



"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH"

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MOTHER

Grace Noll Crowell

It is a beautiful word, it, and its meaning;
It holds the feeling of warm arms in its sound,
And the comfort of a dear hand's soft caressing,
And through it old lost lullabies are found.

It is a tender word; it is the answer
To every helpless child's small desperate needs;

It is a holy word—a white fulfilment,
With something of Christ within its selfless deeds.

The simplicities of life are in its keeping;
The old sweet fragrances of milk and bread;

The scent of clean sheets through a dreamless sleeping;
The rustle of soft garments by a bed.

There is one word, my sister and my brother,
That God has written underneath His own,

One word: His intermediary—"Mother."

Who shares the tasks He could not do alone.

THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

As I am writing this the sun is shining brightly through my window; little sprigs of green grass are visible in the lawn tulip plants are pushing their little heads skyward; yes, even some of the robins have returned. Spring is surely here, new life is bursting forth and in our own hearts, we find renewed hope, faith and courage. We are filled with an ambition to clean up, making every thing clean and bright. We are looking forward to the first warm gentle rain that will wash away all dust and dirt and bring forth new life abundantly.

While in this mood, let us look into our own mind and heart and wash away all doubt and fear and go forth with a grim determination to win in this great cause.

Is there a WCTU woman with soul so dead

Who never to herself hath said,
"I can get a new member if I try."

The time for the membership drive has been extended and surely we are not going to let North Dakota fail to do her share in this Home Protection Drive. There are still many mothers who would like the opportunity to join that they too might do their bit for the protection of their homes and loved ones.

As we draw near to "Mother's Day" let us make a special effort to enlist those daughters who are now established in their own homes and who would like to join as a tribute to their White Ribbon mother.

Rev. Roy Smith, pastor of the First Methodist church of Los Ange-

THE WORLD'S W.C.T.U. PRESIDENT CALLS TO OBSERVANCE OF MOTHER'S DAY

Mrs. Ella A. Boole, President of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union, calls upon all National Societies to observe Sunday May 12, 1940 as Mother's Day. "We ask you to observe the day, not only as a tribute to Motherhood, but as a tribute to your own Mother, and endeavor to inspire that spirit in your own children. May it be a day of special significance in every home!"

We do not wish to commercialize the day but there are ways in which we can honor Mother without commercializing it. It is not the fact of a gift not its cost but it is the fact inspired by her love, by her unswerving devotion and her care. The World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union may well take the lead in urging the observance of the day for we have been called "Organized Mother Love."

les, Cal., says "I firmly believe that every Christian mother ought to be in some militant organization fighting the liquor traffic with every means at her command. The first attack on the liquor business must be made by the women. Young mothers must strike the blows for the sake of their homes and their children. No danger so threatens their future. No woman's club deals with any problem so serious and so important to women as liquor. Every Christian woman should be a member of the WCTU or some other anti-liquor organization."

We need the help of every member in this membership drive. Come one, come all!

When this reaches you the district conventions will be in progress in many parts of our state. We will meet many of you personally and to all we send kind and loving greetings. It is my prayer that every district will hold all its unions and its entire membership.

I hope every union is trying to reach the goals outlined in my letter in the January WRB. Keep that before you as a standard of efficiency. What a tower of strength we would be in our state if every union reached all the goals.

I have been greatly encouraged by the fine reports I have received in regard to raising HONOR BRIGHT DOLLARS. I hope that every member will fall in line and earn that dollar for the Honor of North Dakota. I am looking to you dear women to make this possible. You have never failed in the past and I feel sure you will not fail now.

I have had the great pleasure of attending two Institutes this past month. There is no better way to train local women in department work and I wish every district would try to hold Institutes this summer. A well informed union means greater interest and greater accomplishments.

We salute Larimore union with an LTL of 105 members and Northwood with its LTL and a YTC of 24 mem-

MOTHER'S DAY

An International Association has been organized to promote and protect the observance of Mother's Day and to carry forward the work. Any son or daughter of any country is eligible to membership in the association.

Miss Anna Jarvis, of Philadelphia, first conceived the idea of Mother's Day as a tribute of love to mothers who have passed away, but now we keep it for all mothers.

No truer words were ever written than "Mothers have been character builders through all ages," and "A nation's safety rests upon its home life."

The day should be observed as Father's Day, too, for its observance is designed to deepen and perpetuate all family ties. No other word in the English language, not even the sacred word "home," calls up such holy, beautiful and tender associations as the word Mother. Whether she is still with us or whether she has passed the Great Beyond, she is the object of a veneration paid to no other.

Every mother is an artist and her material is not the perishable marble but immortal souls.

"I took a piece of living clay
And gently formed it day by day,
And moulded with my power and art,
A young child's soft and yielding heart.

I came again when years were gone;

bers—they doubled their YTC membership in one year. We have several new LTL's in the state and we do appreciate these new organizations and no work is so IMPORTANT today, as this work among the children.

May God bless each one of you! We pray for His divine guidance in the affairs of the war-torn lands. May He hasten the day when we shall have a just and lasting peace,—a peace based upon justice, not force.

Yours in Loving Service.
—Bessie M. Darling.

THE SAPS

Stella Lavina Olson

The grapes on the grape-vine
Can carry their port wine
Without the least semblance of 'stew;'

The apple-tree's cider
Arises inside her,
But she's never tipsy with brew.

The brandy from peaches
May cause silly speeches,
Though peach-trees themselves never talk;

Though corn's used for whiskey,
The stalks don't get frisky,
But folks who imbibe it can't walk.

The cigarette stoker
And opium smoker
Inhale when their spirits are low,

But fresh as a daisy,
And not a bit hazy,
Tobacco and silk poppies grow.

The mint tells the tulip,
"Ho, ho for the julep
That cheers all the hearts that are blue;

"It makes people happy,
To find plants so sappy,
But who are the saps, I ask you?"
Fargo, N. Dak.

Every drink is another link to chain
the man who will not think.

It was a man, I looked upon.
He still that early impress bore,
And naught could change it any more."

The greatest need of America today is Christian mothers who will bring up their children "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

Parents loved their children before Jesus was born in Bethlehem, but Christianity has re-valued the child. Home and parenthood mean more than ever before and we should appreciate their worthfulness.

Among the days set apart for National observance, with the exception of Christmas and Easter, there is none that compares with Mother's Day. While we thank God for our mothers, whose loving wisdom guided our young lives in the ways of purity and peace, should we not offer a prayer for the young lives that have not known such care, and should we not uphold the hands of those who go forth in the spirit of Christian motherhood, though they may never have borne a child themselves, to touch many such neglected lives and mother them in their great need of loving, wise counsel; and should we not pay tribute to these women of the mother-heart?

Philips Brooks said: "The future of the race marches forward on the feet of little children," and mother has these young lives in her care and keeping."

—Exchange.

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EDITORIAL

"It is always noon-tide somewhere And across the awakening continents From shore to shore, somewhere, Our prayers are rising, evermore."

President Roosevelt was asked recently by the minister of a church that was celebrating its 200th anniversary — "What, in your opinion, is the most fundamental need in the lives of the young people of today?" The President replied by quoting from a broadcast he made four years ago, and said:

"No greater thing could come to our land today than a revival of the spirit of religion, a revival that would sweep through the homes of the nation and stir the hearts of men and women of all faiths to a re-assertion of their faith in God and their dedication to His will for themselves and for their world. I doubt if there is any problem — social, political or economic — that would not melt away before the fire of such a spiritual awakening." Later he added: "These were my views more than four years ago. They constitute a deeply settled conviction on my part. May God speed the day when that conviction shall possess the hearts and minds of all our people."

Differ as we may with the President in other matters, we feel he has expressed a vital truth, which applies not only to our young people but to all of us. While we accept the doctrine, we must be ready to practice it in our daily lives. We must, as Bishop Cushman says, "Practice the Presence," realize, with Tennyson that "Closer is He than breathing, Nearer than hands or feet;" walk with Him in sweet communion, knowing He loves and cares. So shall we say "Yes" to God, doing His will as He shows us the way.

We covet beauty for our young people — not alone physical beauty — desirable as that may be — but that hidden adorning of which Peter writes, "even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit; which is, in the sight of God, of great price." The Psalmist has the same idea when he writes, "The king's daughter is all glorious within" and, in another place, "That our daughters may be as cornerstones, polished after the similitude of a palace."

Emphasizing the beauty of character, the writer of Proverbs says: "Favour is deceitful and beauty is vain, but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised." Beautiful daughters will make beautiful wives and mothers — the fundamental need of our nation today.

"I pray the prayer of Plato old, God make thee beautiful within, And let thine eyes the good behold In everything but sin."

I never saw a city or village yet whose miseries were not in proportion to the number of its public houses.— Oliver Goldsmith.

PERSONAL MENTION

Calvin and Fargo have started Temperance Book Shelves in their public libraries.

Our state director of Child Welfare, Mrs. T. M. Wold, Stanley, has removed to Culbertson, Montana, due to a business change of her husband. We regret to lose this good worker.

Brigadier John Atkinson of Chicago, specialist in Children's work for the Salvation Army, during his stay in Fargo, spoke in several of the Fargo schools on "Public Enemy No. 2," stressing the evils of the cigarette. No social welfare organization has been more outspoken against the liquor traffic and its attendant evils than has the Salvation Army.

Arne Soreng won the medal at a speech contest recently under the auspices of the Grand Forks Scandinavian union. Other contestants were Aileen Herleikson, Ruth Miller, Jean Hanson, and Shirley Dahl. Mrs. H. O. Hermanson, local director, coached the group. Other program features were vocal solos by Ruth Hewitt, piano solos by Barbara Horner, who also served as accompanist, and selections by an instrumental trio composed of Ada Mae Hermanson, Delores and Florence Ryan. Mrs. Darling presided.

Dr. Carl E. Elofson was guest speaker for the Fargo Scandinavian union at the home of Mrs. A. I. Johnson recently, having as his subject, "Narcotics." Dr. Elofson evem-lives the principles of his white-ribbon mother who passed to her rich reward in January of this year.

Mrs. Geo. Campbell was hostess for the Minot union, when Mrs. John Bradley presided, in the absence of Mrs. Truax who is expected home early in May. Speaking on the subject of Alcohol Education were Mmes. Frank Brooks, John Underdahl and C. O. Carlsson. Mrs. Margaret Harding led devotions and Mrs. H. W. Monson sang.

A TEA FOR THE N. T. E. F.—Mrs. Carl C. Pitsch of the Fargo union opened her home for an oriental tea, April 11, for the benefit of the National Temperance Education Fund. Mrs. Pitsch was assisted by W. C. T. U. members of the Calvary Evangelical church. Oriental articles made an interesting exhibit. Nearly 50 ladies called during the afternoon. A substantial sum was contributed for the work. What can you do to keep the honor of North Dakota bright?

PROSPER'S SPLENDID INSTITUTE.—Mrs. Bessie M. Darling, state president, and Mrs. Jessie A. Potter, district president, were guests at the institute under auspices of the Prosper union, held in the Maple Sheyenne Church, April 2nd. Mrs. A. N. Lindsay presided. Others taking part on the program were Mrs. A. W. Johnson, who spoke on Peace, Mrs. Waa who led devotions; Mrs. Melvin Gangness who led the Flag Salute; Mrs. M. A. Gunberg whose topic was Alcohol and Religious Education. In the evening Rev. Geo. Hull of Mapleton conducted devotions; the L. T. L. put on a demonstration and its history was read by a member; Music was furnished by Rev. and Mrs. Gunberg, by a ladies quartette and by the L. T. L. A delicious dinner was served in the evening and a luncheon at noon. The evening address was by Mrs. Darling and the benediction by Rev. Mr. Gunberg.

NORTHWOOD'S Speech contest was a great success. The attendance was estimated at 400, with a large

GIDEONS DEDICATE 250 BIBLES

It was a rare and momentous occasion when, on April 16, in the Central High School at Fargo, officers of the Gideons dedicated 250 Bibles for use in the Fargo public schools. On the platform with the Gideons were the Superintendent of city schools, Mr. H. H. Kirk and the Principal of the high school, Prof. B. C. Tighe. The auditorium was filled with more than 900 students, members of the W.C.T.U. and others also being present to witness the significant ceremony. Presiding, Mr. A. E. Asleson introduced Mr. J. C. Fladseth, who read with fine emphasis, a selection from the 3rd. chapter of Proverbs, after which Mr. W. H. Northrup offered prayer.

In an impressive address, Mr. F. J. Hubbard explained the origin of the Gideons, some forty years ago, — a company of Christian business men whose program is to place the Bible, not only in hotel rooms, but in hospitals, penitentiaries, jails and other institutions. At its International convention in 1937, the Bible in the Public schools was definitely made a part of the Gideon program. With the sanction and approval of the State Superintendent of Schools and the local Board of Education, the Gideons have undertaken this work. Believing that "My Word shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please and shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it," the Gideons, through prayer and faith, carry on their work. Since their organization 40 years ago, more than 1,500,000 Bibles have been placed, mostly in hotels, but now in many other places. Closing his remarks, Mr. Hubbard presented to Supt. Kirk a Bible with his name engraved on the cover. Accepting it Mr. Kirk graciously replied, expressing his approval of the proceedings.

As our readers are aware, the School Laws of North Dakota make the following declaration: Sec. 1388. — "The Bible shall not be deemed a sectarian book. It shall not be excluded from any public school. It may, at the option of the teacher, be read in school without sectarian comment not to exceed ten minutes daily. No pupil shall be required to read it nor to be present in the school room, during the reading thereof, contrary to the wishes of his parents or guardians or other person having him in charge."

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union highly commends this timely action of the Gideons. Dr. Roy G. Ross, Specialist in religious education, said recently: "Twenty million young pagans growing up in America provide recruits for the amazing crime waves and juvenile delinquency of our day." And he would seem correct, for the average age of criminals in America in 1890 is said to have been 48 years, in 1933, 26 years and in 1938 only 19 years. A leading authority recently stated that fully a

proportion of young people. Mrs. S. O. Nelson, who was asked to present the medal, was pleasantly surprised to find the winner her grandson, Gene Halvorson. Other contestants were Doris Arnett, Faye Sponheim, Phoebe Tornbom and Phyllis Land who received subscriptions to The Young Crusader. Much credit for the excellent performance is due Mrs. Rosholt, who though confined to her bed with illness, so successfully coached the contestants. The high school glee club and a mixed chorus furnished music. Three of the first prize essays in the different grades were read and the winning posters were exhibited about the church. Prizes to the amount of \$10.00 were awarded the four groups. This enterprising union is specializing in young people's work.

COR. SEC.'S CORNER

DAYS OF GRACE

We are thankful that time for the Membership Campaign has been extended to July 1st. North Dakota needs the extra time. Our record at present is disappointing. When we read in The Union Signal the long lists of Home Defenders (those gaining five new members each) we wonder what is the matter with our women that we have only two Defenders so far reported. We would be glad to welcome more Home Protectors (those gaining one member each). There must be several this month but so far none have been reported. Let's make May a memorable month!

The most we can do for our beloved cause is to strengthen our membership. Before long, we shall be in another campaign, this election year. We need to present a strong and united front to the enemy. Have you not some friend whom you have never asked to join? Can you not observe Mother's Day by getting some mother to join, in memory of your own mother? Oh, we could all do so much more if we would only bestir ourselves.

"We all can do more than we have done,
And be not a whit the worse;
It never was loving that emptied the heart,
Nor giving that emptied the purse."

DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

First to be held this year is the convention for Fargo district at Mayville April 23, with the state president, Mrs. Darling, as guest speaker. Then follow the James-Velje district at Jamestown April 30 and the Ransom-JaMoire at Dickey May 1st. Mrs. Darling will then proceed to Hettinger district for the convention there May 3 and with same dates between will attend the Bismarck district meeting at McKenzie, May 9.

Mrs. Wilder will attend the meeting for the Northwest district at Wildrose May 2, for the Minot district at Minot May 8 and for the New Rockford district at Minnewaukan May 10. She will also visit Williston and Ray en route. Arrangements are being made for the Ellendale district to meet at Glover May 18; Grand Forks district at Grand Forks, May 21; Devils Lake district at Rock Lake, May 28 and Northeast district at Nekoma possibly May 29, which will conclude the district conventions for this year.

—B. H. W.

half million school boys today will be behind prison bars ten years from now. And the Warden of Sing Sing prison says: "We have somehow failed to find the link between Education and Character." May it not be that the Bible will help furnish that missing link? "The entrance of Thy Word giveth light."

It is greatly worthwhile to place the Bible in the hands of boys in the 'halls' but vastly better to see that they have access to it before they enter the jail. Let us encourage this good work all we can and help the men of this splendid organization in their praiseworthy project.

We are glad to know that plans are being made to place Bibles in other schools of the state.

"I'd like to see the Bible placed

Where the Bible used to be,

Upon the top of teacher's desk

For every child to see.

I'd like to hear the teacher say

As my teacher used to do:

"Before we work or play today

I'd like to read to you."

BHW.

TREASURER'S REPORT

DUES—Edinburg 6; Flasher 1; Hettinger 2; Grand Forks 8; Stanley 1; Parshall 1; Calvin 8; Underwood 7; New Rockford 1; McKenzie 2; Northwood 1; Grand Forks Scan. 5; Fargo Scan 8.

DUES, L.T.L.—Northwood 41; Grand Forks Scan. 20.

BUDGET IN FULL—Edinburg; Makoti; Edgely; Grand Forks Scan.

BUDGET IN PART—Hannah \$5.00; McKenzie \$4.00.

N.T.E.F.—Fargo \$16.00; Grand Forks Scan. in memory of Mrs. A. J. Aaker, \$2.00.

STATE REPORTS—Edinburg 2.

—Mrs. R. B. Reed,
Treasurer.

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CHILD WELFARE AND HEALTH

Dear Comrades:

"Suffer little children to come unto Me and forbid them not, for such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

Early in February I sent literature for this department to every local president in the state. I hope plans are well under way for a Mother's Day program and for a consecration service for White Ribbon Recruits. Child Health Day is May 1st, and Mother's Day May 12. I suggest you invite young mothers with their little children and the older mothers and grandmothers, as well, having a joint program honoring both mothers and children.

This program may be greatly enriched by the use of material found in the report of the recent "White House Conference on Children in a Democracy." Alcohol has a very definite relation to broken homes, poverty, crime, divorce and the health of mother and child. Our job is to bring this information to the attention of all groups working for the welfare of children.

"Needs and Goals for 1940" as outlined by the White House Conference, speaks to the people for all the children. There are some 33 millions of children under 16 years of age in the United States and about five million more of ages 16 and 17—altogether nearly a third of the population. Each year about two million babies are born. These voiceless fellow citizens, who hold the National future in their bodies and brains are necessarily a first interest of the nation. "Concern for the child begins before his birth in concern for his parents." "God could not be everywhere so He made mothers." "A Little Child Shall Lead Them."

"Open the gates for the dear little feet,
Mothers are bringing their babies so sweet,
Give them a welcome—these children so fair,
Open the beautiful gates."

Won't you please write and tell me about your May meetings?
Yours for service,

—Mrs. T. M. Wold.

Box 234, Culbertson, Mont.

WHO SHOULD? YOU SHOULD!

"Special emphasis this year on forming Home Legions," says our L. T. L. National head, Lenadell Wiggins. Who should start an L.T.L. and how? Young mothers are already burdened with the care of their own children. Yet they may with the same breath used in teaching their own, and not much more energy, gather in their neighborhood children and teach them altogether the truths of sobriety and purity.

Middleaged mothers? Their experience in training their own youth has

SUMMER PLANS

Fields of Activity Open for the Loyal Temperance Legion

SUMMER LEGION: A Legion meeting for an hour once a day for a period of ten days. Plans made to suit the convenience of the local L.T.L. secretary. The summer Legion could hold over a period of two weeks, holding a meeting a day from Monday through Friday. OR two meetings a week over a period of five weeks. OR one meeting a week for ten weeks. The summer plan is for leaders who cannot carry on the L.T.L. on the month by month plan. By holding at least ten meetings the teaching plan for the year will be reached, standards for instruction and activity met and other special points of education emphasized.

OUTDOOR MEETING: Whenever possible have outdoor meetings. Carry on the program as for an indoor meeting but have group on the lawn, porch, park or picnic ground.

PICNICS AND HIKES: A picnic, hike or trail, following the regular meeting, helps with summer plans.

ORGANIZE HOME LEGIONS: Summer is an open field for forming Home Legions. The children are forming in gangs for neighborhood play. Find a woman in each community who will, from the summer gang, form an L.T.L. club. It will serve a dual purpose, giving the boys and girls a neighborhood club and good times, also opening the way for giving children information as to the value of total abstinence.

MAY TIME—CHECK TIME: Time for the local L.T.L. secretary and L.T.L. officers to check the Legion Standard. Find how many requirements of the standard have been met. Form plans for qualifying as a Standard Legion.

given them stability and patience. They would make capable L.T.L. leaders.

Old mothers? Still young in spirit, why not, old mothers? Time has forced in them a purpose steady and true. Experience has shown them where wrong youthful ideals lead. Rearing their own children has deepened their love for all children. So let's say young-old mothers may start L.T.L.'S. This is how it was done in Yorba Linda:

Here was a grandmother who likes to knit and quilt and make lemon pies, but there came a time when she lifted her eyes from those homey tasks and looked out of her window figuratively speaking, and saw the temptations and pitfalls before the youth of today. It seemed that something ought to be done. Somebody ought to do the something. Could she possibly do at least a little of the something? She loved her Master and wanted to help His little ones. She considered that when she gets to the end of life's path and meets her master, probably He will not be so much interested in how many rugs she has braided, or how many bedspreads crocheted for the coming generation as He will be in how many little souls she has anchored in His Word and how many little feet she has guided past the snares set for the innocent and unwary in these days by unscrupulous profit-mongers.

So she laid down her knitting and went out of her cozy home and made calls on the influential persons of the churches and schools of her community. Having worked up a feeling of need for an L.T.L., she has seen to the organizing of two Legions.

Now, is she not pining for the settled life, sitting in her kitchen rocking chair? No, because she is back in it. Yes, she has her sewing basket out again, for is she not planning and supervising all the work done upon a Frances Willard Centenary quilt being made by the L.T.L.'s of Orange

IN MEMORIAM

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints." Psalm 116:15

Mrs. F. P. Stowell, a saint indeed, for many years active in the work of the Valley City union, devoted to every good cause and faithful to every duty, has entered into the joy of her Lord.

Mrs. Amanda Ostmo and Mrs. A. J. Aaker, faithful members of the Grand Forks Scandinavian union, which sent memorial wreaths for their beloved comrades.

Our sympathy is expressed to Mrs. Ed Thompson of the same union, in the Home-going of her husband.

And to Mrs. Alma McLees, of Fargo, in the sudden call to the Better Land of her lovely little daughter, Audrey Ann.

"Oh, not in cruelty, not in wrath
The Reaper came that day;
Twas an angel visited the green earth
And took the flowers away."

THAT WHITE RIBBON MOTHER OF MINE

When I see all the sorrow and sins I was spared,
By the prayers of a White Ribbon mother who cared,
Sure, I thank thee, O Lord, with a heart so contrite,
For mother's White Ribbon that guided me right.

—May A. Wheeler.

MAY

by George MacDonald

Merry, r'licking, frolicking May
Into the woods came skipping one day:

She teased the brook till he laughed outright,

And gurgled and scolded with all his might;

She chirped to the birds and bade them sing

A chorus of welcome to Lady Spring;
And the bees and butterflies she set

To waking the flowers that were sleeping yet.

She took the trees till the buds looked out

To see what the trouble was all about,
And nothing in Nature escaped that day

The touch of the life-giving bright young May.

—The Young Crusader.

THE UNION SIGNAL GAINS

The March drive for The Union Signal brought gratifying results. Our state made a great gain and the National list of subscribers was increased by 704 names. The Young Crusader circulation had dropped a little but since that report we have heard of a number of new subscriptions for this excellent children's paper.

Please accept my thanks for all you have done and are doing for THE UNION SIGNAL and THE YOUNG CRUSADER.

Cordially yours,

—Mrs. A. V. Sheppard,
State Promoter.

county? and which shows on one side a quilt-sized map of Forest Home as it is pictured in "Pioneer Girl." It has house, barn, Eagle's Nest, Rock river, the schoolhouse, and all applied upon it with a row of Humpies around the border. Now, she is assembling the forces to get it quilted in time to be sent to the National W.C.T.U. convention at Rochester. This is Margaret Cram answering the question, "Who should start an L.T.L.? A grandmother, why not?"
—So, California White Ribbon.

YOUTH MESSAGE FOR THE LOCAL UNION

Martha Smyth Cooper

The past few years have seen an unprecedented amount of attention focussed on the twenty million Americans making up the population element known as "youth." The American Academy of Political Science devoted its Annals for 1937 to "The Prospect of Youth." The American Council on Education created a Youth Commission to make an extensive study of the problems and attitudes of young people. The findings of its most significant study, among 13,000 boys and girls in Maryland, were published in 1938 under the caption, "Youth Tell Their Story." Numberless youth forums and polls have been launched in an attempt to stimulate the expression of opinion from this rising generation.

The reason or justification for what might seem to be an over-emphasis on youth lies in the fact that young people of today are facing a peculiar situation. They are coming into maturity in a transition period, with the memory of economic crash still fresh and its unsolved consequences facing them clearly. How the younger members of the American family will meet the situation is of importance, for the future of America, even its immediate future, is yet to be decided, and much hangs in the balance.

One of the most obvious reactions discoverable in the modern mind is one of confusion about what to believe, or what life means. As a young man put it in one of the "Youth Sreaks" discussions conducted by McCall's magazine, "The great lack in our educational structure is its failure to establish goals—the purpose of life around which we can accept or reject certain things. . . ." One could observe that this is not a fault of the educational structure alone, for religion, too, appears unreal for many. In reply to the question, "Have students lost their religion?" Ruth Davies, in The Christian Century, said, "They can't lose what they haven't got." We must admit that the younger participants in the social scene are calling all things in question, and that in many cases their religious potentialities are as yet untouched. They have not found their way through this confusion into faith of the sort that compels their whole loyalty and by which they make decisions.

It is in this state of mind that the drink habit finds least resistance. Uncertainty of religious belief, dissatisfaction with life in general, jitteriness over the "job" situation, are good soil in which the social drink custom may thrive. There is an imperative need for young Christian leaders to meet these un-Christian attitudes, to jolt their contemporaries out of this slough of despond, and to challenge them with the Christian interpretation of life.

Most of all other Beautiful Things
In Life, come by Two's and Three's
By Dozens and Hundreds.

Plenty of Roses, Stars, Sunsets,
Rainbows, Brothers and Sisters,
Aunts and Cousins, but only one

Mother

In all the wide world.

—Kate Douglas Wiggin.

A partnership with God is motherhood;
What strength, what purity, what self-control,
What love, what wisdom, should belong to her
Who helps God fashion an immortal soul.

Dr. Mary Wood-Allen.

THEY SAY I'M A FANATIC!

I know people who believe that a man should not be allowed to drive his car on the wrong side of the street, and though he has the privilege of going where he pleases, he should not be permitted to drive there at a breakneck speed. Yet they tell me that they have the right to sell a fluid that will make a man zig zag his car on all sides of the street at a speed that promises to break his neck and mine too. I tell them that I don't believe it, and they tell me I'm a fanatic.

I know people who believe that a man should not be allowed to murder, or commit adultery, or steal, or rob. Yet they tell me that they have the right to dispense a liquid whose contents will make a man commit acts that run the whole gamut of crime and vice. I tell them that I don't believe it and they say that I'm a fanatic.

I know people who believe that even if this is a country of free speech, yet the law should not allow a man to disturb the peace of the neighborhood by raising his raucous voice in the middle of the night. But still they argue that it is their inalienable right to pour down a man's throat an abominable broth that will convert him into a singing idiot that not only arouses the neighborhood but shocks it as well. I tell them that I don't believe it, and they say I'm a fanatic.

I know people who believe that an insane man should be safely lodged behind the walls of an asylum. Yet they hold it to be their constitutional right to manufacture and retail a beverage that will produce all the stages of insanity from a babbling fool to a raving maniac. I tell them I don't believe it, and they say I'm a fanatic.

I know people who believe that a bartender should not be allowed to sell liquor to a man who is intoxicated. I tell them he should not be allowed to sell the liquor that makes him intoxicated because if intoxicating liquor is bad for a drunk man, it must be bad for a sober man, inasmuch as it will reduce him to a state of intoxication where the bartender will not be allowed to sell it to him. But they tell me that I'm a fanatic.

I know people who believe that the American school girl should learn just how much liquor she can drink and retain her self respect. But I tell them that if a girl loses her self respect after she has had two drinks, then, after she has had one drink, she is just half respectable. They don't like that. They say I'm a fanatic.

I know people that feel sorry for me. They say I don't enjoy life, I never have a good time. But I tell them I can't see why I have to drink some bad tasting stuff that will give me the gout, hobnail my liver, muddle my brain, make my breath bad enough to drive a sow from her wallow, and reduce me to a state so low and so vile that a dog would tuck his tail and hang his head if caught in the same position, just to have a good time. They shake their heads and say I'm a fanatic.

I tell the people that if they want to get rid of an evil, they'll have to get rid of the cause. I can see no sense in pumping air into a tire that has a nail in it. Why not stop the leak in the water pipe before mopping the floor? If people want to stop crime, let them stop the thing that produces crime. If they want to stop automobile accidents, let them stop the thing that causes the accidents. If they want to stop drunkenness, let them stop selling the stuff that makes men drunk. That's the way I feel about it, but they tell me I'm a fanatic.

They told me during national prohibition that prohibition brought the bootlegger and, if we repealed prohibi-

THE CURE FOR WAR

CHRIST OF THE ANDES

Evangeline Booth tells the story thus: "Between the two republics of Chile and Argentina in South America, the boundary line had long been a matter of dispute and was fast leading to war and bloodshed and the armies on both sides were mobilizing.

But on a sun-bathed Easter morning in 1900, the last year of the dying century, a saintly bishop of Argentina preached the Risen Christ and his law of brotherly love between men and nations. Far and wide he proclaimed his message until his countrymen were aroused to action. Across the border a Chilean bishop took up the same evangel and he too toured the land urging peace and reconciliation.

Miraculous was the change wrought in public sentiment. Plans for mobilization and conflict were replaced by schemes for a lasting peace and the glorious result was a treaty of unconditional arbitration.

In both nations their armies were reduced to a police force, their workshops converted into merchantmen, the grand arsenal of Chile was made a technical school. (Ah, the power of two God-smitten preachers. Oh, the vast unclaimed power of preachers and Christians everywhere!)

But this was not enough—treaties sometimes fail. These two republics wished to erect an enduring monument to their pledge to each other, so the former instruments of death, the frontier guns, were melted and cast into a great bronze figure of the Christ. It was conveyed to the summit of the Pass in the Andes between Chile and Argentina, 13,000 feet in the clouds.

On March 13, 1904, this lordly figure of the World's Redeemer was unveiled in the presence of vast throngs from both sides of the frontier.

The Argentine soldiers encamped by invitation on the Chilean side, and the Chilean soldiers on the Argentine, showing that those who had been bitterest enemies were now brothers.

Martial music and the thunder of guns proclaimed the new law of peace.

Then in profound silence the statue was unveiled. As the day died and the last rays of the setting sun painted a halo around the head of Christ, the two peoples knelt in prayer and gave their sanction to the inscription engraved on the pedestal:

"Sooner shall these mountains crumble to dust than Argentines and Chileans break the peace which at the feet of Christ the Redeemer they have sworn to maintain."

Then the bishop of Ancud, with the zeal of a prophet, uttered these noble words: "Not only to Argentina and Chile do we dedicate this monument, but to the world, that from this, it may learn its lesson of universal peace."

And there the majestic monument stands, sending forth its undying message to the world that the lowly Nazarene has furnished the formula that works. And more than that, that it is the only formula known to man that can bring peace to the world.

—Southern California White Ribbon. bition, the bootlegger would disappear. But I hear that there are more bootleggers now than during prohibition. I ask them why the bootlegger doesn't disappear, and they tell me I'm a fanatic.

They told me during national prohibition that if you tell a man not to do a thing he will do it just because he was told not to do it. And then they said if we made it easy for a

THE GREAT DELUSION

The Great Delusion had its origin in Washington, D. C., when Congress voted to repeal the 18th Amendment. Is it now the irony of fate that Washington is the wettest city in the United States?

According to Dr. W. S. Abernethy in "The Christian Century," the Capital of the United States in 1938 consumed 2,301,000 gallons of hard liquor. On a per capita calculation this is six times as great as that of the nation as a whole. Moreover the District of Columbia has licensed 400 more places where hard liquor may be bought at retail. There are 580 in all of Pennsylvania whose population is 18 times as large.

Financial figures are equally astounding. Last year Washington, D. C., spent \$31,000,000 for its drink bill, \$50 per capita, and only \$18,000,000 for health and welfare work, \$31 per capita. And its modest community chest goal of \$2,000,000 was only 94 per cent subscribed!

More drink and less health; more liquor and less charity; this is Washington six years after repeal. It could not be otherwise.

MY MOTHER'S VERSION

A Bible class teacher was telling of the various translations of the Bible and their different excellencies. The class was much interested, and one of the young men that evening was talking to a friend about it.

"I think I prefer the King James' Version for my part," he said "though of course the Revised is more scholarly."

His friend smiled, "I prefer my mother's translation of the Bible to any other version," he said.

"Your mother's?" cried the first young man, thinking his companion had suddenly gone crazy. "What do you mean, Fred?"

"I mean that my mother has translated the Bible into the language of daily life for me ever since I was old enough, to understand it. She translates it straight, too, and gives its full meaning. There has never been any obscurity about her version. Whatever printed version of the Bible I may study, my mother's is always the one that clears up my difficulties!"

—The Outlook.

A TRIBUTE TO MOTHER

This is your Day, O Mother mine.

You were an anchor in Life's ocean.

A matchless love was ever thine.

I give you now my heart's devotion.

—Pliny A. Wiley.

SPRINGTIME

Sunshine and shadow have mingled In the years that have passed away; Sunshine and shadow will mingle In the years that we meet today.

But hand in hand with the Master We fear not what they will bring; He knows. He cares, and He loves us, And God is in everything.

man to get his liquor he wouldn't want it. I couldn't see how they could decrease consumption by increasing the supply, but that's what they said. I didn't think that men murdered one another, robbed banks, or beat their wives just because such things were forbidden by law. And I certainly didn't see why a man would want to kick a pole-cat just because the pole-cat wanted to be left alone. But they said that people drank because the law prohibited it. If I ask them why they don't stop drinking now, they tell me I'm a fanatic.

—Charles Wesley King.
in National Voice.

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