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"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH"

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THE SECRET

I met God in the morning,
When my day was at its best;
And His Presence came like sunrise
With glory in my breast.

All day long the Presence lingered,
All day long He stayed with me;
And we sailed in perfect calmness
O'er a very troubled sea.

Other ships were blown and battered,
Other ships were sore distressed,
But the winds that seemed to drive
them,
Brought to us both peace and rest.

Then I thought of other mornings,
With a keen remorse of mind,
When I, too, had loosed the moorings,
With the Presence left behind.

So I think I know the secret,
Learned from many a troubled way;
You must seek Him in the morning,
If you want Him through the day.
—Ralph Cushman.

"OUR JOB"

Annual Address of the State President, Mrs. Fred M. Wanner

In this our forty-eighth annual convention, it is a great pleasure to be entertained in your beautiful and hospitable city. During the seven years since we met here in annual convention, much history has been made in our state, and some of which we are not proud. Eight times in a little over four years, we were on the battle front against king Alcohol and on Nov. 3, 1936, went down in defeat. Why? Because so many were not on the "job."

Clinton B. Howard said "The dry saint and wet sinner who vote the same ticket are responsible for the legalized liquor traffic" and "Prohibition needs only to get the church members off the devil's territory to recover every inch of dry territory." Had each professing Christian in our state gone to the polls last Nov. 3rd and voted against legalized liquor, we would have won by a large majority. Those who did not vote are just as responsible as those who did. We must thank the many ministers in our state who did cooperate so heartily with the Consolidated Drys.

Our Mrs. DeYo gave us these lines: "Disheartened? No!
What seems like blackest night
Is but the shadow hour before the dawn.

Our faith in God and Home and Native land

Still gives us impetus to carry on.
With ardor burning like a living flame
We'll fight Rum's forces, owning no defeat;

While trusting in the One who cannot fail

Our bugle call shall never sound retreat"

"Nothing is ever settled until it is settled right" and we are still in the fight for the right finish, and with



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President North Dakota W. C. T. U.

even greater faith and determination, with God's help we shall overcome this great evil. We shall continue, with undaunted faith and courage, for the sake of our splendid children and young people, until North Dakota and our United States, are again free from this legalized curse.

Spiritual Life

We, as citizens, must get back to our Heavenly Father's teachings and more closely follow in his footsteps. We are our brother's keeper and we are told "Neither to eat meat nor drink wine nor anything whereby thy brother stumbleth or is offended or is made weak." Can the Christian home serve cocktails and so help to form the drink habit? Should a Christian drink alcoholic liquors which cause so many to stumble? No!

Our national leaders have stressed the deepening of the spiritual life in our Five-Point program placing it first, reminding us that our organization was born through prayer. The beverage alcohol question is as old as history. Many a nation has fallen because of its curse. We must save our nation by keeping alive the sacred fires of prayer, faith, courage, consecration and sacrifice which were kindled by our Crusade mothers. Prayer is the one weapon we can wield of which our opponents have no knowledge. Let us pray for a revival of religion that shall spread throughout our land. Then we shall have prohibition in state and nation that will last.

Peace

During these tense days when war seems "just around the corner," it behooves us to "think on these things." As Senator Morris Sheppard told us at the World's convention, "War and beverage alcohol imperil the foundations of progress. Both destroy the resources of humanity into channels of economic waste. Both are agencies of destruction. War works with steel and flame—beverage alcohol

with narcotic poison. All the efforts we may make for domestic good may be dissipated and destroyed in flaming conference of war. It will take a sober world to make a peaceful world. The future course of civilization is a race between world peace and catastrophe." We stand for a policy of defense only—only establishing agencies of warfare necessary to defend our land from actual invasion. We must do all possible to keep another world war from getting started, help solve the problem of economic nationalism such as tariff adjustments, availability of raw materials, as there will be no peace unless there is economic justice. Our youth stand for peace, women and girls stand for peace, so let us talk, pray and work for peace as we never have done before. The real solution of the whole question is religion. "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." This would make war impossible.

Motion Pictures

The World's convention brought home to us most forcibly not only the influence for character building that the movies have upon our youth and adults but their influence upon our nations. Mrs. Shilston Watkins of England, World Director Motion Pictures, said "Motion pictures are so largely yours in the United States," and Mrs. Pruden of China said: "The movies are doing more to influence our youth than the missionaries can ever do." We are therefore "working for federal regulation of motion pictures in interstate and international commerce, not alone to protect our own boys and girls but in an effort to protect the youth of all lands. The pictures are better but there is still much room for improvement. The Christian Century and other accredited papers and Motion Picture reports will give you lists of pictures rated as "poor," "good," or "excellent." Of the nearly 500 feature pictures produced last year, Harrison's report gives only thirty-eight that are rated either "very good" or "excellent." This closely coincides with those appraised by the National Estimate Service and other leading critics. However we personally feel about the movies, they are here and can be made of great educational value; but we should study our department of literature, write our Congressmen, asking them to support bills recommended by our national director or by Dr. Izora Scott in her letter to the Union Signal. Do not attend movies that you know nothing about and urge others not to do so either.

Praise the picture to the manager when you can or tactfully tell him your objections. Thus, the fourth great character forming agency in modern life continues to present a problem to the other three—the home, the church and the school—hence we must urge discrimination by public education and to acquaint the people with the social issues involved.

Advertising

\$25,000,000 was spent by liquor interests last year for advertising to promote liquor drinking. As they announce in their trade magazines "The leading purpose is to create new markets by turning abstainers into drinkers, chiefly women and young people" and already the consequences are apparent and appalling. Editorials in trade journals of the liquor industry and addresses at their conventions state such objectives as these—"To get more people to drink beer—not people to drink more beer;" "Make youth liquor-conscious;" "Make it smart to drink;" Devote one week each month creating advertising with women customers exclusively in mind; show housewives how to serve beer; give her Dutch menus; for the Lenten season an item stating that Easter egg-nogs would be served at bars; a picture of Santa Claus "swigging" whiskey; a brand of whiskey called "Old Quaker."

No less objectionable is the practice of tying liquor up with some historical event or character, the use of the picture of the President of the United States in a three-fourths page advertisement pointing out the benefits of repeal. Again a large picture of the President crediting "his dauntless courage and leadership" with the re-birth of a great American industry; and finally a striking likeness of President Roosevelt on a palatial yacht with a partially emptied glass of liquor in his hand. This latter called forth a request for an apology and withdrawal. The dead cannot protest and so we have featured William Penn as a brewer; George Washington as distiller; John Adams as the grandson of a brewer; Samuel Adams as a brewer, using also many names and pictures of Patrick Henry, Thomas Jefferson; James Madison, Paul Jones and even urged that on Decoration Day we "drink a toast to those heroes who fell in defense of this country." Even Uncle Sam sits on the edge of the world with rulers of other nations drinking toasts with "Here's How!" Atrocious!

Advertising over radio, into our very homes, is arousing people to its danger. The paraphrasing of Lincoln's Gettysburg address by a clever showman on the radio, so aroused Rep. Francis D. Culkin that he introduced a bill in Congress to prohibit all advertising of liquor over radio. This bill—H. R. 3140—is worthy of the support of every patriotic citizen of the United States, says Dr. Izora Scott, our national legislative director. Liquor advertising by radio should be banned just as advertising of gambling and lotteries is banned. The mother cannot run to the radio whenever the liquor advertising comes on; so the children come to take liquor as a matter of course which is just what the brewers want. Linking up sport news and other

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EVANGELISTIC DEPT.

Mrs. Lem Gilreath

Giving to Jesus

Perhaps no miracle of Christ more tenderly shows His compassion and love than His feeding the multitude. Certainly no incident could more clearly show their devotion to Him, than the fact of their staying near Him, so absorbed in His talks, so carried away with His personality, so self-forgetful, that they were exhausted from fatigue and hunger before they realized it.

To the disciples' entreaty: "Send them away, Master!" Jesus replied: "Give ye them to eat!" How fraught is all this with meaning; what food for thought. "Bring what you have to Me" was the Master's thought, and how foolish it seemed—only five loaves and two small fishes! They obeyed Him; they brought what they had and the multitude was fed!

Oh, my sisters, my friends, if we would only take what we have to Jesus, the world would be brought to Him! If in our principles of purity and right and temperance, and God would girdle the globe. He took what they brought and blessed and break and gave and all were satisfied and an abundant feast was left over.

What you have may seem so small—only a spoken word, only a tract given away, only stopping before you leave home to pin on your white bow. The spoken word may win a soul to Christ, the tract may save a life from drink, and your wearing the ribbon may turn some one to a thought of our cause and the necessity for our work and win us a member.

Don't be careless about your white bow. I find so few who wear it constantly. Perhaps our work is at a low ebb all over the nation; many think so. I firmly believe if every member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union would put on their bows and take pride in them, there would be a revival of interest in the cause.

I was in Indianapolis some years ago and was standing in the lobby of a hotel waiting for a friend. A young man came up to me and reverently touched the bow on my coat. His eyes were full of tears. He said: "Madam, pardon me, but that bow brings to me the tenderest memories on earth. My mother wore one always, and when I looked at her in her casket, I saw they had pinned on her dress a white bow!" I said, "Son, are you following the principles for which the white bow stands?" He said, "Under God, day after day, I am striving to live as my mother would have me live!"

Wear your white ribbons.—N. C. White Ribbon.

"One of the best things to have "up your sleeve" is a funny-bone."

"Don't expect to enjoy the cream of life if you keep your milk of human kindness all bottled up."

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

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news has brought a storm of protest from coaches, teachers and citizens and the distilled spirits industry announced that they would not use the radio for advertising hard liquor. The beer industry made no such announcement and their advertising comes in to our homes. Have YOU made a protest? A brewer is quoted as saying: "There is no question but that the newspapers of the country editorially and in the news columns, have been a tower of strength in the upbuilding of a revived business." When you know an editor who refuses to take advertising which pays so well, DO give him praise.

However, many have overstepped the law by making false statements, claiming that distilled spirits will contribute to the mental or physical well-being of the consumer, or that spirits can be taken in moderate quantities without any detrimental effects.

The F. F. A. Administration has several times called attention to the fact that this is prohibited by the requirements of Article VI Section (a) I of Regulation No. 5. The Federal Trade Commission took up the question of false and misleading advertising which claimed that beer was non-fattening. The case was closed Aug. 1936 when the companies agreed to cease and desist. Closing of Interstate commerce to liquor advertising is necessary to make state regulation effective. We must urge our Congressmen to support the Capper and Culklin bills, urging a speedy enactment of the law. Let us not fail to do so. You may be surprised that I have taken so much time with liquor advertising but we feel it is a great menace and has had and is having a strong influence in promoting liquor drinking.

Traffic Accidents

The National Safety Council frankly says: "Accurate data as to the number of liquor-caused accidents and deaths is very hard to obtain," adding "the true situation is understated by an unknown amount." The Press has been much more outspoken as to the part that liquor drinking has in these accidents. The United States News of July 19 devoted its front page feature to this problem. The large headlines announced, "Highway Toll of Dead and Injured, caused by Drink, Doubles in Three Years" (since repeal). The News continues, "Proportionately there was nine times as large an increase in number of traffic fatalities and injuries involving pedestrians and motorists who had been drinking as in the casualties involving pedestrians and motorists who did not drink." Again quoting the National Safety Council, "The use of alcohol is a major rather than a minor factor in traffic accidents." In Germany, the Berlin Police department gives this warning to motorists: "The smallest quantities of alcohol are injurious to the motor driver."

It is a widespread error that small quantities of liquor have no deleterious effect. On the contrary, they cause at first an increase in self-confidence, followed by premature fatigue and thus weaken his capacity for swift discrimination and reaction in the presence of danger. A large portion of motor accidents is due to the consumption of quite small quantities of alcohol. Dr. Herman A. Heise, Milwaukee, at the American Medical Association in Atlantic City, June 19, 1937, in a committee report on the problem of motor vehicle accidents, said, "The relation of alcohol to traffic accidents demands further study. It is a surprising fact that the excess in number of accidents over the excess in the number as calculated from traffic volume corresponds to the peak in alcohol accidents as con-

firmed by chemical examinations. If the present rate of slaughter continues, one out of every twenty persons in the United States will be injured or killed in a motor accident within the next five years." More startling yet he said "Unless some drastic means of combatting traffic accidents is instituted, two out of every three children now living will be injured or killed."

Schools are cooperating in our state and in others with the Highway Commissioners who get their posters and outlined lessons from the National Safety Council. Let us see that every high school has Coach Andy Kerr's attractive poster and with other literature let us aid schools in teaching the menace that alcohol drinking is to drivers and to pedestrians.

Educational Fund

We are on the last lap of our first half of this fund. Some unions have not been able to do anything and we have marveled at many of the unions that have sent in their quota when we know their community crop conditions. Where thoroughly understood, the money has generally been raised. Our share of this fund is used for educational work in our own state. Six road signs have been ordered and our Safety Engineer of the Highway commission has kindly consented to place them near road houses in the vicinity of Valley City, Bismarck and Dickinson. These signs call attention to the danger of drunken driving.

We must stress medal contests, alcohol education, poster and essay contests, as through this work we contact others including members of contestants' families, whom we would not reach in any other way. Send for and distribute more of our splendid literature. At the World's convention I realized as never before, the important place held by United States with the rest of the world, how the other nations are watching us and their work is helped or hindered by ours. Korea said: "Our work has been ten times as hard since your repeal." We can raise our quota and let this be our goal—"Our whole quota by 1939;" not only to celebrate the centenary anniversary of our beloved Frances Willard but because it will be our Golden Jubilee—the 50th anniversary of the North Dakota W. C. T. U.

Repeal

Four years have passed since prohibition was the law in our land and, at present, 4,000 or more preventive agents are employed to protect legal distilleries, from untaxed competition, by bootleggers. We remember all the promises that were made—temperance to be encouraged, liquor advertisements to be restrained, no urging to drink, dry states protected, etc. Now, even wets are cautioning each other to be a little more careful or we shall have prohibition back. Has repeal been effective for good in any particular? There is an alarming increase in alcoholic consumption both moderately and to excess. The annual report of the Keeley Institute shows that more patients were treated there during 1936 than during any other twelve months for thirty years and you remember that prohibition fairly put them out of business. The prisons of Washington, D. C., received for drunkenness almost two and one half times as many prisoners in 1936.

The city of Boston is spending \$400,000 annually to salvage drunkards in Boston City Hospital, 5,000 cases being admitted in 1936, 1,000 of them in a coma. Our hospitals everywhere report that their emergency work has taken on a new and distressing aspect since repeal.

The War Department records show that 50,510 American soldiers were killed in action or died from wounds in the World War. In the last ten years, 323,016 persons have been kil-

led in traffic, whereas only 244,357 men died for their country in all our armed conflicts from the Revolutionary War to the present time. The Safety Council says that alcohol is the major cause of present highway accidents.

Dr. Edward C. Rosenow of the Mayo Clinic and one of the most scientific and best known men in the medical world says, "The use of alcohol as a beverage by human beings is never justified. There is no such thing as the right use of beverage alcohol." Our nation, to its shame, has gone into the Rum business in the Virgin Islands, having spent under W. P. A. \$2,520,000 for purchase and to get the government plant in shape to manufacture rum; and a call has been sent out for a Rum Institute by a score or more of producers of both domestic and imported rum. This call includes executives of the government rum plant. The institute plans an "educative campaign as its objective, to convince the public that rum is an excellent year-round drink and to publicize the many cocktails and other drinks in which it can be used."

There are approximately 430,000 saloons now operating in the United States. The age of consent at which young people become legal game for the saloon, has been lowered in many states from 21 to 18 years. A new development is the popularity of the cocktail room which is crowded with women, and of the beer tavern and road house which make a particular appeal to young people. Christian people are insulted by the invasion of their homes by drink advertisers who use the radio. Since repeal, crime has increased and is steadily increasing; drunken driving has increased and is increasing; many drunken arrests are made and many more should be made. "Ne'er-do-wells" and "Won't work's" are equally with the honest unfortunates on relief funds which they promptly pour into the till of the beer parlor or saloon. Bootlegging is more rampant than during prohibition.

We must raise our Temperance Education Fund so that our state and nation can better educate our young people as to the real character of beer and all alcoholic drinks. Read our Union Signal—become better informed so that we may correctly inform others, stressing the fact that—only "total abstinence from things harmful is temperance." Inform yourselves and get more of these statistics into our papers. Demand that the federal government give a fair deal—the fulfillment of promises; made to serve the cause of temperance; to do away with saloons, etc. Fight liquor advertising as unjustified under any theory and attack the profit motive behind the liquor traffic.

We are so proud of our membership gain this year. People are waking up to the awful danger confronting us. Elsewhere you will hear about our attractive and educative membership plans for the coming year, so appropriately symbolizing the building of the wonderful bridge between San Francisco and Oakland giving places to work as Diver, Rigger, Bridgeman and Master Builder.

It was Theodore Roosevelt who said: "In the unending strife for civic betterment, small is the use of those people who mean well but who mean well feebly. The man who counts is the man who makes himself felt as a force for decency, a force for clean living, a force for righteousness."

Jesus said: "And he that taketh not his cross and followeth after Me is not worthy of Me." He did not promise His followers an easy time, but He did give us each a challenge and then that wonderful promise: "Teaching them to observe whatsoever I have commanded you: and Lo! I AM

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**TREASURER'S REPORT
FOR YEAR 1936-1937**

Balance in Bank	
Sept. 10, 1936.....	\$ 506.09
Bonds	1,000.00
Total	\$1,506.09
Receipts	
Wm's dues 1,013.60	
Willard dues 32.00	
Y. T. C. dues 15.50	
L. T. L. dues 37.50	
Total dues	\$1,098.60
Budget	\$1,001.89
District pledges	80.00
Convention fees	65.00
Convention collec- tions	89.51
Life and Memorial members	20.00
State reports sold....	9.60
White Ribbon Bul- letin subscriptions	3.50
Anna Gordon Mis- sionary fund	6.46
Medals	24.70
Interest	58.39
Penny fund	15.70
National Temper- ance Educational fund	983.90
Miscellaneous	541.61
Total	\$4,003.86
Total	\$5,509.95
Disbursements	
Headquarters ex- pense	\$1,089.66
White Ribbon Bul- letin	383.20
Literature	23.55
Postage	111.57
Bank charges	10.91
Printing and sup- plies	120.07
National women's dues	148.00
National L.T.L. dues	18.75
National Y.T.C. dues	3.10
Expense State, Na- tional conventions, Mid-Year	173.53
Appropriations for state officers	570.00
Efficiency director's expense	13.75
Medals	19.20
Willard Memorial ...	56.00
Stevens legislative...	28.00
Anna Gordon Mis- sionary fund	6.46
Savings	300.00
Penny fund	14.20
Light Line District (Minot)	5.00
National Temper- ance Educational fund	1,013.49
Miscellaneous	38.11
Total	\$4,146.55
Balance in Bank Sept. 10, 1937	\$ 363.40
Bonds	1,000.00
Total	\$1,363.40
Total	\$5,509.95

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WITH YOU ALWAYS, even unto the end of the world." May each heart in our beloved state hear the call and make it "Our Job;" feel a personal responsibility as to alcohol education and may we unitedly work for the overthrow of the liquor traffic in our state and nation. May we each say with Paul: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

There is a destiny which makes us brothers,—none lives to self alone. All that we send into the lives of others comes back into our own.

—Edwin Markham

**THE ALCOHOL PROBLEM
CAN NO LONGER
BE IGNORED**

On January 10, 1934, Dr. W. J. Mayo, one of the best known surgeons in the world, addressed a staff meeting of the Mayo clinic at Rochester, Minnesota, on the subject, "The Medical Profession Must Study the Alcoholic Problem." In the course of this address Dr. Mayo made the oft-quoted statement:

"The 70 per cent of drinkers who do not become addicts in the sense that we ordinarily understand the term, as well as the addicts, sometimes develop changes in the liver and the vascular and nervous systems later in life, which we have reason to believe are a late result of alcohol."

The remainder of the address has had much less attention than its important warrants. Dr. Mayo said:

WATER VS. ALCOHOL

"Many years ago, when I was abroad, a fine supply of pure water had just been brought down from the mountains into one of the great cities in which I studied, and when I visited the city again 10 years later, I was told that the per capita consumption of alcoholic drinks had spontaneously been reduced 40 per cent; no one gave the fact any particular thought. In the old days, and to some extent perhaps even now, if one went into the Latin countries, one drank the common wine of the country because it was not safe to drink water. In the Teutonic countries, for the same reason, beer was the common drink. England got its tea habit, and not a bad one, because boiling the impure water sterilized it. Hot milk has always been served a great deal abroad. Americans have thought it was because Europeans like hot milk, but perhaps it has been an unconscious resort to boiling milk to make it safer for human consumption.

"One can well see why the people from the Mediterranean countries especially, who never had used water to drink, and many of whom had not applied it too often externally, on coming to this country felt that they had been denied a necessity when wine was not available.

"Fortunately in our country a pure water supply is to be found generally, and today the great cities abroad have an ample supply of pure drinking water. In London and Edinburgh and other large cities of Great Britain there is a generous supply of good water, and the saloons, called pubs or bars, are disappearing. Not long ago it was shown that 28,000 bars had been closed in Great Britain in a relatively short time for lack of profitable operation. The hours of opening the bars in England are from ten to twelve in the morning, from two to four in the afternoon, and from eight to ten in the evening, and, unlike America, the laws are observed. It is evident that what we ordinarily call the common man does not have the opportunity that he has had in the past to drink on the way to and from work. And it is a rather suggestive fact that the temperance movement in those big cities abroad with fine water supply is relatively much stronger than in the small communities that do not have pure water. In the old days, at home or abroad, if a man wanted a drink of water, he had no place to get it. He could not ask for it in the bars, and if he did, probably the only water in the saloon would be that used for washing glasses.

"Many years ago, long before the Prohibition law was enacted, a citizen in a large American city made many millions of dollars. It happened that there had just been brought into that city a splendid water supply, and it occurred to this man that it would be fitting, to express his appreciation of

**PRESIDENT'S
RECOMMENDATIONS**

We are thankful for the strength, opportunity for service and the blessings our heavenly Father has granted us during the past year. May we each claim His promise for the year ahead!

1. For the coming year, let us emphasize the spiritual part of our work more than we have done. By deepening the spiritual life of our members; by enlarging our Christian relation to the community; emphasizing the spiritual nature of the temperance question; organizing prayer groups. This means a closer relation with the church that Christian people may see the temperance question has a place in it.

2. This is the fourth year of our special Five-Point, Five-Year joint program with the National W. C. T. U. Complete understanding of the program is vital. Every local union must know why each fund is created and for what spent, that each member may have an intelligent interest in the progress, and satisfaction in the results, of a work which is only possible when all work together.

3. The National Temperance Education Fund will finance the special program of education. We have ours nearly half raised and must make a greater effort to raise the full amount. The slogan adopted at the World's convention was "A Million Dollars by San Francisco."

4. The National W. C. T. U. recommends: (a) That we continue the plans adopted last year—"Every member make a gift and secure five more;" that these gifts be secured before Christmas as the work needs the funds. (b) That each union prepare an exhibit for Sunday schools, public schools, convention and other gatherings, exhibiting the nature and effects of alcohol and also demonstrating the character of our educational program. (c) That every library have books available for study of "What Alcohol is and What it Does." Examine books in your library on this subject. The Union Signal and Young Crusader should be in the magazine racks in the same kind of covers as other magazines.

5. Literature—No other means of educating public sentiment produces such effect as to regularly read a paper. Therefore let us make special plans to increase our subscriptions to The Union Signal. (b) The Young Crusader should reach as many schools and families as possible. Consider these two papers for Christmas and birthday gifts. (c) Greater use should be made of booklets such as Bertha Rachel Palmer's Syllabus in Alcohol Education. This could be a study book in clubs, young people's groups, Bible classes and neighborhood groups. (d) Make greater use of our literature at fairs, conventions and meetings of every kind. Our national Publishing House at Evanston and our state office at Fargo have literature for every occasion.

6. Cooperation—Many church, social and government programs present opportunities for cooperation with other groups. Try to have a temperance program included, supplying suitable leaflets. This will strengthen

his good fortune, if he established drinking fountains throughout the city. In eighteen months after installation of the fountains, nearly half of the saloons in the city had gone out of business for lack of customers. For this reason people in the liquor business, so I am told, went out one Sunday night and smashed all the fountains in order to restore the conditions that had existed previously."—In the Voice of Board of Temperance and Public Morals of the Methodist Episcopal Church, July, 1937.

our work and acquaint others with it. Assist in the campaign for prevention and cure of venereal diseases now in progress. Also cooperate with Peace organizations and with Parent-Teachers Associations.

7. Organization—Let each union survey its territory and have as its goal: a new union, Y. T. C., Iota Sigma, or a loyal Temperance Legion. All four are possible. (b) Membership—It has been said that the membership of the W. C. T. U. is its measuring stick, used by opponents to indicate the interest of the public in the question. The larger the membership, the more work can be done. National has sent out an attractive plan for a membership campaign beginning Nov. 1. Let the Membership Roll Call be observed the week of Nov. 7-13 and dues of present members secured. Then work for new members which will mean more workers, more friends, more money. We have made a substantial gain this year—let us do better next year.

8. The two years of the observance of the Sesquicentennial of the Constitution of the United States coincide with the last two years of the Frances Willard Centenary period, 1938 and 1939. The National W. C. T. U. is one of the cooperating organizations of this great celebration. Let each union participate in the program which can be taken up under the Citizenship department.

9. Let definite plans be made to carry on a pledge signing campaign. The study of "What alcohol is and what it does" will show necessity for personal abstinence.

10. That the committee appointed to formulate plans for the fitting observance of our Golden Jubilee in 1939 be continued and report at this convention.

11. Brewers' magazines are devoting much space to the W. C. T. U. and their work, completely reprinting some of our leaflets. At close of a lengthy article one of their magazines said: "This is the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and a very thorough job it is doing." With God's help let us together do the job more thoroughly in the year just ahead.

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THE STATE CONVENTION

In Epworth Methodist Episcopal church, Valley City, Sept. 23-25, the 48th annual convention of the North Dakota Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held. Autumn flowers beautified the church and attractive posters were displayed. It was a rare pleasure to welcome our honored guest, Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo, Corresponding secretary of the National W. C. T. U. on her first visit to our state. By her personal charm and wealth of information Mrs. DeYo added much to the convention. Her official contacts and activities include every state in the union as well as Hawaii, Puerto Rico and the Philippines. Arriving on an early train Saturday morning, Mrs. DeYo broadcast an inspirational message for twenty minutes from the local radio station.

Presiding with her usual ability and good cheer was our faithful state president, Mrs. Fred M. Wanner. As toastmistress at the banquet she maintained her reputation for funny stories. Pep songs were led by Mrs. J. L. Hughes, Bismarck and Dr. S. A. Zimmerman, Valley City. Mrs. G. O. Parish was accompanist for the convention. Greetings from the city were brought by Hon. Fred Fredrickson, Mayor, who claimed that Valley City is the best lighted city in the world, that light is the best policeman and helps destroy crime. Rev. H. A. Ofstedal, Lutheran pastor, gave a welcome for the churches, deploring conditions since repeal but stated that the day is coming when Right shall triumph for "By strength shall no man prevail."

Dr. James E. Cox, acting president of State Teachers College, in his welcome address, said he had been a supporter of our work for many years and even in the Suffrage campaign had taken an active part. Prof. G. W. Hanna, city superintendent of schools, regarded our organization as one of the school's best allies. "You have developed one of the greatest institutions in American life for self-restraint and temperance," said Mr. Hanna. "Gather up the heart-strings of the nation and lead us back to sanity." In short, witty addresses, Mrs. Lulu W. Zimmerman welcomed us for the district and Mrs. C. E. Stowell for the local union. Mrs. Frank Beasley, state recording secretary, responded to welcomes in her usual happy and original manner, closing with a poem, "The Valley of the Jim." Prof. Robert Walls of State Teachers College sang two delightful numbers. America was sung and Rev. A. L. Lane pronounced the benediction.

Friday morning the convention was called to order by Mrs. Wanner. After a very helpful worship service conducted by Mrs. C. A. Landgren, Jamestown. Mrs. Flora Day, Medina, led in the flag salute. Mrs. Bessie M. Darling, vice president, led in the responsive reading of the Crusade psalm. The Crusade hymn was sung and the business session began. The president's recommendations will be found elsewhere. The treasurer's report was encouraging and will be found in another column. The corresponding secretary reported a net gain of ninety-one members; twenty-one banner unions were awarded red ribbons; Mrs. A. V. Sheppard, president Grand Forks Scandinavian union, was awarded a prize for best and most comprehensive report; Jamestown won the loving cup for greatest increase in membership; New Rockford was second and Ellendale third. Jamestown has the greatest number of honorary members—43; Northwood had the largest paid L. T. L. membership—51.

When official papers were considered, Mrs. Beasley read an appropriate poem which will be printed later in the Bulletin and a Union Sig-

nal song by the convention followed. The Young Crusader was represented by an L. T. L. group in an exercise entitled "Ten Little Clubmen." During the memorial hour, in charge of the state president, Miss Mildred Davidson sang a beautiful selection and Mrs. Darling placed a basket of flowers in memory of our promoted comrades. Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson, honorary president, voiced the noontide prayer. A luncheon was served in the Lutheran church across the street.

Mrs. G. E. Norris, state director Religious Education, offered prayer at the opening of the afternoon session. An excellent paper on Spiritual Education was read by Mrs. F. A. Landbloom, president Fargo Scandinavian union. The state directors explained the work of their various departments. Mmes. A. D. Ottinger, Irl Carr and L. H. Rhoades delighted the convention with vocal numbers. Echoes from the World's Convention were graphically given by Mrs. E. S. Bordwell, Mrs. C. F. Truax, Mrs. Landgren and Mrs. Wanner. The theme song for the World's Convention—"What the World Needs is Jesus" was sung by the delegates. Mrs. Bordwell reported for the L. T. L. and convention hostesses were introduced. At 6:30 we had dinner in the Congregational church and the program for the evening was given there. Mrs. Darling presided while the president gave her annual address given in this number of the Bulletin. The address was received with a standing vote of thanks. Prof. Arthur Lydell played a pipe organ solo: Wayne Zimmerman sang: "I made of my heart a Temple;" and the trio—Mmes. Ottinger, Carr and Rhoades again favored us. Valley City has excellent musicians.

Saturday morning the district presidents and state directors met in separate conferences. Mrs. J. W. Frisbie opened the business session with prayer. District presidents reported their work of the year. All state officers were re-elected. Saturday afternoon was largely given over to Mrs. DeYo who explained what has already been done with the Temperance Education Fund. The projects enumerated were: 1. Seminar for three months each year at Evanston for training workers in Alcohol Education. 2. Reception for workers on New Year's Day for the thirty-five workers at national headquarters and other leaders in the educational world. 3. Showing of the motion picture, "Beneficent Reprobate." 4. Broadcasts from 52 stations in 42 states of the serial, "Americans to the Rescue." 5. Road signs along the highway calling attention to danger of drunken driving. 6. Exhibits of various kinds. 7. Research library at Evanston—one of three in the world.

North Dakota has almost completed the first half of its quota for the million dollar fund and now must raise the other half as soon as possible as the national slogan is "Our goal by San Francisco" when the national convention will meet in August 1938.

Saturday evening was young people's night and Mrs. E. S. Bordwell presided. A playlet by Valley City young people directed by Mrs. Wilbur Northridge was enjoyed. A cornet solo by Miss Jean Worden, and vocal solos by Mrs. Arthur Lydell and Miss Mildred Davidson added to the evening's enjoyment. Arlys Jensen, Fargo, won the gold medal in the contest with the reading: "Quicksands." The other contestants were Ellsworth Gilsoth, Grand Forks; Jean Bjerke and Esther Nelson, Valley City; Luella Hagen and Margaret Molenars, Gilby. Judges were Mrs. Phillip Moelling, Wildrose; Mrs. Paul Hanson, Englevale and Mrs. Frank Beasley, Fairdale. Mrs. DeYo presented the medal.

Sunday morning the pastor of the convention church, Rev. G. O. Parish gave a strong and convincing sermon

RESOLUTIONS

Adopted at the 48th Annual Convention

SPIRITUAL LIFE:—The Woman's Christian Temperance Union is built upon spiritual foundations and the courage, endurance and power of the organization depend upon the spirit-filled lives of its membership. We urge increased study of the Word of God, observance of the noontide prayer hour, of private and family devotions, and that we join with enthusiasm in the great prayer campaign started at the worship service of the World's W. C. T. U. convention last June; that we pray for a great revival in the churches and for the outlawing of the liquor traffic.

TOTAL ABSTINENCE:—Science and experience demonstrate that the moderate use of alcoholic liquors as a beverage is harmful and opens the way to alcoholism and drunkenness. Total abstinence is the best rule of life. Therefore, we appeal to all who desire the highest good to become total abstainers themselves and to help others become the same.

MOTION PICTURES:—Realizing the motion picture is one of the most powerful influences shaping the habits, conduct and character of children

from the text: "And Gallio cared for none of these things." The spirit of Gallio is still abroad, the spirit that causes men to say: "It doesn't affect me, it doesn't affect any of my family." If we are concerned about what people are thinking, we may not be concerned enough about the King's business. If Abraham Lincoln had been dominated by this spirit, the slaves would never have been liberated. Jesus gave himself to his disciples that they in turn might give themselves the world. When the Spirit of God comes again upon the church the people WILL care. Let all political parties know that the thinking people of America do not want alcohol. Music was by the chorus choir directed by Prof. Leslie Quant with Miss Rachel Quant at the pipe organ.

At 4:30 p. m. a prayer service was held, led by the state president, Mrs. Wanner.

Sunday evening we listened to an impressive address by Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo whose subject was "Our Mess of Pottage." Speaking of repeal Mrs. DeYo said we have the mess but not the pottage. We did not know the benefits of prohibition until we lost it. People need to know that beer is the most seductive of all alcoholic liquors. It was illuminating to know that the brewers are reproducing posters similar to those of the National W. C. T. U. They are watching us, advertising our efforts in the Modern Brewer, telling their readers that every brewer should read our posters and know that their business is in danger. This is a high compliment to the W. C. T. U. Repeal is surely working for the complete and final overthrow of the liquor traffic. If you do not wish for the kingdom to come, do not pray for it. If you wish for it to come, you must work for it as well as pray. This is a challenge for every one of us to stand in our place and count one, said Mrs. DeYo.

We were happy to have with us comrades from the Northwest district who drove some 400 miles to the convention. The committee on plans for our Golden Jubilee in 1939 reported our goals as 500 new members; a new union in every county; ten new Youth's Temperance Councils; a doubled membership in the Loyal Temperance Legion. Let us begin now to work these plans.

The gracious courtesy and consideration for our comfort by our comrades of Valley City will ever remain a pleasant memory.

and youth, we favor a federal law to prevent block booking and blind selling and to guarantee to the exhibitor a fair and open market. We ask our members to urge their Congressmen to support bills recommended by our national director or by Dr. Izora Scott in her letter to The Union Signal.

ALCOHOL EDUCATION:—In view of the fact that alcohol as a beverage is a poison and injurious to the human body, we urge all members to inform themselves and put forth every effort to secure systematic alcohol education in our public schools and colleges, Sunday schools and vacation Bible schools, so that young people especially may realize the effects on the physical, social and economic life of the community.

GAMBLING:—We are opposed to gambling in any form, whether by the individual or when legalized by state or nation. We especially urge all members to use their influence to banish the lottery or raffle in our social, church and charity organizations.

ADVERTISING:—Advertisements in the press, over radio and on billboards, advocating the use of alcoholic beverages, constitute a growing menace to our people. We strongly resent this invasion of our homes and communities and will use our influence to expose and reject this false and pernicious propaganda.

NARCOTICS:—We believe the federal government and the state should cooperate in uniform legislation for the prohibition of narcotic drugs, including opium, heroin, morphine, cocaine and marihuana. We urge greater concern on the part of parents, teachers, pastors and civic organizations to protect our youth from exploitation by distributors of these drugs. We deplore the increase in cigarett smoking by children, youth and women.

PROHIBITION:—North Dakota is operating since Nov. 3, 1936, under one of the most vicious liquor laws in the United States. We believe that many who voted for it were deceived and, since seeing its results, would gladly vote for its repeal. We favor reenactment of state-wide prohibition. County option is desirable only when state-wide prohibition cannot be obtained on account of the vote of great wet cities. We believe that in North Dakota state-wide prohibition can be as readily obtained as county option and we shall work toward this end.

THANKS:—We extend hearty thanks to the members of the Valley City union for arrangements made for our comfort and happiness; to the trustees of the churches for the use of their fine buildings; to our guest of honor, Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo for her helpful presence and inspirational addresses; to the Radio Station KOVC for the broadcast of her message; to the Rev. Geo. O. Parish for his fine convention sermon; to the pastors of the city for their cooperation; to those who provided flowers and music to add to our pleasure; to the citizens who welcomed us and opened their homes to us; to the church societies which provided food; to the secretary of the city commission and the business firms for useful gifts for the delegates; to the press for its good reports of our meetings and to all others who in any way contributed to the success of this our 48th annual convention.

WORLD'S TEMPERANCE SUNDAY

Sunday October 31 is designated as World's Temperance Sunday. Please see that it is observed in all Sunday schools as far as possible. Our state director, Mrs. G. E. Norris, Fargo, or the state office, will have helpful supplies for that important date.