquaintances, though not members. They may be glad to put across such a constructive program.

Our legislature is in session. Please be prompt and respond when we send you an S. O. S. call for petitions or telegrams. The receipt of these has often turned the tide in former sessions. Your representatives want to please you.

Write them, asking their vote and influence for the retention of our law prohibiting advertising of intoxicating liquor in the newspapers, magazines, over radio and on billboards. We do not want our homes and communities flooded with such advertising. Let us take warning and work now. It is easier to retain a law than to regain it. The Consolidated Drys of which we are a part, suggest a legislative program which you will find elsewhere. We will have a member at Bismarck to represent our interests. With county option we shall again have our loved state free from the liquor stigma.

J. Edgar Hoover, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation and one of the greatest authorities on crime, says "These last three years constitute the most terrible period of criminal history in the life of America and

UNIFORM NARCOTIC DRUG ACT

North Dakota has not yet ratified the Narcotic Drug Act. Please write your senators and representatives at Bismarck asking them to do this. Also to support by vote and influence the program of the Consolidated Drys. The following will be appropriate for your February meeting:

An excerpt from "The National Narcotic Situation" by H. J. Anslinger, United States Commissioner of Narcotics:

The Federal Bureau of Narcotics has pursued with unrelenting zeal the execution of its major policy directed toward:

Limiting the importation of opium and coco leaves to medicinal needs of the country;

Elimination of international and large scale interstate sources of supply for the illicit narcotic traffic; maintaining, in cooperation with the State Department, a friendly spirit of active cooperation and always daily contact with foreign governments in suppressing international drug rings; keeping in direct contact with narcotic police agencies of 25 nations;

Prevention of smuggling and apprehension of major violators;

Cooperating with officials of the several states in the enforcement of local narcotic laws;

Urging enactment of UNIFORM STATE NARCOTIC ACT by all states except Pennsylvania and California in an effort to

Have States assist the Government in carrying out its obligations under international drug treaties, some of which, particularly under the 1931 Convention, can be carried out only through cooperation by the several states;

Coordinate enforcement machinery through mandatory cooperation of State and Federal officers; and close the gap between Federal and State laws through which many criminals have escaped or evaded punishment;

Clear dockets of Federal courts, primarily intended for cases of national character, of petty cases with which they are now flooded, and which the State, county and municipal courts should dispose of.

Secure uniform legislation to deal effectively with MARIHUANA.

modern youth is drifting deeper and deeper into crime," showing the relationship of the added liquor consumption to crime. Let us do our share for the promotion of our educational program and so safeguard the homes of our state. "They blast our homes for gold and gain,

They lay the blighting breath
Of alcohol on our fair land
To leave the trail of death.
But Right is Right, and Truth is Truth.
Though wrong and sin assail;

VALLEY FORGE

Washington at Valley Forge
Prayed his doubts away—
We should follow where he led
When our skies are gray!

We should follow through the snow
Through the shadowed places,
With high courage in our hearts,
And with smiling faces.

Washington at Valley Forge
Felt a climax nearing,
So he knelt and asked for aid,
Sure that God was hearing.

We should follow where he led
Praying that God's power
Will be like a shining shield
At the zero hour.

—Margaret E. Sangster

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

At a recent meeting of the strategy committee of the Consolidated Drys the following legislative program was adopted:

Work for county option; for the elimination of the sale of liquor outside of organized municipalities; for elimination of its sale and use in restaurants and other eating places; for elimination of liquor from dance halls; and for all restrictive measures that seem feasible and possible.

It was further decided to push the educational program more actively than ever, with emphasis on enlistment for total abstinence.

JAMESTOWN INVITES MID-YEAR MEETING

The Jamestown union has kindly invited the Mid-Year meeting to be held there about the middle of March. The exact date will be announced later.

OUR MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

How is your campaign progressing?
Time is flying fast.

Some new members have not been reported by those securing them. Here is the list to date:

ENVY—Mrs. Fred M. Wanner, Jamestown.

COURIERS—Mrs. Robert B. Reed, Fargo; Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, Fargo; Mrs. Arthur Schneider, Davenport; Mrs. Barbara H. Wylie, Fargo; Mrs. W. M. Herrington and Mrs. J. J. Larsen, Benedict; Mrs. C. F. Truax, Minot, 4; Mrs. John Bradley, Minot, 2; Mrs. John Underdahl, Minot; Mrs. H. S. Robinson, Zah; Mrs. P. J. Foss, Appam; Mrs. A. V. Shepard, Grand Forks Scandinavian, 4; Mrs. T. O. Breuing, Grand Forks Scandinavian.

Courage! Fight on! In God's own way
Right shall at last prevail."
Yours loyally,
Mrs. Fred M. Wanner
Jamestown, N. D.

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ROSARY OF FRIENDS

Always, when the old year ends,
I clasp my rosary of friends,
And pause to breathe a thankful
prayer

For every bead of friendship there.

—Marie Barton.

The very worst way to preserve Peace is to prepare for war. To prepare for something is to set time bringing it to you. The war that we expect will surely arrive; it needs only the trivial excuse. If everybody is thoroughly unprepared there never will be a war.—J. B. Priestly.

"Trouble and perplexity drive us to prayer, and prayer driveth 'away trouble and perplexity.'

The sun shines after every storm; there is a solution for every problem, and the soul's highest duty is to be of GOOD CHEER.—Emerson.

IMPORTANT DATES IN FEBRUARY

Feb. 12—Birthday of Abraham Lincoln
Feb. 17—Heavenly birthday of Frances E. Willard
Whittier said of Miss Willard:
"She knew the power of banded ill, But felt that Love was stronger still, And organized for doing good The world's united womanhood."
Feb. 22—Birthday of George Washington

NATIONAL BROADCAST

Arrangements are under way for a Broadcast on Alcohol Education by the National Director, Bertha Rachel Palmer. Plans are being made that the Broadcast shall be heard in all local unions at the first meeting in March 1937. Thirty-seven states have already agreed to cooperate in making this period possible to every local on their map.

WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT FRANCES WILLARD

When did you last read "Glimpses of Fifty Years," or "Women and Temperance," or "The Frances Willard Book" (Stewart), or "What Frances Willard Said," or "A Woman of the Century," or "Thumb Nail Sketches," or "Toots," or "Women in the Pulpit?"

Can you add to this list? Can you find out and let me know how and when and where these things which I have found in my reading began or happened?

Do you know that Frances E. Willard was:

1. First woman president of a college granting degrees;
2. First president of National Council of Women;
3. Introduced self government among college students;
4. First woman delegate to a Church General Conference and was refused a seat because she was a woman;
5. Editor of The Chicago Daily Post for one year;
6. A member of Alpha Phi—College Sorority?

Do you know that Frances E. Willard received:

1. A Master's Degree from Syracuse University;
2. An LLD. from Ohio Wesleyan University?

Under her leadership, these ideas were planted as seeds and have grown into our national life:

1. Physical education in public schools;
2. Thrift through school savings;
3. Pure food guaranteed by law;
4. Police matrons for delinquent women;
5. In industry, equal pay for equal work;
6. The eight-hour day for labor;
7. Woman's right to vote;
8. Anti-cigarette leagues;
9. Child welfare;
10. Kindergartens;
11. Mothers' meetings (Now P. T. A.);
12. International relations;
13. Sunshine Society;
14. Curfew ordinances;
15. Humane education;
16. World Peace.

—Bertha Rachel Palmer

HELPS AT STATE HEADQUARTERS

Topical Programs for 1937
L. T. L. and Y. T. C. Supplies
Department Literature
Medal Contest Reciters
Alcohol Education Literature
Song Books
Pledge Cards
Posters
Year Books
National Handbooks

THE TEMPERANCE EDUCATION FUND

Dear Sisters in Service:

We have paid a little more than half of our \$2500 state quota for the Temperance Education Fund. Our National officers are very anxious to be able to announce the completion of the million dollar fund at the World's Convention in June of this year. North Dakota women are not quitters. We will finish what we have begun. With a "long pull, a strong pull and a pull together" we shall finish our task.

The objectives of this campaign are most worth while: radio broadcasts, motion pictures in schools, exhibits, research work, printed facts and figures. The crying need for such a program is more apparent every day. We are launching our state campaign January 16 and hope to finish it by the middle of March when we hold our mid-year meeting.

For each union the total apportionment was a sum equal to \$1.50 per member, based on your 1934 membership. By referring to your records or to the state Treasurer's report in the 1934 Year Book, you can find what this amount will be. Will you do your best to bring up the balance? A few have gone "over the top."

Please appoint a local chairman and get the information in special literature to the people. Get large sums if possible but small gifts from many will also suffice. Does this seem insurmountable to you? "With God, nothing shall be impossible." Due recognition will be given all who "go over the top" with this fund.

Yours with love and confidence,

Barbara H. Wylie
Temporary Chairman for the Fund.

LOCAL ACTIVITIES

We are happy to announce that Mrs. Ellen Berg has organized a Y.T.C. at Zahl with 14 members and has re-organized the L.T.L. there with 28 members.

Mrs. Frank Beasley, our state recording secretary, is visiting at the home of her brother Mr. E. N. Wilcox, at Garden Farms, Atascadero, Calif., while Mr. Beasley is in the state legislature.

Our state Y.T.C. Secretary, Miss Sue Herrington, is enjoying a well-deserved vacation in the home of her brother, W. Wayne Herrington, at Winston, Mont., and is thrilled with the mountain scenery.

Mrs. A. V. Sheppard, president of Grand Forks Scandinavian union writes of the splendid response from the city superintendent, Mr. Elroy H. Schroeder, teachers and leaders in the P.T.A. in the matter of Alcohol Education in the schools. Copies of the Syllabus in Alcohol Education, the Baker books and others have been placed in the schools.

The last meeting of this progressive union was held in the home of Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Gunhus with members of the Grand Forks union as guests. The "World's Penny" march brought double the needed amount. Miss Myrtle Gunhus gave a reading and Miss Pearl Esther Johnson of the North Dakota Council of Christian Education, a stirring address. Mrs. M. J. Quarum, Mrs. Geo. Teige and Dr. Lavine Rokke were assisting hostesses.

A friend is a rare book of which but one copy is made.
"The greatest friend of Truth is Time; Her greatest enemy is prejudice."

—Colton.

No nation can rise higher than the character of its people.

A BARTENDER TURNS CHRISTIAN

By Ethel Hubler

Editor of the National Voice
"A man is known by the company he keeps." "Actions speak louder than words."

It was the New England philosopher, Emerson, who once said, "What you are speaks so loud I cannot hear what you say." People judge us far more by what we do, than by what we say. With which crowd are we training? Who are our associates? Do we say one thing one day, and do something else the next? If our lives are really going to count, let us be consistent. Roger Babson says that spiritual recovery must precede financial recovery. "Blessed be that nation whose God is the Lord."

Hear the story of Meryl E. Dowden, aged 28, who resigned recently as head of the Bartenders Union of Springfield, Missouri, to begin a campaign to make his fellow workers lead a new life. Bartenders who gathered at a special meeting called to discuss wage contracts were amazed when their president arose with the Bible in his hand and asked them to bow their heads in prayer. After exhorting them to "quit the underworld," Dowden told of his conversion and of his vow "never to mix another drink." Bewildered bartenders elected another man to succeed him and went home shaking their heads. One old barkeep sobbed audibly as he departed.

Dowden quit his job at the taproom where he was known as something of an artist at mixing fancy drinks. Newspapers relate the history of his varied career, which began in the Frisco shops after he graduated from Reed school, and took him over the country as a dishwasher, prize-fighter, fry cook, cab driver, and finally brought him back to Springfield as a bartender. He had been a bartender for a year, completing his apprenticeship in nine months because he worked so hard to become an artist at it."

He liked the work, too, he said, until the Rev. Charles W. Dyer, pastor of a Baptist church in Springfield pointed out the error of his ways. One Sunday, much against his will, he and his wife attended the church with friends. After the services Dowden went up to Mr. Dyer and said, "I make my living working in the underworld. I do not want to, I want to work for Jesus."

Dowden said he went home feeling strangely exalted. He worked at the taproom all day the following Monday, "mixing drinks for disgusting drunks," but when he went back Tuesday, he knew he couldn't stand it any longer, so he quit. That night he attended Mr. Dyer's revival services. In the midst of the services he jumped up, rushed forward to the altar, and when he arose, he said, "I want to help save the world."

Dowden said he never read the Bible, never even looked at it, until a few days before. He said that he stayed drunk for almost a year after he lost the city heavyweight championship in Los Angeles, a title he had held for seven years.

God is still in his heavens. He hasn't changed. May the 50,000 Protestant ministers never let an opportunity pass to strike this monster and hit it hard. The power of the pulpit is unlimited.

PROMOTED

"Forever near us, though unseen,
The dear, immortal spirits tread;
For all the boundless universe
Is life. There are no dead."

Edinburg union has been bereaved in the passing to the life beyond of two faithful members, Mrs. Raymond G. Laithwaite and Mrs. Andrew M. Moen, whose lives abounded in service and who will be greatly missed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dec. 14, 1936 to Jan. 15, 1937

DUES—New Rockford 3; Linton 5; Jamestown 19; Fargo 18; Parshall 9; Minot 5; Makoti 9; Underwood 3; Plaza 4; Epping 8; Stady-Zahl 13; Crosby 10; Larimore 15; Northwood 17; Calvin 7; Mrs. L. Dordal, Willard member.

BUDGET—Jamestown \$23; Fargo \$25; Minot \$5; Makoti complete \$18; Underwood \$5; Plaza 50c; Stady-Zahl complete \$22; Gilby complete \$22.

NATIONAL TEMPERANCE EDUCATION FUND—Calvin \$5; Parshall \$3.70; Underwood \$5; Edinburg in memory of Mrs. Clara Lathwaite \$3; Stady-Zahl \$1.90; Edinburg in memory of Mrs. Andrew M. Moen \$3.

STATE REPORTS—Epping 3.

PENNY FUND—Jamestown 78c; Minot \$1.37; Plaza 13c.

UNIONS PAYING BUDGET IN FULL BY JAN. 1st—Fargo Scandanavian, Dickey, Parshall, Larimore, Makoti, Stady-Zahl and Gilby.

NATIONAL TEMPERANCE EDUCATION FUND complete:

Sheldon

Grand Forks Scandinavian

Larimore

Bottineau

Gilby

Northwood

James Valley District

Dear Treasurers:

Money seems to be plentiful for drink, tobacco, movies, football in season, and for all sorts of social affairs. But it is different with church work, temperance work and other kinds of Christian work. We are glad to think our women are different and that we are "putting first things first" in our great work for God and Home and Native Land. With consecrated lives and pocketbooks, we shall yet put the enemy to flight. May we hear from those who have not yet reported?

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. R. B. Reed, Treas.

1341-11th Ave. No., Fargo, N. D.

MESSAGE FROM OUR ASSOCIATE L. T. L. SECRETARY

To educate our youth against the evil effects of alcohol, every union should have a Loyal Temperance Legion. If we get the children in their youth, they will always remember the things they learn. I know it is hard to get leaders but if one of the W.C.T.U. members will undertake it, she could get a younger person to help her. That is what we have done in Hillsboro.

The work must be made so attractive that children will love to come. Stories, songs and plays will help get the truth across in an interesting way. We must teach the children that in these days of high speed and good roads, there is no place for alcohol except in the radiator.

Our educators are in favor of Alcohol Education and so are our leaders in government who give the matter any thought. Mrs. Bordwell and I will be glad to help organize wherever possible either by a visit or by correspondence. We must not be discouraged but work harder than ever and through educated and trained young people, bring our state back to prohibition and make it clean and wholesome. May God give us strength to do His will along this line!

Mrs. H. J. Perry, Hillsboro

The wonderful love and light,
The fulness and the glory,
The meaning and the might,
Of all the Christmas story,
May Christ Himself unfold to you today,
And bid you go rejoicing on your way.

Frances Ridley Havergal.

INTRODUCING OUR NEW STATE DIRECTORS

Whose Letters Follow:

Scientific Temperance Instruction

Dear Sister Workers:

In this my first letter to you I feel very humble in attempting to write but with common cause so near to each one's heart we should understand each other. This subject has recently assumed a much greater importance in the minds of many who have been apparently indifferent. The Outlines and Aids for Alcohol Education have been sent to all local presidents or directors and I trust they have been duly received and will be of much help.

There is a splendid opportunity for those who are parents of children in our public schools to cooperate with the teachers and lead them to understand we expect them to promote temperance by scientific teaching, precept and example. There has never been a time in history when the need for such teaching was as great as now when drunkenness is such a menace to human life and happiness through traffic and industrial accidents.

This year, Temperance Day in schools came on January 15, when state examinations were being held in many schools, thus eliminating the opportunity for a temperance program. In case this was true in your community, we would suggest to teachers or county superintendents the setting apart of another day for such a program.

Let us not forget the Broadcast on Alcohol Education by Miss Palmer for the first meeting in March. It is of vital importance and should constitute a real rally to the cause of temperance education.

Service to others, work for the world Give us a purpose in life;
Let us go forward with banners unfurled

To take a brave place in the strife.
Strife against wrong and injustice,
Strife against all that defies;
Oh, grant us Thy strength for our purpose

To stand in the face of all trials.
New courage we need for this service,
New wisdom to stem the great tide
Of foes to the health of our nation
Which menace on every side.

Our Father, we pray Thee to help us,
To strengthen, to cheer and to guide
In fields that are narrow or wide.

Mrs. Flora Day, State Director
Medina, N. D.

Exhibits and Fairs

Dear White Ribboners:

We are looking forward with great hopes and expectations to 1937 and to what we may be able to do to counteract the damaging displays of hard liquor on every hand. Through this department I hope we may be able to show many disinterested people what this organization is and some of the things we do. "Seeing is Believing."

The exhibit in Alcohol Education which I have sent to every union in the state is a wonderful way to bring before the eyes of the people what alcohol is and what it does. This exhibit can be made with very little work and expense. It is very impressive and I hope that every union will try to show it somewhere this year and that it may also be shown at district conventions.

While it is not always possible to have an exhibit at state or county fair, a window display is effective and catches many an eye. I suggest that you exhibit the posters made in your poster contest at every opportunity, for of course you will have a poster contest. After you have done these things, please report them to me that I may have a good report to give at state convention in the fall. I shall

hope for a report from every union of some work done in this important department.

I wish you all a very prosperous New Year and great success in whatever you do.

Mrs. R. L. Thoreson, State Director
Northwood, N. D.

Evangelistic and Sabbath Observance

Dear White Ribboners:

Does it seem to you since wet victories were won in so many ways and in so many places that you want to relax your efforts and cease your prayers? Are you saying or tempted to say deep down in your heart, that God did not hear your prayers? Then I want you to read the third chapter of Daniel and take heart. We believe that our God will deliver us; but if not, we shall do right and take the consequences. It is glorious to trust in God in the dark as well as in the light and go straight forward in the path of duty.

I'm calling your attention to the work of the Evangelistic and Sabbath Observance department. One of the most dangerous tricks of the enemy is a determined effort to shake our faith in the righteousness of our cause. It is the privilege of the directors of this department to keep the Crusade fires burning brightly and to remind our people that this movement was born of God and that we are working under His guidance. We will talk and write letters, and pray and work, and give and pay dues and organize with renewed zeal. We give the liquor traffic notice that we are STILL fighting.

Let the state blossom with white ribbons as never before. Let every car bear dry stickers or tags. Write letters or interview our United States Senators and Congressmen and our state legislators urging them to use their vote and influence for those measures that will best serve the moral welfare of our state. Organize new unions everywhere. I am sure we shall find the ministers and missionaries ready to lend a hand.

Let us then baptize all work with prayer and follow all prayers with work and one day our glorious cause will prevail and all men will face their tasks with undrugged minds and tempered passions.

From now until the World's convention in June, let us put on a great campaign for the observance of the noonday hour of prayer by every member in our state. Wherever we are, let us stop and breathe a prayer for God's blessing on our great cause and for the destruction of the liquor traffic.

Let us do everything possible to promote the observance of family worship in the homes. Let us have as our goal at least one verse of scripture read and a prayer offered in every home every morning. Let us pray definitely for revival of religion throughout our land. Men and women will neither sell nor drink liquor after they have had a change of heart. May the revival fire begin in our own hearts and in our state!

Affectionately yours,
Mrs. Glenn D. Isaacson
Grenora, N. D.

MESSAGE FROM MRS. NORRIS

Since the inception of Religious Education as a department into our great work, its need has never been greater than at the present time. Everywhere there are rampant forces at the deadly task of luring our young people away from the better things of life—even the children in the home are not free from their nefarious influence.

How can we as Christian people, working through our Christian organizations, combat the education being forced upon us through liquor adver-

tisements over radio, in the press and magazines? A few of these are refusing such advertisements even though losing money thereby. Let us be loyal to such by giving them our patronage whenever possible.

So often we hear the cry—"What can we do?" I would say, first perhaps, ally ourselves with those forces that are working for the betterment of humanity, that are aiding in building the Kingdom of God here on earth. There are many such. The church is emphasizing adult education in temperance in a sane and scientific way and is cooperating with the Woman's Christian Temperance Union by serving as a medium for the distribution of their splendid literature.

As leaders and teachers we would be wise in our approach to youth regarding the facts about drinking in moderation or excess. We must be fair and tolerant of their opinions even though our patience may sometimes be tried thereby. They have been told that drinking is a personal matter. They have listened to favorable arguments from men and women in high positions. The movies have done much to place social drinking in a favorable light and to give the impression that it pep's up the party.

I like Lady Astor's retort to this as she says: "When I'm having a good time I want to know it."

Roy Dickerson in the International Journal of Religious Education advises Christian workers to be as adept in teaching temperance as are the supporters of the liquor traffic in their line. He calls attention to their attractive billboard and magazine advertisements by which they make a clever appeal to the universal desire for a fuller life; to the effect of persistent association with things we consciously or unconsciously desire, which is the strength of the liquor propaganda. Constantly they associate drinking with ruddy cheeks, beautiful women, cut glass, athletic vigor, comfort in hot weather, abounding health, etc. He says we should use psychological principles and fortunately we need not distort facts to do so. But time, thought and energy are necessary. It's a game and we must win. Thomas Alfred Tripp tells us that religious leaders are showing renewed interest in the liquor problem. He claims that youth is interested though not excited over the problem but that they do want to know the facts—what is its social and economic significance?

Youth demands action and several church boards have prepared facts which young people may use for fireside discussion, small beginnings perhaps, but good is just as contagious as evil and eventually much more powerful. John Haynes Holmes, in the Christian Century, on the Third Year of Repeal, says "Despite the pre-repeal argument that repeal would lower liquor consumption, the third year of repeal shows startling increase in drinking, both moderate and excessive, occasional and regular. He says drinking is increasing to such an extent as to break all records as shown by statistics from public records, etc. All this might be utterly discouraging were it not for the fact that the wets are becoming discouraged and one of their writers is afraid the shock will carry us back to prohibition within a year."

Discouraged? No, let us take new hope, trusting in God's eternal promises. "As I was with Moses I will be with thee. I will not fail thee nor forsake thee." The Lord of Hosts is with us—we cannot fail. Like Phoenix of old, a better organization will rise from the dead ashes and we will bring about the abolition of the greatest foe to idealistic living. God speed the day!

Mrs. G. E. Norris, state director
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IMPORTANT PUBLICITY THEMES

During the past year splendid progress has been made in Publicity, as evidenced by the practical activities of Nation, State and Local Unions. Never before has this department had such a great opportunity to put across its program as this year presents.

Our 1937 plan embraces three most important themes:

- (1). The National Temperance Education Fund;
- (2). The World's Convention;
- (3). Results of Re-legalizing Liquor.

The campaign for our National Temperance Education Fund gives us almost unlimited opportunities to acquaint others with what we are trying to do in an educational line. A study of "Questions and Answers" sent out to all leaders in this campaign will give us a good foundation with which to work in publicizing our interests. Then when the campaign is over let us not forget all those who have helped but let us see to it that they are informed occasionally as to what is being done with the money they gave—"interest" on the sum invested.

The World's Convention to be held in Washington, D. C. in June gives us a fine chance for local publicity. Take it up at the local meetings and get all members interested in this wonderful event. Then when the convention is over and the reports of the fifty-three countries made public let us discuss them and incorporate all the helpful ideas we can into our own local work. Probably few of our weekly papers will have a write-up of this event unless we as public directors see that the editors get the material.

We can see the results of re-legalized liquor on every hand. Whenever we can let us assemble facts as to these results: the influence of liquor on our young people, how it makes drinkers out of former non-drinkers, the increasing drunkenness, the increasing traffic accidents and deaths, cases of alcoholism sent to cures,—every phase of such study should be made public.

Let us get a new vision of the importance of W.C.T.U. publicity, then will follow a new energy and an increasing opportunity for progress in this important work.

—Nellie M. Cross

THE TAVERNS VISITED

Facts Noted by Expert Observers

"Approximately 40 per cent of all patrons in the taverns visited were women and girls," reported Miss Jessie F. Binford, executive director of the Juvenile Protective Association, after a three months survey of the taverns of Chicago. "The taverns opened at a time when thousands of girls and young women were out of work and they had to take any kind of employment whether they liked it or not. To sell their liquor and attract patrons tavern-keepers need girls, the younger the better."

Miss Binford said there were 9,014 retail liquor establishments in Chicago, of which 1,176 were visited. A total of 3,796 violations of state or city liquor control laws and ordinances were observed.

"Many taverns turned off most of the lights after the closing hour and continued serving drinks to the patrons and entertaining them in darkness."

"374 taverns—selling liquor or beer after 1:00 a. m. on week days and after 2:00 a. m. on Sundays. Many open as late as 5:00 a. m. and the owners of some boast, 'we never close.'

"83 taverns—persons who appeared to be minors employed as waitresses,

TOBACCO TRADE OFFERS SCHOLARSHIP

Offering boys and girls of sixteen or older, college scholarships ranging in value from \$50.00 to \$500,000 as reward for writing the best two-hundred-word essays on such subjects as "Cigars—Why More Young Men Are Smoking Them," and "Cigars—Why They Aid in Relaxation and Mental Stimulation," the Cigar Progress Board, Inc., of New York City, has just closed a nation-wide competition, in the announcement of which, the narcotic trade spokesmen "stressed" the assertion that Daniel C. Beard, founder and Chief Scout of the Boy Scouts of America, Mrs. Frederick Edey, President of the Girl Scouts, and Mrs. Robert B. Russell, the (then) president of the United Parents' Associations of New York City, were "identified with the judging organization," according to a statement by the Research Department of the National W. C. T. U. T.

For the exposure of this utterly brazen and unscrupulous attempt of one division of the tobacco business to invade the home, fifty million fathers and mothers of America are indebted to the frank and fearless news policy of the "International Daily," the Christian Science Monitor, in which the facts were given in its issue of Wednesday, September 16.

As detailed by the New York staff correspondent of the Monitor, Chief Boy Scout Beard, former Girl Scout President, Mrs. Edey, and past president Mrs. Robert B. Russell, of United Parents' Association of New York City, on September 14 issued a statement to the effect that the linking of their names by inference with the judgeship of the contest was unauthorized.

It appeared that the cigar trade scholarships were offered under the alleged sponsorship of the American Student Foundation, of which these three leaders are honorary directors. But the facts reveal that these three directors had never been specifically informed of the plan, the legitimacy of which was stoutly defended by Mrs. Bessie Clarke Drouet, president of the Foundation.—National W.C.T.U. Release.

When God gave me existence,
He also gave a task.
If I can find and do that work,
'Tis all I need to ask.
Endeavoring to perform it
In such a noble way,
That He will grant me rich rewards
At His great judgment day.

hostesses, entertainers, or in some other capacity.

"547 taverns—selling liquor to patrons whose behavior obviously indicated they were intoxicated.

"344 taverns—selling liquor or beer to patrons who appeared to be minors.

"300 taverns—patronized by women without escorts. (Practically all unescorted women patronizing taverns may be classed as 'gold diggers,' prostitutes, or those merely 'out for a good time.')

"96 taverns—wherein immoral, vulgar or suggestive entertainment was in progress.

"We find not only the evils of the old saloon in our modern taverns but a host of new evils as well."

In closing, the Juvenile Protective Association's executive puts the onus for present-day conditions not alone on city officials and police but on the citizens because of their lack of interest and of cooperation with those agencies which are trying to clean up the city in behalf of youth.

—Educational Press Bureau,
Evanston, Illinois

AN ENEMY AT LARGE

Calling all cars! Calling all cars! Public Enemy Number One is known to be at all bars and saloons and must be gotten out of the State before he gets any farther advanced!

Who is Public Enemy Number One? What is he guilty of? Why it's John Barleycorn! He is a robber, a murderer, a menace to society, and a coward!

He robs people of their alertness and good thinking. He robs them of the money that should be spent for food and other necessities, as well as for education and culture.

He is a murderer, because it is his fault that three-fourths of the accidents on the highways occur. Many people die of alcohol poisoning. Every now and then one hears of people being killed in drunken brawls.

Alcohol makes a person lose his self-respect. When one has lost his self-respect, his usefulness to society ceases and he is little better than an animal.

Only a coward would do the things that alcohol is guilty of making a person do. It works in an under-handed way. The first few drinks seem to help; but after a while, alcohol turns traitor and proves to be an enemy.

It goes without saying that no one wants anything to do with John Barleycorn, Public Enemy Number One. So let's all get together and run him out of our country and keep him out!

Clyde Hoffman, Jamestown, N. D.
(This essay received too late for contest. —Ed.)

Why My Mother and Father Should Vote Against Hard Liquor

November Third

I think my mother and father should vote against hard liquor because alcohol is a poison to the body and hard liquor has lots of alcohol in it. If people who drive automobiles drink liquor, it is often the cause of accidents. Sometimes the people who don't drink are hurt in these accidents the same as the ones who drink. Some kinds of liquor make people blind. When people spend their money for liquor they don't have money to spend for things they need. If the father spends his money for drink, then his children do not have what they should to eat and wear, and they can't pay their other bills. If all the mothers and fathers vote against liquor the people who would drink would find it harder to buy liquor in North Dakota, and they would spend their money for things that will do them good. So I think my father and mother, and all the other fathers and mothers should vote dry, and then the children of North Dakota will be happier and stronger.

Barbara Jane Weiss, age 9
109 9th St. So., Fargo, N. D.
(This essay received honorable mention.)

PROSPERITY AND LIQUOR

Last year Americans spent \$2,073,000,000 for liquor. The amount expended for alcoholic beverages in the United States since prohibition is estimated at eight billion dollars.

Future generations who must pay our relief bills and for the prosperity from government spending will be interested to remember where some of the money went.

CHEER

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

"Right forever on the scaffold,
Wrong forever on the throne,
Yet the scaffold sways the future
And behind the dim unknown
Standeth God within the shadows
Keeping watch above His own."

The Union Signal Offers for the Annual March Subscription Drive

Object: To provide information on the purpose and use of the National Temperance Education Fund; to create and foster a wider interest in the development of all phases of the constructive educational plan and its many ramifications, as adopted by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

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With ten yearly subscriptions to Union Signal with ten dollars (\$10.00) to pay for same will be awarded three boxes beautifully engraved W.C.T.U. Tremont Vellum Correspondence paper (25 sheets with envelopes in each box).

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