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THANKSGIVING HYMN

Not alone for mighty empire
Stretching far o'er land and sea,
Not alone for bounteous harvests
Lift we up our hearts to Thee.
Standing in the living present
Memory and hope between,
Lord we would with deep thanksgiving
Lord we would with deep thanksgiving

Praise Thee more for things unseen.
Not for battleships and fortress
Not for conquests of the sword
But for conquests of the spirit
Give we thanks to Thee, O Lord;
For the heritage of freedom,
For the home, the church, the school,
For the open door to manhood
In a land the people rule.

For the armies of the faithful,
Lives that passed and left no name;
For the glory that illumines
Patriot souls of deathless fame;
For the people's prophet leaders
Loyal to Thy living word;
For all heroes of the spirit
Give we thanks to Thee, O Lord.

God of Justice, save the people
From the war of race and creed;
From the strife of class and faction,
Make our nation free indeed.
Keep her faith in simple manhood
Strong as when her life began
In the Brotherhood of Man. Amen.

—William P. Merrill

OUR NEW PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Co-Workers:—
Greetings from your new state president! I appreciate the high honor that has been bestowed on me and I shall endeavor at all times to promote our cause in the state. If we are to reach our goal—a state and nation free from the curse of the liquor traffic—we must strengthen our forces. We must magnify our work more than our workers. Every member may have a part in the growth of our state work, the success of which depends not on your leaders alone but more largely on the self-sacrificing service of the rank and file.

Three special celebrations have been held this year—the centenary anniversary of the birth of Frances Willard; the fiftieth anniversary of our state W. C. T. U. and last but not least, the fifty years of service for our cause by Elizabeth Preston Anderson, our honorary president. I need not re-tell the story of our Jubilee convention which will always remain in our memories as most outstanding. We were very happy to have Mrs. Anderson with us on that memorable occasion and that we could, even in a small measure, show our appreciation of her great service. The splendid contribution she made to our National Temperance Education Fund by the sale of her Haviland china dishes gave us renewed courage to finish the task.

We have entered a new year now

GREETINGS from the NATIONAL TREASURER

Dear Friends:

We have now reached the end of the five year program, culminating in the observance of the Centenary of Frances E. Willard. It is not the end of the work of the W.C.T.U. however. That is as much if not more needed than ever before. An apparent let-down in moral standards among people who heretofore have been naturally counted with us for total abstinence from alcoholic drinks, emphasizes the necessity of "holding fast" every member of the W.C.T.U. Every new recruit gained last year should be bound to the organization by chains of love and service. With such a foundation of stable membership we can count the new members as additions to our forces — not merely helping us to hold our own.

Have you tried the Roll Call in November? If not, will you give it a real test this year? A few suggestions are submitted with this letter. You can adapt them to your own community.

Roll Call

Time: November, 1939. (Recommendation: Each state adopt the annual Roll Call and set a uniform week for its unions.)

Object: To secure the dues from every member for the year 1939-1940.

Begin in Time

Every member should be notified at least two weeks in advance of the time for the Roll Call. Suggest each one plan to have the dues ready when the day arrives. If the money is sent in advance to the treasurer a call on that member will not be necessary.

Canvass

1. Appoint two members as a team for each five or ten members.
2. Divide the membership into groups and give each team a definite list to call upon.
3. Invite each one after her dues are paid to subscribe for the UNION SIGNAL.
4. Leave a leaflet that will increase the interest of the member and attract her to attend the meetings.
5. If each member is not prepared to pay, ask her when to call again. Each team should accept the responsibility for collecting the dues of each one on their list.
6. Collect from honorary as well as active members. Many men want to help.

Culmination

Hold a meeting within a week of the visitation which might be called a "Harvest Home Rally." This may be a luncheon, or a dinner so the men and business women could attend, or an evening meeting with a bright, sparkling program.

Never Give Up

If all do not pay dues during this Roll Call, give them another chance. It is wise to collect the dues early in the year to avoid loss in membership and a final rush at the end of the year. Dues are always payable in advance.

Hold Fast

To be a Hold Fast union, dues must reach the treasurer by March 1, 1940, for every living resident member of the year before. This is the foundation for the membership campaign. First endeavor to hold fast the present membership, then go out for new members.

Cordially yours,

MARGARET C. MUNNS.

and many are the tasks ahead. First, let each union put on the November Roll Call. Make the November meeting an enrollment day. All old members should be invited to pay their dues that day. Loyal and faithful members will be ready to carry out a national plan, even though it means a new dues-paying date. New members can be educated to this plan also when they are shown the value of a uniform plan. Think what this would mean if dues for all old members could be paid before January 1st! The rest of the year could be used in getting new members, new organiza-

THE CURE FOR WAR

John G. Whittier

"Put up the Sword!" The voice of Christ once more

Speaks, in the pauses of the cannon's roar,

O'er fields of corn by fiery sickles reaped

And left dry ashes; over trenches heaped

With nameless dead; o'er cities starving slow

Under a rain of fire; through wards of woe

Down which a growing diapason runs

From tortured brothers, husbands, lovers, sons

Of desolate women in their far-off homes,

Waiting to hear the step that never comes!

Oh, men and brothers! let that voice be heard!

War fails, try peace; put up the useless sword!

coming year. I hope our state will do all that it can to complete its quota; also that every union will pay its budgets in full, every district, its state pledge, and that we will strive to meet all obligations, that more work can be done in organization.

The National Convention

Then, after our state convention, came that great national convention in Rochester, New York, which I was privileged to attend. Again and again we were told about the early years of our organization and its struggles and many victories. The undaunted courage of our sainted leader and the way she entered every open door should give every white-ribboner a desire to put forth every effort to bring righteousness, peace and sobriety to our world of today. There are so many features of that splendid convention that I would like to share with you. The highpoint was the pilgrimage to nearby Churchville on the hundredth birthday of Miss Willard. Sixty-two busses carried delegates and friends to that village where they viewed the home in which Miss Willard was born and saw the farm homes of her relatives. Services were held in the city park. On the following Sunday, one hundred or more delegates made another pilgrimage to Churchville, to attend services in the Congregational church where Miss Willard and her family had worshipped. Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin, national vice president, gave a stirring address.

Space will not permit telling in detail the many outstanding meetings of that memorable week;—the beautiful procession on opening night when the national president, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, gave her inspiring address; the banquet when 1300 people crowded three large dining rooms of three leading hotels; Youth's Night on Saturday night; the great Peace meeting Sunday afternoon; the Light

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NEW PRESIDENT'S—

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Line pageant and World's Night; and that splendid closing service.

I am hoping that I may visit many unions and tell you something about this great Centenary celebration. In closing I want to express my appreciation to the many co-workers who have extended their sympathy in the Home-going of my father.

Sincerely,

Bessie M. Darling.

Grand Forks, N. D.

PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

(Continued from last month)

TRAINED LEADERSHIP.—We concur in the plan of work whereby the United States is to 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 efficiency in the work. Interest in temperance instruction is not yet enough but must be supplemented by training in methods of approach to the work and official execution of it, also giving opportunity for gaining experience and knowledge in positions of leadership in the union, the Youth's Temperance Council and 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 Teachers' Colleges, Normal schools, Institutes and other places where the teachers of the state may be reached.

THE UNION SIGNAL.—In every organization the official paper is the criterion of the work of the group. We should support this official organ as it is not only for our information but is a financial obligation in our organization. The Union Signal is to our work what food is to the body—we cannot do good work without it. Let us try again to set aside just two cents a week to pay for our Union Signal this year. Also try to place The Young Crusader in every home where there are children and in the lower grades of our schools.

LITERATURE.—OUR National Headquarters has an abundance of splendid literature,—leaflets, booklets and books. Let us stress making better use of it and share it with other organizations. Let this year's slogan be, "A Temperance shelf in every school, village and city library."

TEMPERANCE IN SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CHURCHES.—Confer with pastors, urging them to preach temperance sermons, and with S. S. superintendents, offering them material and aid for the temperance lessons. See that temperance is taught in your public schools, urging the heads of school work to send for and exhibit our movie films—BENEFICIENT REPROBATE and OFF.

EXHIBITS.—EACH union can make its own exhibit, placing in some store window and in your Sunday School. It is said that from 75 to 89 per cent of our education comes through the eyes.

EDUCATION FUND.—We failed to raise our state's quota for the National Temperance Education Fund but we must keep on raising money for temperance education. We must not stop now. National W.C.T.U. may have a new plan of work.

DEPARTMENT WORK.—We recommend that each union hold one or more Institutes this year at which some district or state officer assists; so that our department work may be better explained and stressed, that this phase of our work receive a much-needed inspiration.

PROHIBITION.—We must get more outside trained speakers and organizers and work and pray for prohibition to return to our state and to our nation. We must be informed that we may inform others.

WEAR OUR EMBLEM.—The white ribbon bow or pin, should go wherever you go as it is a silent preacher for purity and temperance. Wearing it opens channels for temperance truths in conversation and often makes opportunities for serving others. Proudly wear your white ribbon emblem!

We must destroy war, or war will destroy us.

—Secretary of State Hull.

RESOLUTIONS

Adopted at the Fiftieth Annual Convention at Jamestown

PROHIBITION.—WE greatly deplore the increase in drinking and drunkenness, especially among women and youth, that has followed repeal. We call attention to the fact that not one of the long list of promises, made by the repealists has been fulfilled. Prosperity has not returned; the national budget has not been balanced; there are still millions of unemployed; taxes, instead of being reduced, are mounting; drunkenness is increasing; a large portion of the liquor sold is bootleg; the saloon is back, in a much more dangerous and seductive form.

We call upon the coming legislature to enact a county local option law and pledge our support, other things being equal, to members who will work to that end.

We rejoice that more than ten thousand of the forty thousand incorporated communities in this country are now dry; and that, in the recent wet-dry elections over the country, the drys have won more than fifty per cent.

GAMBLING.—We are opposed to gambling in any form—lotteries, parimutuel betting, races, slot machines, bank nights, raffling,—whether carried on by federal, state or municipal authorities, or other organizations or societies. We commend state and other officials for their efforts to eradicate slot machines and other forms of gambling, and urge better enforcement. We ask the lawmakers to strengthen any weakness of our laws against gambling.

EDUCATION.—Methods of alcohol education should strongly emphasize the danger of moderation becoming immoderation, consequent upon the habit-forming character of the drug, and its inhibition of judgment. No less emphasized should be the fact that even the "moderate" use of the drug may become socially and personally disastrous because of the complex character of our mechanized civilization.

THANKS.—We extend hearty thanks to the members of the Jamestown union for arrangements for our comfort and happiness; to the pastor and trustees of the First Methodist church for the use of their commodious building; to our guest of honor, Mrs. Nelle G. Burger, for her helpful presence and inspirational addresses; to the pastors of the city for their cooperation; the florists and others for the beautiful flowers; to the musicians for their choice music; to the citizens who welcomed us, opened their homes for our comfort and provided cars for the drive; to the Rev. Geo. Thomas for his assistance with the motion picture; to the ladies of the Congregational church who served meals; to Dr. E. H. Kroeze for his cooperation in the planting of our memorial trees; to the press for generous space in reporting our meeting; to the ladies who served the banquet; to the businessmen who contributed; to the pages who served us and to all others who contributed in any way to the splendid success of this our Golden Jubilee convention.

FRUITFUL UNIONS are so called if they have made a gain in membership. We are happy to report the following twenty unions that deserve this honor and whose names have been reported to National W.C.T.U.: Bucyrus, Crosby, Douglas, Drayton, Fargo, Glover, Grand Forks Scandinavian, Jamestown, Mayville, McKenzie, Minnewaukan, Nekoma, Northwood, Park River, Prosper, Ray, Ryder, Sawyer, Reeder, West Fairview.

The more we love, the better we are; and the greater our friendships are, the nearer we are to God.

—Samuel Taylor Coleridge.

COR. SEC.'S COZY CORNER

Dear Comrades:

With the completion of the Golden Jubilee celebration and Willard Centenary, we rejoice in the heritage which has been ours. Now let us lay as strong a foundation for the days to come, for those who follow after us. Our work is not yet done. Increasing demands call for renewed consecration and activity in the cause we love. May we be ready to respond!

Our State Reports were ready early and copies have been sent to local unions. They are 25 cents each and prompt payment will be appreciated as printing is expensive. Since the report was printed we have notice of some changes in officers which did not reach us in time: Mrs. L. Larson is president at Grenora and Mrs. Robt. Wils:n at Monango. Valley City's secretary is Mrs. Glenn A. Shilby and Mrs. C. F. Stowell is treasurer.

By the directory in another column you will note some changes. While we welcome our new state president, Mrs. Bessie M. Darling, whose name is characteristic, we are glad that our dear Mrs. Wanner remains in executive committee as state director of the department of Scientific Temperance Instruction and will be available for work in schools. We welcome Mrs. A. V. Sheppard, Grand Forks, as Union Signal promoter whose interest in our splendid paper will, we hope, increase its circulation; Miss Emma Remmick of Steele as new associate L.T.L. Secretary with Mrs. Bordwell. Mrs. J. W. Frisbie's new address is Hettinger. To the state directors the usual literature for distribution will be sent as soon as the new National plans are ready.

To Help Your Finances

Send for copies of Mrs. Anderson's "Story of Fifty Years"—a most interesting history, which will be sent you free on condition that you will sell copies for 25 cents each, applying proceeds on payment of your budget. Let us know very soon how many copies you want as the forms are being held for future orders.

The November Roll Call

Why were not the 204 new members gained last year a NET gain? Simply because twice that many old members failed to pay their dues. We had only ten Hold Fast unions. Why not start right in now, before too many other things claim the attention, collect dues from all old members possible and make your union a Hold Fast this year?

"What I can do, I ought to do, and what I ought to do, by the grace of God, I WILL do" is our motto. See Mrs. Munns' message on first page.

A Worthwhile Work

Miss Hortense O'Dougherty of Maple Lake, Minnesota, specially trained in our Evanston Seminar, who has been working in the field in the interests of Alcohol Education, has just finished a month's work in our state, of which a fuller report will be given. This was made possible by our National Temperance Education Fund and our great desire is to be able to employ such a worker for a much longer time. Miss O'Dougherty was well received by our educators and, from all reports, her work was very satisfactory.

With best wishes for all our work this new year,

Affectionately yours,
Barbara H. Wylie.

Never more thou needest seek me;
I am with thee everywhere;
Raise the stone, and thou shalt find me;

Cleave the wood and I am there.

—Henry Van Dyke.

"The joy of life consists in doing good according to a plan."—Frances Willard.

TREASURER'S REPORT

DUES—Pembina 6; Rock Lake 1; Wildrose 9; Jamestown 1; Williston 10; Bismarck 2; Monango 13; Bucyrus 16; Park River 3; Minot 15; Plaza 1; McKenzie 8; Upham 1; Raleigh 1; Minnewaukan 4.

BUDGET—Williston \$4.00.

N.T.E.F.—Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson \$45.00; Minot \$5.00; Flasher \$2.00; Sharon \$8.00; Sheyenne \$9.00.

STATE REPORTS—Valley City 3.

Dear Treasurers:—

Our national treasurer, Mrs. Munns, again urges the November Roll Call. You have received a statement about this in which Mrs. Munns says: "Members that have been for long years faithful and tried will be ready to help carry out a National plan even though it means a new dues-paying date. Dues are payable in advance. They are paid only once a year. Paying them at the beginning of the year helps finance the local, district, national and World's work. Will you each make a systematic, concerted effort to be a Hold Fast union this year?"

We fully agree with our national treasurer, and we want to emphasize the great and urgent need of prompt payment of dues in our state. The year just closed depleted our finances. Our funds are low and we must have money to carry on. The most important thing is the payment of dues. That our work may go on without interruption, will each treasurer, as soon as she reads this, send in what dues she has on hand with the names of paid members? "He pays twice who pays quickly" will be true in this crisis. May we depend on you?

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. R. B. Reed, Treas.

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

FROM THE MEDAL CONTEST DIRECTOR

"Am I my brother's keeper?" is often heard in mission talks. Surely our cause is missionary work of the most necessary kind for it deals with the saving of body and soul. We, who are enlightened as to the evils of this traffic, have a duty to perform wherever we can give a ray of hope to some person or family who is in the depths because of the demon drink.

Those who attended our wonderful convention in Jamestown should not need much urging to take up the work in their own communities. To me, one of the highlights of the convention was to see the increasing number of young women joining our ranks and taking up the work as we older women falter, not because we have lost the vision but because we have no longer the youth and vitality necessary to carry on. God bless the young mothers of our state and nation, that they may continue this fight against the greatest enemy of their homes and children!

My own department is very dear to me and it will make me so happy if next year we may have a large number of contests to report. These contests interest the children and through them, the parents and other folks who may be reached when other means fail. Some of you are doing splendid work in the L.T.L. or Y.T.C. branches. The departments do not conflict. You can use a medal contest occasionally as part of the program in the young people's work.

Use contests in Sunday Schools and church organizations. The Bible selections are especially suitable there. Do not wait for literature from me which will be sent soon, but begin at once to plan for contests before the school activities take up the children's time. May I hear from many of

JOTTINGS FROM JUBILEE CONVENTION

(Continued from last month)

tion from North Dakota were Mrs. Attending the National convention from North Dakota were Mrs. Fred M. Wanner, delegate at large, Mrs. Bessie M. Darling, state president, and Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, National director. Others elected at the state convention were Mrs. A. V. Sheppard, Grand Forks and Mrs. J. W. Scott, Gilby, for whom alternates were Mrs. Frances E. Olson, Calvin and Mrs. J. A. Youngman, Dickey, none of whom were able to attend. Our state president, Mrs. Darling, has returned and will soon be available for an address descriptive of the convention.

At the Jamestown convention it was voted to send a protest to the executives of the Boy Scouts of America against the appointment of Gene Tanney of the American Division of the Boy Scout Foundation of tilling Co. on the board of directors Greater New York.

A petition sponsored by the Minneapolis Tribune, being signed by women of the middle west states, with the object of keeping our American boys cut of war, was circulated and signed.

Misses Phyllis Bushy and Vivian Gilchrist of Jamestown were pages for the convention. Dedicated as white ribbon recruits by the presiding officer, Mrs. Wanner, were Ruth Joan Hart of Jamestown and Shirley Loerch of Velva. Claiming the souvenir spoons presented by Mrs. Anderson were Mrs. C. A. Landgren, Jamestown, for the largest number active members secured; Mrs. A. F. Bushy, Jamestown, for the largest number honorary members; Mrs. Elizabeth Wilder Holand and Mrs. O. J. Oswald, for largest number Y.T.C. members. Mrs. Darling announced as winners of Willard pennies: Mrs. Stoberg, Mrs. Landgren, Mrs. Holand and Mrs. Oswald.

First union to report this year was Ryder; second, Wyndmere; third, Park River. Excellent written reports, in addition to the statistical, were received from unions of Grand Forks, Grand Forks Scandinavian, Parshall, Larimore and Hillsboro. For largest net gain in WCTU membership, Jamestown was awarded the loving cup; Grand Forks Scandinavian was second, receiving three subscriptions to The Union Signal and Fargo, as third, received two subscriptions.

For largest Y.T.C. membership, Northwood also received prize subscriptions to The Union Signal; Zahl was second and Dickey, third.

In the L.T.L. Larimore had the largest paid membership—50; Washburn was second with 45 and Calvin third with 36 paid members. Prizes were subscriptions to Young Crusader.

Poster prizes were awarded as follows:

First and second grades: Caroline Anderson and Arlene Gubrud, both of Crosby.

Third and Fourth grades: Calvin Andrust, Crosby.

Fifth and Sixth grades: Edward Schmidt, Grand Forks Scandinavian; Vivian Maag, Jamestown.

Seventh and Eighth grades: Howard Jacobson and Jo Ann Flowers, Oberon.

Cash prizes of \$2 and \$1, for first and second, respectively, were awarded.

—B. H. W.

We make friends by being a friend.
—Lincoln Mitchell Hodges.

you soon and will each union try to hold at least one contest this year?

Yours for service,
Mrs. J. N. Wallestad.
Wheelock, N. D.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson, accompanied by Rev. Mr. Anderson, left Oct. 9 for their winter home at Penney Farms, Florida.

Mrs. F. J. Bignall, former president of Sanborn union, is now residing at Nampa, Idaho. We regret to lose these faithful workers, even for a time.

Mrs. Kate S. Wilder has returned from visiting friends in the east, following the National convention. Write her about your institute. Let us have many this year.

Roger Babson says: "If our Constitution is thrown over for Fascism, it will be due primarily to the liquor traffic."

WILLARD MEMORIAL PARK—A beautiful ceremony at Upham honored the 100th birthday of Miss Willard when the city park was named the Frances E. Willard Memorial Park. "Rev. F.F. Ott spoke briefly and Miss Mary Ida Torr planted a white Willard peony. A company of prominent citizens and school children were present. The local union had much to do with establishing and caring for the park. Mrs. G. A. Freeman, local member, was honored by having Miss Willard pin on her the white ribbon when she was a young girl.

BISHOP CUSHMAN of the Methodist Church, says: "The Liquor problem is supremely the job of the church. The church of God remains the agency that is most concerned because this is fundamentally a moral and spiritual problem. Any group of Christians concerned with the building of the Kingdom of God on earth comes within the definition of the church of God." — Exchange.

NO LIQUOR ADS FOR MINNEAPOLIS STAR - JOURNAL

Early in August the Minneapolis "Journal" a sixty-year-old newspaper, was purchased by the Minneapolis "Star." The Minneapolis daily and Sunday "Star-Journal," as the merged publication is called, is reported to be one of the largest papers west of Chicago, with a circulation of approximately a quarter of a million. This fact makes doubly interesting the news that no liquor or beer advertising is to be carried in the Star-Journal.

When, a few years ago, the Minneapolis "Star" refused liquor advertising, the circulation immediately began to increase, and has continued upward. May the same good fortune attend the "Star-Journal," and may it once more be demonstrated that newspapers, to succeed, do not need the monetary assistance of the liquor industry!

—The Union Signal.

North Dakota also has some newspapers of whose editors we are justly proud. There are, for instance, The Jamestown Sun, Mr. Percy Hansen, editor; The Casselton Reporter, Mr. D. H. Potter, editor; Mr. W. A. Young, Drayton, editor of the Red River Valley Leader; Mr. H. G. Wambheim, editor Hatton Free Press and no doubt many others who have withstood the gilded temptations of the wets and are men "who cannot be bought or sold" but who esteem the higher things of life as most important. All honor to such men! Will you help us complete the list by sending name of your paper and editor if he is dry?

The more we love, the better we are; and the greater our friendships are, the nearer we are to God.—Jeremy Taylor.



KNOWLEDGE OF FIRST AID MAY SAVE A LIFE

Nothing is so disheartening in a serious emergency as knowing what ought to be done but being unable, either through lack of knowledge or ability, to do it. Time and again in cases of accident, knowledge of how to perform the simplest of services has proven of untold benefit, whereas without that knowledge an entirely different story would have been written on the record.

That is one of the theories on which the Red Cross bases its first aid instruction. As more persons are trained in how to give emergency care to the injured, the loss will be the number of deaths and disabilities resulting from accidents. The more persons so trained the greater the likelihood that someone who knows what to do and how to do it will be on the spot in case of mishap to render assistance pending arrival of a doctor or removal to a hospital.

Aptly illustrating this point is the case of a garageman of Salem, Ohio, who had been called to do a towing job in the middle of the night. Due to the darkness he accidentally came in contact with a high voltage transmission line and 11,000 volts coursed through his body.

It so happened that a corporal of the State Highway Patrol was present on the scene. This corporal, like all other members of the Ohio patrol, had been trained by the Red Cross in first aid. He not only knew what ought to be done; he knew how to do it and lost no time in going about his job.

At considerable personal risk he removed the apparently dead garageman from the vicinity of the wire, stretched him out and began artificial respiration by the prone pressure method. Within six minutes there were signs of returning life and sometime afterwards the victim had been sufficiently restored so that he could be taken to a hospital where he recovered completely.

Had the corporal not been trained, had he perhaps known what ought to be done, but not known how to go about it, there would have been a different outcome to this story. The same applies to many other situations. For instance, in case of arterial bleeding, it is a comparatively simple task to stop this bleeding by finger pressure on one of the several so-called pressure points. But if you don't know where these points are, if all you can do is stand futilely by, wringing your hands and saying over and over, "What will I do, what will I do," while life ebbs away, the result will not be pleasant.

When near Adamsville, Tennessee, sometime ago, a high school girl was taken from the water apparently drowned, a CCC boy, trained by the

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MRS. SHEPPARD'S LETTER

Dear White Ribboners:

I am sure we all would have loved to be among the fortunate ones who were privileged to attend the Centenary Celebration, held at Rochester, N. Y., tho' we may have been there in spirit.

National brings, thru The Union Signal, the convention to those of us who were not permitted to be there.

You may now order the attractive Frances E. Willard souvenir issue, which is in itself a beautiful story of a life of service, together with three special convention issues, which will be mailed direct to you in one wrapper. Not only you but your friends will be delighted by these interesting and inspirational numbers. What better opportunity could you have of bringing the story of Frances Willard's life to others, than thru the pages of this handsome Centenary number?

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KNOWLEDGE—

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THE MESSAGE OF THE BRONZE PLAQUE

On one of the walls of our college chapel hangs a bronze plaque. At its top is the challenging figure of an American eagle. Below the eagle, in raised letters, are the following significant words:

In the Memory
Of John L. Robertson
Who Made
The Supreme Sacrifice
In the World War
1917-1918

"Greater Love Hath No Man." In those words lies the inspiration of the message which I bring to you today. For through repeated impressions, occasioned by frequent glimpses of the bronze plaque and its message, there has been built up in my mind a personal realization of the way in which the problem of world peace touches the very life of the college student. It is the realization that the problem of peace is not only a problem of our day but a problem of our generation, a problem so full of possibilities for the future of college youth that we cannot ignore it.

As the message of the bronze plaque came to me, it brought the answers to three questions which to the college student are of towering importance. "How," he asks, "does the problem of world peace affect my opportunity for life? What are the prospects for peace in the world of today? And what contribution can I make to the cause of world peace?"

Thinking of these questions, you might have felt as I did when, one Thursday afternoon, I heard the story of John L. Robertson for the first time. It was told me by one of his classmates, who, when I asked if he had known John L. Robertson, quietly replied, "Yes, Robby was an end on our college football team and an outstanding debater and orator. He planned to dedicate his life to the ministry when he graduated."

The rest of the story has already been told. In 1917 the long arm of the nation reached into Jamestown College, touched Robby on the shoulder, and said, "You must go and fight." The bronze plaque marks Robby's reply and also brings a grim answer to our question, "How does the problem of world peace affect the college student's opportunity for life?"

As we look at the college student, we see a man of promising abilities and deep potentialities. He has plans for the future; a dream of giving his life to produce art, music, literature; a dream of giving his life to fight disease, to educate mankind, to serve his fellow men; a glorious hope of building a home, a nation, and a life.

But John L. Robertson, college student of yesterday, would remind us, the college students of today: "War means the end of your dreams. War means the monotony of military regimentation, the prostitution of your noblest potentialities to the most distasteful deeds, and the futile horror of mutual destruction. If you are to live, war must cease, and peace must come. Your future is bound up in the future of world peace."

Thus we have the answer to our first question, but as college students we must ask a second question. If war means economic, social, and personal chaos, the end of our opportunity for life, what are the prospects for peace in the world of today?

Again the message of the bronze plaque suggests an answer, for it brings a picture of the world as it was in 1917 and 1918, torn by conflicting propaganda, armed to the point of exhaustion, and engaged in world conflict. To me that picture is strangely familiar, for it is, with few exceptions, the dark picture of the world of today on the canvas of 1917. Our world is torn by conflicting pro-

paganda, armed to the point of exhaustion, and shrinking before the looming possibility of spreading world conflict. Our world has seen the rape of Ethiopia, the devouring of China, the razing of Spain, and the ravages of rampant nationalism. Our world is huddled before the closed portals of peace, saying, "World war is inevitable. Peace is nothing but the transient dream of foolish pacifists, a vain hope in a realistic world."

Thus we college students have the answer to our second question. The portals of peace stand closed; locked by national and race prejudice, locked by international injustice and nationalistic greed, locked by added thinking that says that war is a romantic adventure and the only sure solution to all our problems. As we stand before these locked doors and realize that they must be opened if we are to have our opportunity for life, we ask a third question, namely, "What can we, the college students of today, contribute to the cause of world peace?"

Once more the message of the bronze plaque suggests the answer to our question, for it reminds us of the unique position held by the college student. It is he who is to be the citizen and the leader of tomorrow. It is he who is now in training for that position. It is he who is now developing the ideas, the ideals, and the attitudes by which he will chart his course as the leader of tomorrow. But the significant fact is this. The attitudes and opinions of the college student are still very largely in the process of development. They have not yet been set by the bonds of national or race prejudice, nor colored by a selfish greed for profits, nor confused by the dangerous fogs of conflicting propaganda. The college student, therefore, has his philosophy yet to build. He is in a unique position for straight and unbiased thinking. As the citizen and leader of tomorrow, this is his responsibility. As the builder of a future, this can be his contribution to world peace. He has no investments to protect, no munitions to sell, and no newspaper readers and advertisers to satisfy. He can, therefore, bring to bear upon the problem of world peace the concentrated power of straight thinking—straight thinking that will pierce through the sham of false propaganda, the selfishness of vested interests, and the blindness of national and race prejudice; straight thinking which will make impossible a frenzied emotionalism such as that which ruled the nation in 1917. The college student is in a unique position. He can make straight thinking his contribution to world peace.

But as the leader of tomorrow the college student must be a man of action. His actions and his decisions will increasingly become the guiding reins of the nation's destiny. Upon him will rest the choice of war or peace. In such a situation there can be no muddling through and no doing things by halves. In such a situation, as the leader of tomorrow, the college student shall have to couple with his straight thinking the courage of his convictions. This is his responsibility. This can be his contribution to world peace.

What do I mean by courage of conviction? For the answer, come with me to the office of the Secretary of State. At the desk sits the bowed figure of the Secretary, his face marked with the signs of a deep inner struggle. Why? He has just told the cabinet that the Lusitania note is a step toward war. He would rather resign his position than sign such a note. But the Cabinet has not accepted his objections; they have given him two days to make his decision; they have told him, "You will destroy yourself if you resign." Now the Secretary sits at his desk, struggling with his

problem. The great apostle of peace weighs public opinion and public office against his own convictions. Two days later we see him at a final lunch with several members of the Cabinet. He sits silent, communing with himself. At the end he says, "Gentlemen, I have valued our association and friendship. I cannot go along in this note. I think it makes for war."

William Jennings Bryan, Secretary of State, did not save America from war, but he has left with us an undying example. Standing alone and branded a radical and a traitor, he had the courage of his conviction. As the leader of tomorrow the college student must also meet the crises of history. To win peace he will need straight thinking coupled with the courage of his convictions.

Thus we have the answer to each of our three questions. The message of the bronze plaque no longer answers questions but throws down a challenge. To us, the college students of today, that challenge is definite and real. In this hour of crisis our future is bound up in the future of the peace of the United States and the peace of the world; but the world around us shrinks before the looming possibility of spreading world conflict. It is for us, and for you, therefore, to marshal our forces and put into the peace movement straight thinking, coupled with the courage of our convictions!

That is the message and the challenge of the bronze plaque!

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