



"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH"

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TO-DAY

God give us men! The time demands Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and willing hands. Men whom the lust of office does not kill; Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy; Men who possess opinions and a will; Men who have honor; men who will not lie; Men who can stand before a demagogue And damn his treacherous flatteries without winking; Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog In public duty and in private thinking. For while the rabble, with their thumb-worm creeds, Their large professions and their little deeds Mingle in selfish strife, lo! Freedom wrongs! Wrong rules the land and waiting justice sleeps!

—J. G. Holland.

OUR PRESIDENT'S LETTER

My Dear Comrades:— Our convention is over and I trust that each union is already busy with its November Roll Call. Let us make an effort to collect dues from EVERY member who has EVER belonged to our W.C.T.U., getting it all done during November. Then we shall have clear sailing for our budget, the winding up of our Temperance Education Fund and gaining new members. Make your Roll Call meeting especially attractive so that every one will want to come.

Don't forget that every new member gained this coming year will always be known as a Frances E. Willard member, as we are celebrating her one-hundredth birth anniversary. At the National convention it was suggested that when one joins at any time of year, you tell her it is \$1.00 entrance or initiation fee and one dollar dues for the first of our year, beginning with October and not later than November. If we could educate all our women to do this, we would have much more heart to do other things. Other organizations do so. Why can't we?

We need every mother and every woman to help combat the organized forces of wrong, to teach the evil effects of liquor and narcotics and to help bring in the day when liquor shall be again outlawed in our state and nation. Roger Babson recently said: "The primary idea of prohibition is not to prevent you from taking a drink but to prohibit the distillers and brewers from destroying America's greatest natural resources—our young people."

This fall is a good time to hold institutes, joining with some nearby union or unions. Study department work and the Topical Program, filling in

HELP BRING NORTH DAKOTA BACK

VOTE "YES"

On First Initiated Measure on Ballot at Election

NOVEMBER 8

TO REPEAL HARD LIQUOR LAW

HELP GET OUT THE VOTE--- WORK---VOTE---PRAY!

names of hostesses and leaders, and make this year your very best year. We can do it but it will take "grace and grit," both of which God will provide if we earnestly ask Him.

We still have a few valuable days before election during which time every white ribboner should be much in prayer and much at work to get out the vote November 8 and see that all our friends and neighbors understand and vote "Yes" on "Do you approve an Act to Repeal the Hard Liquor Act of 1937, Chapter 259? Vote Yes." Don't take anything for granted but speak to all with whom you come in contact. Don't be misled by wet propaganda. The laws prohibiting liquor sales without license never were repealed. November 8 we hope to make the granting of licenses illegal.

Quantities of free leaflets for the campaign have been sent each union and many others from our State Headquarters at Fargo. If you need more, hurry in your order and it will be sent by return mail. We must work and pray, and pray and work.

We had an inspirational and instructive convention in Bismarck with the splendid help and cooperation of our beloved honorary president Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson and of Miss Helen L. Byrnes, our national secretary of the Y.T.C. We appreciate the helpful letters written for publication by Mrs. Anderson and our love and prayers go with her and her dear husband on their trip to Florida for the winter.

From the splendid addresses and work of Miss Byrnes we are expecting many Y.T.C.'s will spring up in our state. We welcome the new branch secretaries and state directors and trust that they will create new zeal and enthusiasm into our work. Let us start right in to attain our goals for this Golden Jubilee year. These goals are given in the president's recommendations in this issue of the paper and by adopting these you pledged to work for them.

May this coming year see the very best year's work that we have ever had, as we celebrate the centenary of Miss Willard by raising our Temperance Education Fund and attaining

THE PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Adopted at the State Convention as our Plan of Work for the Year

We now enter the fifth year of our Five Point program. The W. C. T. U. is like a big machine in its activities: If one part does not function, the whole is hindered. Therefore a complete understanding between national and state, state and local unions is necessary, in order that we may round up goals set in this program and the funds to finance them. It is necessary for us to correlate wherever possible and accept the plan given us by the National W. C. T. U.

NOVEMBER ROLL CALL.—Every union is asked to observe this Roll Call in the second week of November according to plans already sent to local unions. First, secure dues from those already members. Their attention can be given to securing new members.

THE LOCAL UNION is the most important unit of power in the whole organization. Therefore a more accurate knowledge of the plans and methods of work outlined by the state is necessary to obtain best results.

GUEST MEETINGS.—It is recommended that once a quarter at least a meeting shall be arranged of interest to certain groups outside our membership. The usual business should not be transacted on that day but the program should be made informative and interesting. It is suggested that twice a year such meetings be held in the evening and men as well as women invited.

MEMBERSHIP.—The foundation is the consecrated, individual woman. It is recommended that in this centenary year, a carefully planned effort be

our Jubilee goals, thereby honoring Mrs. Anderson and her fifty years of work in our state, also the fifty years of statehood—born dry—and our fifty years of organization as the North Dakota W.C.T.U.

Most loyally yours, Mrs. Fred M. Wanner. Jamestown, N. Dak.

THE POWER OF THE BALLOT

This is the song of the ballot, Mighty as Merlin's Rod, That works the will of the hosts of hell As well as the will of God— This is the song it singeth: "I make you a promise fair— I'll keep my pact with the men who act, Whatever their creed or prayer."

O, huge is the power of the ballot That comes to the hands of men To lift the earth to a higher worth, Or batter it down again; But many good people know it not, Nor use it as their own— While wrong and sin have gathered it in To work for them alone.

Then hail to your magic ballot, Now in this fateful hour! We fight for truth in the voting booth, Invoking our sovereign power. And here's to the man or woman Who worketh your spell aright, That out of a crass and sordid mass May arise God's truth and light! Logan Hall.

made to secure the renewal of every woman who ever belonged to the W. C. T. U. While many women are so occupied that they cannot become nominal members, make the programs so attractive, plans so definite and logical, that they will want to become workers. Interest missionary and other church groups and call all new members, this centenary year—Frances E. Willard members.

COOPERATION.—The objectives of the W. C. T. U. are of interest to many groups and to citizens not organized. In certain efforts the cooperation of these should be sought. Momentum is often lost because of local union attempts to do a work which should be the concern of the community and other organizations. The W. C. T. U. has information and knowledge of methods and should share these and give opportunity for service to others that results may be obtained. Ours is not a law enforcement organization but we are pledged to work out our principles "in the customs of society and the laws of the land."

It is recommended therefore that we seek the formation of community groups such as "Good Citizenship Councils" to have charge of such community matters as are the social concern of all citizens. Report what you have done in community work through your Christian Citizenship director.

TRAINED LEADERSHIP.—The necessity for this is apparent. Interest and devotion must be supplemented by training methods of ap-

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## I ARRAIGN BEVERAGE ALCOHOL

I arraign beverage alcohol before the thought and judgment of America.

I arraign it as a narcotic poison.

I arraign it as a poison side by side with morphine, opium, and cocaine.

I arraign it as a false and pretended stimulant.

I arraign it as a habit-forming drug.

I arraign it as an assailant of the higher centers of the brain and of the normal reflexes and reactions.

I arraign it as a destroyer of life, reason, self-control, endurance, skill, and moral fiber.

I arraign it as a source of crime and waste and human degradation.

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I arraign it as a promoter of disease.

I arraign it as a barrier to thrift.

I arraign it as a threat to life and

## WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO?

In these days of general collapse of conscience it is well to remind ourselves that there ARE certain laws which cannot be repealed. "Woe unto him that putteth the bottle to his neighbor's lips;" "Woe unto him that calleth good, evil and evil, good; which justify the wicked for a reward." If all the rosy promises made by wet propagandists were fulfilled, this law still stands and its penalty—"Woe"—is sure.

If revenue from the sale of liquor had brought a promised prosperity to our nation, our state and our cities, if it had banished the bootlegger, lowered our taxes, and even balanced the budget, yet WOE would still be upon those of us who, by our vote or failure to vote are responsible for the desperate moral conditions to which the re-legalized liquor business has brought us.

What can compensate a state for the debauchery of its potential citizens—the young people? What can compensate a state for loss of character of its citizens, for broken homes, pitiful under-nourished children, for drunken mothers as well as drunken fathers? We have all these results to face and not one promise of the benefits of repeal has been fulfilled. It must be true that the American people like to be humbugged. Where is the prosperity we were promised? Didn't we know all the time that no one ever drank himself into prosperity?

The promise that liquor control laws would banish the bootlegger was a huge joke for the bootlegger. His business is flourishing. Many authorities estimate that from 40 to 60 per cent of liquor now sold is bootleg. The federal government employs more men to enforce the "Control Laws" than it did to enforce prohibition.

What about your taxes? Have they been lowered? In some instances the writer's taxes have been increased thirty-three and one-third per cent. The Los Angeles Times, in a recent issue, told the taxpayers of California what liquor is costing them. "Every 25 cent drink costs the taxpayer five cents. Every third policeman is necessary only to take care of drink's results. It costs \$45.00 to arrest a drunk. License fees do not pay for these arrests, nor for the support of prisoners, nor for the treatment of alcoholics, nor for the support of the drunks' wives and children, nor for sons and property. This is why it costs Los Angeles six times as much to handle drunks as the licenses provide." You and I must pay one-fifth of the country's drink bill even if we the damages caused by drunks to never touch a drop of it.

This is a question which not only concerns the drinker but it concerns every one of us. We have an opportunity to put the liquor business out of our state November 8 by voting "YES" on the repeal of the so-called "liquor control law." WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?

—Elizabeth Preston Anderson.

limb.

I arraign it as a producer of insanity.

I arraign it as the enemy of youth.

I arraign it as a wrecker of homes.

I arraign it as a defiler of motherhood and virtue.

I arraign it as a blight upon the happiness and the progress of mankind.

—Reprinted by permission,

from Speech of Hon. Morris Sheppard in the Senate of the

U.S., January 16, 1937.

## WHAT PRICE REVENUE?

Here is another demonstration of what alcohol does when it is promoted as a means of revenue.

A clipping from a central Pennsylvania paper tells the story. A boy of eleven, an only child, was walking along the sidewalk in front of a school building on his way to the library. His mother had told him "Be careful of automobiles" and he was keeping close to the fence in the middle of the block.

Suddenly a car swept alongside. There was a swaying from side to side, a lurch and a crash. The car crossed the curb, crossed the sidewalk, rebounded into a pole. In the path of its mad skid it crushed the boy and in a few minutes he was dead.

The boy is beyond further suffering or danger. Attention may now shift to the wielder of the deadly weapon which left his mother childless.

When the car crashed, a young man sprang from the driver's seat and ran, throwing away as he ran a bottle of liquor. He was chased and captured by bystanders and without hesitation told the story to the police.

Still in his early twenties the driver was father of two children and was a working man. That morning he had drawn his pay. Pay-day meant a celebration and he set out to make the round of beer shops in his town. Soon he was "feeling pretty good" he said and wanted to take a ride. He had neither car nor driver's permit, but that was no obstacle to a man "feeling good" from alcohol. He drove away in a car which he found at the curb. He pressed down the accelerator. The indicator rose to 82 miles and so he swept across a strip of country road and into a nearby city.

There were street-car tracks in the city and those optimists who think that a man under the influence of alcohol should know enough to know that he does not know enough to drive a car would say that he should have been careful. The alcohol in the driver thought otherwise and the accelerator remained pressed to the floor. There came a skid, a crash and the driver, unhurt, trying to escape, found himself on the way to jail.

The young man was a steady contributor to the liquor revenue of which our budget-makers boast for he said he got drunk once or twice a month. As a set-off to what he has paid to the state in revenue there must be reckoned:

One smashed automobile.

One trial. The district attorney asked for an indictment for second degree murder.

If the man is convicted:

The expense of feeding, housing, guarding a prisoner.

The care of the two children, deprived of their father's support. If the state does not assume this, relatives and friends must do so. It is a bill that must be paid.

A lot of men will have to drink a lot of liquor to pay enough revenue to balance these items of cost. And more liquor will mean more losses. Still there are those who argue that the state liquor business pays.

There is a sorrowing mother without a child; there are two little children without a father, but the state got the revenue.

—M.E.B., in Pa. Bulletin.

At Jamestown College on Parents' Day, Mrs. Wanner, state W. C. T. U. president, gave the response to the address of welcome, stating that with her granddaughter Margaret now attending, three generations of the Wanner family had been enrolled there.

## THE VOTER'S OBLIGATIONS

I plead with you for all that makes strong citizens. First, Clear Conscience,—deep, careful, patient study of the government under which we live, until you not merely believe it is the best in the world, but know why you believe.

And then a Clear Conscience,—as much ashamed of public as of private sin, as ready to hate and rebuke and vote down corruption in the state, in your own party, as you would be in your own store or church; as ready to bring the one as the other to the judgment of a living God.

And then Unselfishness,—an earnest and exalted sense that you are for the land, and not alone the land for you; something of the self-sacrifice which they showed who died for us from '61 to '65.

And then Activity,—the readiness to wake and watch and do a citizen's work, untiringly, counting it as base not to vote at an election, not to work against a bad official, or to work for a good one, as it would have been to shirk a battle in the war.

Such a strong citizenship let there be among us; such knightly doing of our duties on the fields of peace.

—Phillips Brooks.

## A GOOD "DRY" TIME

Milwaukee's liquorless cabaret is becoming very popular. Most of the customers are high school and college students. They all observe the warning, "No alcoholic beverages will be permitted on the premises." Alarmed at the demoralizing influence of the city's night clubs, the Ministerial Association interested others in the project and the first night the Club opened 2,000 had to be turned away. The young people have definitely proved that the best kind of a time may be had without liquor.

In Seattle a new movement is being sponsored by the P.T.A. to provide liquorless entertainment for youth. The effort has been so successful that the general level of the commercial night clubs has been raised and these houses are emphasizing entertainment rather than drinking, according to the Christian Science Monitor.

Madison, Wisconsin, now has a liquorless eating and drinking establishment in the form of a Milk Bar which is right in line with the new mode as described by press reports from England, Canada and several cities in the United States where the milk bar has already become very popular. All types and flavors of milk drinks and dairy specialties are served. Sandwiches are made of bread prepared with 100 per cent whole milk.

"It isn't the number of qualified voters, but the number of qualified voters WHO VOTE that constitute the strength of a nation."

—Abraham Lincoln.

"Just whistle a bit if your heart be sore,

'Tis a wonderful balm for pain;

Just hum some old melody o'er and o'er

'Till it soothes like summer rain."

—Paul Lawrence Dunbar.

Mrs. Philip Stolberg, Flasher, who attended the state convention at Bismarck, carried her enthusiasm home and is planning to organize a union among her S.S. class and a Loyal Temperance Legion for the children. Who will be the next?

Mrs. Ellen C. Berg and Miss LaVon Loo of Zahl have received certificates as L.T.L. leaders, having passed the necessary tests. Congratulations!

## TREASURER'S REPORT

State Convention to October 13, 1933

DUES—Sanborn 7; Bottineau 4; Benedict 2; Bismarck 14; Ray 4; Bucyrus 9. Willard Members—Mrs. Virgil A. Reed, Columbus; Driscoll 1; Flasher 3.

BUDGET—Williston \$4.00.

NATIONAL TEMPERANCE EDUCATION FUND—Bottineau \$15.00; Grand Forks, Memorial, Mrs. Andrew Veitch, \$10.00; Bismarck District \$7.15; Jamestown \$5.00; Grand Forks, Memorial, George Edgar Black \$10.00; Glover, Memorial, Mrs. Frank Haisley, \$3.00.

Dear Treasurers:—

I hope you are all working and planning for the November Roll Call. What a fine thing to get the dues paid promptly—and early in the year! Last year there were only six Hold-Fast unions. We must strive for a better record this year.

Sincerely yours,  
Mrs. R. B. Reed,

Treasurer.

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

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

On the literature table at state convention were some Willard souvenir maps in brown envelopes similar to those which were marked "A Souvenir of 1933" and were given free. The maps were \$1.00 each. Will those of our members who unintentionally took the maps by mistake, please either return them or pay the cost. Thank you!

## NOVEMBER ROLL CALL

We are entering upon a most interesting and important year, featuring the centenary of the birth of Frances Willard. Every woman who belonged last year will want to "hold fast" her membership this year. We will all want to honor the memory of a great woman and a great cause by continuing our allegiance to the work for which Miss Willard gave her life. It is fitting our Roll Call comes in the Thanksgiving month. BEGIN TO PLAN EARLY and let us have 100 per cent paid membership by the end of November.

## PROMOTED

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

Mrs. Frank Haisley, a faithful member of the Glover union and for several years its corresponding secretary, was promoted to higher service Sept. 24. We express our sympathy to her relatives and to members of the local union.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

"The trouble is, the real significance of familiar things is lost because we know them so well. We murmur the petitions of the Lord's Prayer, but our familiarity with it defeats its ethical teaching," says Bishop Stephen E. Keeler of Minnesota.

"The Lord's Prayer, if really prayed, believed and acted upon, would transform society, remake the world upon a basis of peace and goodwill, and lift the individual to a higher plane."

—The Union Signal

In Ohio 183 bootlegging joints raided, 21 stills, 20 transporters, and \$12,510 in fines for one week's work under legal liquor. (Enforcement Chief Humphrey.)

## RESOLUTIONS

Adopted at 49th Annual Convention

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 noon-tide 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 in 1937; that we pray for a great revival in the churches and for the outlawing of liquor traffic.

1. TOTAL ABSTINENCE. Science and experience demonstrate that even 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 to become the same.

2. EDUCATION. That we continue an aggressive campaign as to the nature and effects of alcoholic liquors; and recommend that each union make a demonstration kit or exhibit that may be used in meetings, Sunday Schools and wherever opportunity affords; that we place our books available for study of what alcohol is and what it does, as well as the Union Signal, in every library of the state.

3. MOTION PICTURES. Realizing the motion picture is one of the most powerful influences shaping the habits, conduct and character of children and youth, we favor a Federal law to prevent block-booking and blind selling and to guarantee to the exhibitor a fair 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. We especially oppose the open theatre on Sunday.

4. ALCOHOL EDUCATION. In view of the fact that alcohol used 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.

5. GAMBLING. We oppose gambling in any form, whether by the individual or when legalized by state or nation. We urge all members to use their influence to banish the lottery or raffle in our social, church and charity organizations, and we especially deplore games of chances in school carnivals which are leading our children into gambling.

6. ADVERTISING. Advertisements in the press, over the radio, and on billboards advocating the use of alcoholic beverages and cigarettes 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.

7. NARCOTICS. We believe in state and federal co-operation in uniform legislation for the prohibition of narcotics, drugs, especially marihuana. Inasmuch as North Dakota is one of seven states that does not have a Narcotic Drug Act, we urge the passing of such a bill in the next legislature. We urge greater concern on the part of parents, teachers and pastors, and civic organizations to protect our youth from the use of injurious drugs. We deplore the increase in cigarette smoking.

8. PROHIBITION. We deplore the great increase in drinking, especially among women and young people, since the repeal of prohibition and the en-

actment of the so-called "liquor control" law. We rejoice that by the petitions of more than twenty-two thousand citizens of the state an opportunity is given to repeal the liquor control law at the general election this fall.

As a state organization, we co-operate with the Consolidated Drys of which we are a part. We also carry on our own campaign, with our speakers, publicity and literature. As individual members of the W.C.T.U. we pledge ourselves to use all lawful means within our power, such as talking with our neighbors and friends, distributing literature, getting out the dry vote and praying daily to the God of righteousness, that we may win this election.

We warn the voters of the state not to be again deceived by false, wet propaganda put out by those who are interested in the sale of hard liquor. We appeal to all good citizens to rally to the polls on November 8th and vote "Yes" on the repeal of the vicious liquor control act.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

On Sunday, October 30, we observe our fourth Quarterly Temperance Lesson. No, it was not just chance that this should occur just before we go to the ballot box November 8. Infinite wisdom guided in this, I am sure, and may we work as never before in bringing these splendid helps to the attention of all that they may be fully persuaded to write an emphatic "Yes" for the repeal of the hard liquor law, which is the first initiated measure on the ballot.

At our state office at Fargo you will find a quantity of leaflets as supplementary to your regular lesson, "God's Lights" and others for the children; "Back in the Jungle," "I've Quit Drinking" and others for adults. You may reach some even in Sunday School who need the information you can give them. They may be blinded by the propaganda they hear over the radio from the enemies of our cause.

The distillers spend great sums trying to promote moderation, then work their representatives over time to meet large sales quotas. Their great concern just now about the dire calamity which would befall North Dakota if the hard liquor law is repealed is bewildering some good people. We must counteract this by using and distributing literature telling the truth.

Yours for success,

Mrs. G. E. Norris  
State Director

311, 9th Ave. So., Fargo, N. Dak.

## CONTROL

According to Secretary Morgenthau revenue agents seized 2165 stills in the four months preceding the repeal of prohibition, and 2,400 in the four months following. So, he asks for 2,000 such agents.

—Boston Globe in 1934.

"Repeat hasn't even put a dent in the operations of the large scale moonshiners and bootleggers.

—Secretary Morgenthau in 1936.

## THE ABUNDANT LIFE

Our national debt in five years has increased \$16,000,000,000. —Boston Herald.

In four and one-third years as a nation we have spent \$11,000,000,000 for alcoholic beverages. —International Revenue Department.

So apparently the "Abundant life" has come to the liquor forces at least. For the rest of us prosperity may be "just around the corner" perhaps, but still out of sight. —Rose Upton Bascom.

## SOME FACTS THAT CHEER US UP

The state legislature of Kentucky provided that beginning with July the sale of beer and all other liquors would be banned on Sunday in every town and city in the state.

In Illinois the sale of liquor in miniature bottles is to be stopped, beginning January 1, under a regulation of the State Liquor Control Commission.

The Treasury Department reported a material falling off in the production of alcoholic liquors in nine months of the past year. Withdrawals for sale also declined in the same period.

Highway signs to the number of over 4,000 now warn American tourists throughout the country of the dangers in beverage alcohol as demonstrated by scientists.

## SOME FACTS THAT STIR US UP

The Grand Rapids (Michigan) Press quoted from a survey conducted by Dr. Homer P. Rainey, of Washington, his statement that 48 per cent of the youth from 16 to 24 in Detroit are drinkers, adding that in some sections of the country the percentage is as high as 83 per cent.

A recent statement by Superintendent Dr. John C. Evans, of the Oregon State Hospital for the Insane, reported statistics which revealed that admissions of alcoholic patients have increased five-fold since repeal.

The Federal Internal Revenue Department and the Distilled Spirits Institute figures recently released, show that approximately one billion dollars in revenue is collected from the legal sale of liquor in the United States . . . . . Alcoholic beverages cost the American People approximately \$425,000 per hour throughout the year.

—Educational Press Bureau.

## THE LEGAL STATUS

An Opinion By Competent Attorneys

In 1936 there was presented to the people of this state an initiated control act, which act was approved by the voters of this state on November 3, 1936. This act differs from all of the other acts in this, that the act did not repeal any particular statute, but there is a general clause contained in the initiated act that all acts or parts of acts in conflict with the operation of the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

It would therefore appear to us that it was not the intention of the framers of this act that the general prohibition statutes should be repealed, except as to those acts that were in conflict with the operation of the provisions of the initiated control act.

It will be noted under Section 5 of the act that any person engaged in the retail sale of alcohol, etc., must first procure from the governing body of the city or village a license to engage in the sale of liquor. Without such license, it is reasonable to suppose that the penalties imposed under the provisions of our Code prior to the adoption of the initiated act are still in force and effect. It is certain that all acts are in force and effect unless they conflict with the operation of the provisions of the initiated act, because no other acts are repealed.

Section 10092 provides, among other things, that any person, association or corporation, who shall keep for sale or sell or offer for sale, barter or trade, any of such intoxicating liquors as a beverage, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, etc.

The 1936 initiated act does not prohibit the possession of liquor in North Dakota. Therefore Section 10092 is

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## RED CROSS DISASTER RELIEF

A tropical hurricane of unprecedented violence struck New England the night of September 21, giant trees were uprooted, buildings were leveled, and untold damage done throughout the country side. Adding to the chaotic state of affairs high waters sweeping down from the north threatened to engulf many a town and isolated farm with a worse flood than visited the area in 1936.

The hurricane had hardly passed when Red Cross volunteers throughout New England fell to work arranging for housing, feeding and clothing refugees. While these volunteers were bringing emergency relief, disaster relief workers from National Red Cross Headquarters and branch offices were converging on the stricken area by planes, boats and other means of transportation.

Once the emergency period is over, Red Cross operations are directed toward rehabilitating victims so that they can again provide for themselves. Homes, barns and other structures are repaired and rebuilt and small businesses are assisted in reestablishing themselves.

Thus when the floods last spring descended upon southern California, many a farmer making his living from chickens found himself facing a bleak future. All stock had been killed, coops destroyed and feed spoiled or washed away. The Red Cross stepped in and assisted in rebuilding not only homes, but coops and other buildings, supplied basic stock from which to build up flocks anew, and provided feed to tide the emergency.

Many other instances of similar Red Cross rehabilitation could be cited. This work, as is the case with all other Red Cross activities, is supported from membership dues. Only in times of great emergency is a public appeal for funds made. To carry on such work the Red Cross needs the generous support of all citizens. The annual Roll Call, when chapters the country over invite everyone to join their ranks and thus make it possible to continue Red Cross activities, begins Armistice Day and ends Thanksgiving.

## RECOMMENDATIONS—

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proach to the work and official execution of it. This should be considered in giving opportunity for gaining experience and knowledge in positions of leadership in the union, the Youth's Temperance Council and in the Loyal Temperance Legion. It is urgently recommended that we endeavor to interest the Board of Education in the employment of a trained teacher in Alcohol Education to serve in the Teachers' Colleges, Normal schools, Institutes and other places where the teachers of the state may be reached.

WE CONCUR in the recommenda-

tion that the United States be divided into districts in each of which a trained Alcohol Education teacher shall serve, thus eliminating the loss of time and expense and increasing the efficiency of the work. This may also apply to field service workers.

**THE UNION SIGNAL.**—In any organization the official organ is the criterion of the action of the group. The support of this official organ is not only for the purpose of information but is a financial obligation on the organization. The Union Signal is to our work what bread is to our body—we cannot do good work without it. Let each member put aside two cents a week—to pay for her Union Signal this year. The Young Crusader should also be in every home where there are children.

**LITERATURE.**—Let us avail ourselves of the splendid assortment of literature—leaflets, books and booklets, at state and national headquarters. Share it with other organizations. Let this be a literature year.

**TEMPERANCE WEEK.**—If not able to have a week, have one large meeting and as many others as possible, beginning with Feb. 17—France. Willard's heavenly birthday, stressing the five points of the program as subjects. Stress pledge signing for total abstinence. Confer with pastors, suggesting that the Sunday service be a centenary celebration of the great Christian patriot, Frances Willard. The Saturday following might be devoted to a canvass of the community in the interest of the National Temperance Education Fund. If carefully planned, every union may become a Gold Star union.

**EXHIBITS.**—Increasing calls for exhibits demand systematic planning. It was recommended that each state prepare an exhibit that can be readily shipped and cared for by local members but each union may also make its own exhibit.

**NATIONAL TEMPERANCE EDUCATION FUND.**—We must make a valiant effort to come under the line this last year. The same plan is recommended for raising the fund; every member make a gift and secure five other gifts. Can you not plan to do this by February 17?

**OUR GOLDEN JUBILEE.**—The year 1939 marks 50 years of our organization in North Dakota, fifty years since the adoption of prohibition in our state and fifty years of service in this state of our beloved honorary president, Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson. Let us strive hard to reach our goals: Five hundred new members; a new union in every district; ten new Youth's Temperance Councils; a doubled membership in the Loyal Temperance Legion.

**PROHIBITION RETURN.**—We heartily recommend that every one work, vote and pray and help get out the vote Nov. 8th and WE CAN WIN. May we all work and talk with all with whom we come in contact, write letters and distribute literature which will soon be sent each union.

**WEAR OUR EMBLEM.**—During the Crusade, the name "Rock of Ages Women" was given the Crusaders. After the organization of the W. C. T. U. the term, "White Ribbons" was given them. Women wearing this badge were feared by liquor men and respected by all. In memory of Frances E. Willard who loved it so, and that it may again become a silent teacher of temperance, our national president, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, made a special request that during our centenary year, at least, all members of the W. C. T. U. wear the knot of white ribbon.

Vote according to your convictions and conscience. The important thing is to vote.

## LEGAL STATUS—

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not in conflict with the provisions of the initiated act, and if the initiated act is repealed, certainly any person who has in his possession intoxicating liquors for sale as a beverage, would be guilty of a misdemeanor.

It is provided in Section 10107, as amended by Chapter 195, of the Laws of 1915, that it shall be the duty of every sheriff, deputy sheriff, etc., to notify the State's attorney and to furnish him the names of any persons who shall violate any of the provisions of this Chapter, and a failure or neglect to do so shall, upon conviction thereof, forfeit his office. This section has not been repealed, and certainly cannot be in violation of the present initiated act.

Section 10113 provides, among other things, that whenever a peace officer has reasonable ground to believe that intoxicating liquor has been imported into the State of North Dakota for the purpose of sale as a beverage, in violation of law, it is made his duty to seize such liquor with or without a warrant. Certainly this section is not in conflict with the provisions of the initiated act.

Section 10117 provides, among other things, that all places wherein liquors are sold, bartered or given away in violation of any of the provisions of this Chapter, shall be abated, and those engaged in the act are guilty of a misdemeanor. To say that this section is repealed in conflict with the provisions of the initiated act is stating a fact quite contrary to the provisions of the initiated act, as no liquor, under the initiated act, may be sold, bartered, given away or kept at any place for sale or barter, without first obtaining a license so to do.

Section 10123 provides that the giving away of intoxicating liquors or any shifts or device to evade the provisions of this Chapter shall be deemed an unlawful selling within the provisions of this act.

Section 10132 provides it would be unlawful for any person to solicit, procure from, or aid in soliciting or procuring from any person within this state not holding a permit authorizing the sale of intoxicating liquors within the meaning of Chapter 65 of the Revised Code. So it would seem quite certain that if the initiated act was repealed, it would be unlawful to solicit or to aid in soliciting from any person intoxicating liquors unless such person hold a permit authorizing the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Section 10144 defines bootlegging as follows: "Bootlegging is herewith made a crime. The person committing the crime of bootlegging may be designated a bootlegger. The crime of bootlegging within the meaning of this act is committed by any person who sells or barter intoxicating liquors one or more times to one or more persons upon the public roads of this state or upon the streets or alleys of any town, or incorporated village or city, or upon the right of way or in the buildings of any railroad or other common carrier, or upon the lands or in the buildings belonging to the State of North Dakota, or any of its political subdivisions, or upon the lands or in the buildings of any person, partnership or corporation without the permission of the owner or the person entitled to the possession of such lands or buildings. Any person who aids, assists or abets in the commission of said crime, or receives any portion of the proceeds of such sales of intoxicating liquors shall be also held guilty of said crime." This act is at the present time quite in harmony with the initiated act. It is not in violation thereof and should the initiated act be repealed it would then become a crime to bootleg in the State of North Dakota.

It is interesting to note that Section

## THE BUILDER

"An old man going a lone highway  
Came at the evening, lone and gray,  
To a chasm deep and vast and wide.  
The old man crossed in the twilight  
dim;  
The sullen stream had no fear for  
him;  
But he turned, when safe on the  
other side,  
And built a bridge to span the tide.  
'Old man,' said a fellow pilgrim  
near,  
'You are wasting your strength with  
building here;  
Your journey will end with the ending  
day;  
You never again will pass this way;  
You've crossed the chasm deep and  
wide—  
Why build this 'bridge at eventide?'  
The builder lifted his old gray  
head—  
'Good friend, in the path I've come,'  
he said,  
'There followeth after me today  
A youth whose feet must pass this  
way.  
This chasm, that has been naught  
to me,  
To that fair youth may a pitfall be.  
He too must cross in the twilight  
dim.  
Good friend, I'm building this bridge  
for him.'"

—American Youth.

10170 prohibits the sale or drinking or offering to another any intoxicating liquors on any passenger train. Notwithstanding the fact that the initiated law prohibits the sale of intoxicating liquors, except when licensed, it was thought necessary to pass an act especially authorizing the sale and control of liquor by common carriers. (Chapter 154, Laws of 1937.)

PARK RIVER union met with Mrs. Annis F. Catherwood when Mrs. Beasley, district president, reported on the state convention.

"The Christian conscience has to be aroused, not merely to the enormity of the liquor traffic, but to the enormity of the sin of doing nothing about the liquor traffic."—John G. Woolley.

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