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LET SOMETHING GOOD BE SAID

(This is the motto over the fireplace in Frances Willard's den)

When over the fair fame of friend or foe
The shadow of disgrace shall fall;
instead
Of words of blame, or proof of thus and so,
Let something good be said.

Forget not that no fellow-being yet
May fall so low but love may lift his head;
Even the cheek of shame with tears is wet
If something good be said.

No generous heart may vainly turn aside
In ways of sympathy, no soul so dead
But may awaken strong and glorified,
if something good be said.

And so I charge ye, by the thorny crown,
And by the cross on which the Saviour bled,
And by your own soul's hope of fair renown,
Let something good be said.
—James Whitcomb Riley.

THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Co-Workers:

The lovely month of June has slipped away. Each day brings us closer to the end of our fiscal year and it is well for us to remember that our W. C. T. U. membership is counted by PAID MEMBERS ONLY. Let every member assume some responsibility in the collection of dues but it is the duty of the local treasurer to see that no one is missed. We must not lose any one for non-payment of dues this year. I have been sadly disappointed in the apparent lack of interest in our membership campaign and unless we collect dues from all old members, there is great danger we shall show a loss in membership. The state treasurer's books will close Sept. 10 so let us make an earnest effort to meet all financial obligations before that date.

You will be delighted to learn that we have less than \$200 to raise to complete our National Temperance Education Fund. Our state is richly blessed with heavy rains and warm sunshine and there is every indication at present that North Dakota will have a fine crop this year, with prices steadily increasing. Let us return thanks to our heavenly Father for all these blessings and share these gifts by helping in a substantial way to complete our N.T.E.F.

Miss Estelle Bozeman has returned to our state this year and at present is teaching a course in Alcohol Edu-



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
CONVENTION CHURCH, MINOT, N. D.

THE VOICE OF THE BREWERS

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Following are excerpts from an editorial in the Brewers Digest of May, 1941:

"One of the finest things that could have happened to the Brewing Industry was the insistence by high ranking army officers to make beer available at Army Camps . . ."

"The opportunity presented to the Brewing Industry by this measure is so obvious that it is superfluous to go into it in detail. . ."

"Here is a chance for brewers to cultivate a taste for beer in millions of young men who will eventually constitute the largest beer consuming section of our population."

"The present conscripted army is the jealously guarded pride and joy of the entire nation."

—The Union Signal.

cation in State Teachers College, Valley City. From there she will go to Minot State Teachers College for two weeks. We are very happy to have Miss Bozeman in our state and extend to her a very cordial welcome.

The National convention will convene in Grand Rapids, Mich., Aug. 28—Sept. 3. We are entitled to one delegate for every 500 paid members. Any one planning to go will please get in touch with me soon if a credential card as delegate is desired. Great plans are being made by the hostess city and by the Michigan W.C.T.U. for the comfort and welfare of delegates and visitors. A splendid program will be presented and there is no better way to become inspired and enthused with the plan and purpose of our organization than to attend a National convention.

This is vacation time and I hope each member may have an opportunity to enjoy at least a few days of real relaxation but let us always keep in mind that the enemy never takes a vacation. No matter where we are, let us wear our white ribbon badge, thus silently telling the world we are all out for total abstinence and against the liquor traffic and the drink habit.

We still lack about 15 Union Signal subscriptions to complete the quota I pledged at the National convention in Chicago. I counted on each one of you to do your part because you had

never failed me. If 15 unions would each add one more subscription to their list—Presto! It would be completed. Is there a minister, a shut-in, a young mother, a dues-paying member who takes no part in local activities, or a prospective member or officer that would benefit by reading our Union Signal? Let us "scout around" and find a new subscriber immediately.

If no action has been taken on S.860 when this reaches you, please continue to send petitions, letters and telegrams to our U. S. senators asking for a favorable vote on this bill. By action of the Senate this bill has been separated from H.R.2470 and both bills have returned to their original status. Do not get weary in well-doing but continue to urge other organizations and influential citizens to join in the fight to "Defend our Defenders." The brewers say, in discussing the question of beer sales in camp canteens—"Here is a chance for brewers to cultivate a taste for beer in millions of young men who will eventually constitute the largest beer-consuming section of our population." Can we stop it? We know the Secretaries of the Army and Navy are opposed to this legislation but surely we want the defenders of 1941 to have the same protection that their fathers had in 1917. Do your bit!

You will find the Call for the state

HEADLINES

They shout about murder, lust and crime
They shriek of scandal and divorce,
Yet, even then, yes, all the time
Along life's sheltered, even course
The good and gentle take their way
And cleanness walks, a thing apart,
And quietly, by night and day
A fineness reigns in many a heart.

Beneath a million little roofs
Live daily sacrifice and love,
And there are many shining proofs
Where heroes are not spoken of.
High courage, faith and bravery
Are things the world will never lose;
How beautiful if these could be
The headlines in our daily news!
—Grace Noll Crowell.

CALL FOR STATE CONVENTION

The fifty-second annual convention of the North Dakota Woman's Christian Temperance Union is hereby officially called to meet in the Presbyterian Church, Minot, September 23-25, 1941. The general officers will meet at 4:00 p. m., and the executive committee at 4:30 p. m., on the afternoon of September 23.

The executive committee is composed of the trustees, district presidents or their alternates, the general secretaries of Youth's Temperance Council and Loyal Temperance Legion, the editor of state paper, de-

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convention in this Bulletin. I hope that every union will be represented there. It will be a joy and a privilege to welcome to our midst our National Director of Scientific Temperance Instruction, Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer. She is well known in our state especially in the field of education where she served as State Superintendent of Public Instruction. She has made an outstanding contribution to the S.T.U. department of the National W.C.T.U. Let us gather in a large number to welcome her home.

On behalf of myself and the members of the Grand Forks district, I extend a warm welcome to Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, state vice president, who has recently come to our city to make her home. Welcome, Thrice Welcome! It will be a joy and a help to have a fellow officer in my own city.

In our busy every-day life let us not forget the real joy of living comes from service. In our organization there is an opportunity for service for every one—a service that will bring happier homes, stronger bodies and purer souls.

"A task without vision is DRUDGERY;

A vision without a task is a DREAM;
A task with a vision is VICTORY."
Your in service,

BESSIE M. DARLING
Grand Forks, N. D.

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DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT

GOD'S CARE

"God gives us—whenever we live at our best—the spiritual resources we need for victorious living. Do you realize what this means for you as you face the busy days? It means you can say each morning: 'As I enter this new day, God Himself goes with me. His love, His care, His guidance, His protection surround me. They surround me as the silent sunlight surrounds a tree. If I encounter a difficult task I can trust God to give me, through the processes operating in my body, the physical strength I must have. If I encounter a hard problem, I can trust God to give me, through the operations of my mind, the wisdom I need. If I must endure hardship, endure it because there is no honorable way of escape from it, I can trust God to give me the strength, the patience, the inward quietness which my difficult situation demands. I need never be afraid. I need never feel confused, bewildered, inadequate. Whatever happens, God's love and care encompass me. Secure within them I can face life and any situation life may create, undismayed.

"And more than this, God cares for us by working in and through the inner powers of people about us. You ask how God brings us help from other people? Look across the years and you will see the answer. Repeatedly your friends, impelled by some kindly impulse, did significant things for you. They opened before you doorways of opportunity, they whispered to you wise words of counsel, they showed you ways by which you could avoid perils of disease, destitution and fear. They loved you. And their love quickened within you powers which enabled you to master your limitations. All this, we believe, was ultimately God's doing."

From "A Faith to Affirm"
By James Gordon Gilkey

CALL FOR STATE CONVENTION

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partment directors, organizers and field workers.

The membership of the state convention includes the executive committee, district corresponding secretaries and treasurers, chairmen of standing committees, presidents of local unions or their alternates, one delegate at large from every local union and one for every 30 paid members; one L. T. L. delegate for every \$5.00 L. T. L. dues paid into state treasury, said delegate to be an L. T. L. superintendent. The Y. T. C. is entitled to the same representation in the convention as the W. C. T. U. but the delegates must be young women.

The by-laws provide that the state treasurer's books shall close two weeks previous to the annual meet-

BETWEEN OURSELVES

Dear Comrades:

The sweet summer days have been going too fast. When you read this, only a few weeks of our W.C.T.U. year will remain. When you look at the comparative statement by our acting treasurer, Mrs. Lundhagen, you will be startled, as I was, and you will see that we need to do something about it. Shall we not double our diligence and do our very best to make up all arrears before the treasurer's books close Sept. 10? The honor of the North Dakota W.C.T.U. is at stake.

I am greatly encouraged to see how near we are to the completion of our NTEF. But we must not stop now nor take anything for granted until we are sure we have "gone over the top" and are indeed a Gold Star State. This last call from our state president for a small amount from each union will surely do it. How happy we shall be to have it reported at the National convention that North Dakota has completed her quota!

There's another quota we are called upon to complete. See Mrs. Sheppard's letter. How proud we shall be to have Mrs. Darling report at Grand Rapids that North Dakota has raised her quota of Union Signals! And we can do it if we will. If each district president will be responsible for one more, we shall be almost there. I would not urge this on others if I had not done it myself. Is the Union Signal in your school?

Did you ever read anything more diabolical than "The Voice of the Brewers" on first page? Surely we have all been writing our senators and representatives about this most important matter. We have every reason to believe that our North Dakota men in Congress will vote right on this question. Senator Gerald P. Nye writes that he has voted with Sen. Edwin O. Johnson all the way. As you know, Sen. Johnson has been sponsoring the Sheppard Bill since the much-regretted decease of Sen. Sheppard. Sen. Wm. Langer writes: "You may depend upon me not only to support but also to fight for and to do anything else within my power to provide decent and clean surroundings for our boys while they are preparing to defend our country."

My sisters and I recently enjoyed a very pleasant visit from Mrs. Annie F. Catherwood and Mrs. Nellie M. Cross of Park River. Mrs. Catherwood has for many years been recording secretary for the Northeast district and is one of our most faithful members. Mrs. Cross is state director of Publicity and does much to promote our work. She maintains each week a column in the Red River Valley Leader, published at Drayton by Mr. W. A. Young, an outstanding dry editor, who will not accept liquor or tobacco ads. and of whom we are proud. So interested is Mr. Young in the work of the W.C.T.U. that he gives us space free while other newspapers charge for the same. Did

ing and the date has been set as Sept. 10. Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer will be welcomed as guest speaker on the evening of Sept. 24. The convention will open as usual with a banquet the evening of the 23rd of September. She state president will give her annual address the evening of the 25th. A Pearl Speech Contest is contemplated. The mid-week date was found satisfactory to our women last year and we are adopting it again this year. Plan to attend and help make the convention a great success.

BESSIE M. DARLING,
President.
ALBERTA W. LUNDHAGEN,
Cor. Secy.

you notice the Minneapolis papers refuse liquor ads. and prosper?

We all have a great opportunity through the press. Most editors, whether wet or dry, will accept anything that is real news. So let us see to it that worthwhile things are reported. Speaking of that reminds me, I would be glad of more news items for the White Ribbon Bulletin. What are your doing? Won't you tell me?

Cordially yours,

BARBARA H. WYLIE.
Bowsmont, N. D.

OUR UNION SIGNAL PROMOTER WRITES:

Dear Co-workers:

Now that our National convention is drawing near and plans are being made for same, it is important that we, White-ribboners, with world and national affairs as they are, we with consecrated hearts, look to God in prayer, that spiritual blessings may be evidenced.

It has been my earnest desire and prayer that as our State president goes to Grand Rapids this year, she might be able to report the good news that North Dakota reached her Union Signal pledge. Tho' I think we have done very well the past year, I am sorry to relate there has been a slight loss of late, and according to June Circulation report just received, we need to raise 15 NEW subscriptions this month in order to obtain our goal. Unless some "reader" who has failed to renew her Signal will do so at once, and others after reading this issue of the White Ribbon Bulletin and especially this appeal, would go out and secure just ONE new subscription each, sending it immediately to our Circulation editor at Evanston, our promise could be fulfilled.

We find that this work of promotion is continuous, and that "here a little, and there a little" will keep the work a-going. As you visit with folks and confidences flow naturally, make use of the golden opportunity and speak a word for our official papers. The following excerpt from a letter illustrates the kind of enthusiastic, personal statements suitable for such occasions: "I find I can no more do effective work along temperance and educational lines without the Signal that I can make a dress without a pattern. I am director for official papers in our local union, and urging all the members to subscribe, knowing they will have more than value received in doing so. "Personal opinions and experiences make the best sales talks. You doubtless have some that can be turned into subscriptions, and because we have such an outstanding magazine, let us all make it our special task to extend its circulation and influence, and at this eleventh hour each do our part toward fulfillment of our quota.

"You may be troubled about what is ahead for our children in the years to come. Surely they need to be armored with more than the day school education. Those who dream that out of this day's catastrophe will arise a new, better world, believe material standards must be shoved into second place and the spiritual standards must be first. The objective of The Young Crusader—character development. "We must re-emphasize character." THE YOUNG CRUSADER POINTS THE PATH FOR CHILDREN.

The Honor Roll lists of the UNION SIGNAL and YOUNG CRUSADER names are being published in the Signal as space permits. Has your name been given there?

"A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell by the wayside and were trodden down; some fell upon rock, and withered

MRS. WANNER WRITES:

Dear Co-Workers:

Schools are over and a good many posters have come to me for judging but I am sure there are more to come. Will you please get them to me soon? Those received are unusually fine and original and I am sure that much that never will be forgotten has been learned in Scientific Temperance Education by the many hundreds of students making these posters. Many unions report having shown the prize posters at P. T. A.'s, county fairs, scores and public buildings where they were very much admired and also passed on temperance education.

Convention time will soon be here and will you please commence NOW to prepare your report on ALL your temperance education work? Remember this is not boasting but only helping and encouraging others to do the work, at the same time helping me to prepare my report to the National WCTU director of this department.

The Brewers are saying in their magazine of May 1941 in discussing the question of beer sales in Camp Canteens—"Here is a chance for brewers to cultivate a taste for beer in millions of young men who will eventually constitute the largest beer-consuming section of our population." This should be a challenge to every Christian man and woman, and spur us on to inform friends and neighbors, write letters and send petitions to our senators and representatives in Washington, urging them to work and vote for the Sheppard Bill—S.860.

I wish that each member could and would read article on third page of Union Signal of July 5—"Judge Attacks Legal Liquor." Our press correspondent had it copied in our Daily Sun.

We must educate and agitate and be informed so that we may do so in an authentic and educational manner. I trust that each union has sent many petitions to Washington about S.860. Our representatives there are NOT mind-readers but they ARE our representatives and will be glad to learn what we desire them to do. Be sure to read each Washington Letter in the Union Signal and discuss it with others. With Hornel Hart let us pray,—"Teach us to build, O Master, until Thy Kingdom come."

Yours for better work,

MRS. FRED M. WANNER.
Jamestown, N. D.

away; and some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up and choked it. And others fell on good ground, and sprang up and bare a hundred fold." Luke 8:5-8.

Only one-fourth bore fruit; but that one-fourth bare a hundred fold.

Cordially yours,

BELLE SHEPPARD.

GRAND FORKS DISTRICT CONVENTION

Northwood was hostess, May 27, Mrs. Geo. S. Muir, district president, presiding officer, Mrs. Bessie M. Darling and Mrs. Frank Beasley, guest speakers. After assembly singing the flag salute was led by Mrs. D. F. Douglas, Gilby. Mrs. Louis Lasse-son conducted the worship service. Reports of district officers, directors and local unions followed and showed good work done. A memorial service was led by Mrs. Ira Herzberg, Grand Forks, during which Mrs. R. Mutchler and Mrs. Oliver Bilden sang a duet. The noontide prayer was voiced by Rev. Ira Herzberg.

After the noon luncheon, served in the church, Mrs. T. A. Strandness conducted devotions for the afternoon session. Mrs. A. V. Sheppard, Grand Forks, spoke on the essentials of a

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REPORT OF ACTING TREASURER

May 15, to July 15, 1941

STATE DUES:

Jamestown, 6; Fortuna, 2; Valley City, 8; Grand Forks Scandinavian, 8; Northwood, 1; Hettinger, 1; Grand Forks, 13; Calvin, 2; Bottineau, 3; Rugby, 7; Glover, 13; Fargo, 3.

WILLARD DUES: \$9.00.

Y.T.C. DUES: Northwood 26.

L.T.L.: Valley City, 26; Calvin, 8; Sawyer, 13; Hettinger, 51; Larimore, 78; Bismarck, 10.

BUDGET IN PART:

Jamestown, \$8.00; Valley City, \$4.50; Minot, \$7.00; Edinburg, \$5.00; Minnewaukan, \$8.00.

BUDGET IN FULL:

Sawyer, Grand Forks, Prosper.

N. T. E. F.:

Northwest District, \$5.00; Minot District, \$6.50; Alamo, \$3.95; Bottineau, \$9.50; Powers Lake, \$2.12; Fortuna (Memory W. P. Vincent), \$10.00; Larimore, \$8.00; Bowesmont, \$5.00; Fargo, \$5.00; Northwood, \$3.00. N. T. E. D. Newspaper Publicity: Sawyer, \$2.00.

DISTRICT PLEDGE:

Grand Forks, \$10.00; Devils Lake, \$5.00; New Rockford, \$5.00.

The report in the June Bulletin should have included Oberon Union as having paid their budget in full. I apologize to Oberon Union for this omission. The three Unions named in this report bring the total of those who have paid their budget in full to 31, this is less than half of the total number of Unions.

Mrs. Alberta W. Lundhagen,
Acting Treasurer.

A TIMELY WARNING

At this time, so near to the close of the year—there is not much more than a month left before the books must close on September 10th—perhaps it would not be amiss to take a look at our financial accomplishments and compare it with last year's record. We can congratulate ourselves on some items and see what yet must be done—or, to quote "Alice in Wonderland," "How fast we must run to stay in the same place" as last year and not lose any ground. Our National Temperance Education Fund needs but about \$135 to complete that pledge and make us a Gold Star state.

Now for the comparisons: Newspaper publicity, last year, \$8.37, this year so far, \$158.62.

W.C.T.U. members, last year, 1,276, this year so far, 1,004; Willard members, last year, 49, this year so far, 31; Y. T. C. members, last year, 24, this year so far, 37; L. T. L. members, last year, 312, this year so far, 252. Budget, last year, \$1,013.97, this year so far, \$783.30.

These figures indicate that considerable extra effort will have to be put forth if we are not to fall short of last year's record.

Mrs. Alberta W. Lundhagen,
Acting Treasurer.

GRAND FORKS DISTRICT CONVENTION

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successful union. "Our Responsibility to American Youth" was the topic assigned Mrs. S. O. Nelson.

The Northwood L. T. L. with Mrs. C. Schulstad, leader, gave a demonstration. "Defend the Defenders" was a subject ably discussed by Mrs. Darling. Senator Oliver Bilden discussed legislation. White Ribbon Recruits were dedicated by Mrs. Darling. Mrs. Beasley gave a reading which was very much enjoyed.

At the banquet in the evening, Mrs. Darling serving as toast-mistress, the

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

My Dear Co-Workers:

Another W.C.T.U. year will soon be a part of eternity and may the harvest show progress and encouragement! Our National director, Mrs. W. Harold Sloan, says, "These troubled days as only be lived triumphantly can individuals come into close relationship with God and, forgetting self, live out His will in our lives. It is ours to change defeat into victory by leading the way into the Kingdom of God." May we put forth our best efforts. Then we may in confidence ask God's guidance and help.

Have you used the fine literature provided by state and National headquarters? "Two Talks on the Effects of Beverage Alcohol" is a new booklet highly recommended for use above primary age. Price 30 cents a copy. Please get your reports in early and do report everything which has been done under this department.

Lovingly yours,

MRS. G. E. NORRIS,

Fargo, N. D.

JUDGE ATTACKS LEGAL LIQUOR

"Liquor destroys our homes, ruins our women, debauches our children" said the United States Judge for the Western District of North Carolina, in a recent withering attack on liquor and legalized liquor stores, as reported in the Charlotte, North Carolina News. The occasion was the trial of a South Carolina man on a non-tax liquor case.

"It just goes to show" continued the Judge, "that you can't stop bootlegging by having legalized liquor stores. There are more blockade stills in South Carolina to-day than there were during Prohibition. Liquor stores breed bootlegging. They embolden bootleggers. Some people say that they advocate legalized liquor stores because they will reduce taxes. They don't reduce taxes. They never have done that. I suppose if one of these people were to see a friend lying in a drunken stupor in a gutter he would urge him to get up so he could buy more liquor to further reduce taxes. Alcoholism is killing more people in the United States than cancer. It killed 135,000 persons in this country last year. Liquor is the scourge of mankind. It is responsible for murder, suicide, patricide and every other horrible crime. People often ask me why I am so opposed to liquor. I am opposed to liquor because I love my fellow man."

—The Union Signal.

delegates were welcomed for the church by Rev. Louis Lassenso; for the city by Mayor Adolph Christianson; for the local union by Mrs. S. H. Njaa; for the YTC by Miss Corrine Tufto and for the LTL by Mrs. Schulstad. Response was made by Mrs. H. L. Williams, Larimore. Calman Larson presented a baritone solo.

For the evening session, Rev. J. O. Ringstad led devotions. The Y. T. C. furnished music. In the Gold Medal Speech Contest, Charles Sheppard of Grand Forks was awarded the medal. The Northwood ladies chorus sang. Mrs. J. W. Scott, Gilby, spoke briefly and Mrs. Darling gave her address. A very interesting meeting came to a close with benediction by Rev. S. H. Njaa. All officers were re-elected.

DEVILS LAKE DISTRICT CONVENTION

In the Presbyterian church, Calvin, June 2nd, the Devils Lake district met in annual convention with the district president, Mrs. Wm. Lo-

PERSONAL MENTION

MRS. KATE S. WILDER, state vice president, has moved to Grand Forks. Her address is 409 South 4th Street.

MRS. WM. LOGAN, Calvin, president Devils Lake district, is reported as a Home Keeper, having secured two new members.

JAMESTOWN union rented a booth at State'sman County Fair, July 3-5 and had a Milk Stand where milk, chocolate milk, buttermilk, orangeade, and cookies or doughnuts were served. It was labelled — "Grandmother's Cookie Jar" and the young girls who helped were print aprons and sunbonnets. Literature was given out. The union cleared enough to complete their budget.

PARK RIVER planned a picnic in the Park July 10, to which any from the district were welcome. Mrs. Beasley, district president, was present and led devotions, later giving a talk on "Things that are Vital." She outlined the Defense Program, also expressed her belief that it is the duty of those hiring teachers to inquire as carefully into the moral standards of candidates as into their scholastic ability. Atty. Harold King of Park River gave an informative talk on the requirements for citizenship. Rev. G. S. Setterstrom was an interested guest. Mrs. Bessie M. Ordahl and others from Edinburg attended. The district officers held a meeting at the close.

WEDDING BELLS rang for Miss Serine Forde of Hillsboro when, on June 22, she became the bride of Mr. Samsen Lier of Rhame, N. D. The ceremony took place at the home of the bride's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Forde of Havre, Montana. After a wedding trip through Montana, Mr. and Mrs. Lier will make their home in Hillsboro. Our best wishes are extended for their happiness and prosperity.

FARGO UNION at its Flower Mission meeting used the new playlet from National Publishing House which proved very interesting. Mrs. Runnestrand sang an original song for which she had also composed the music. After the meeting, flowers were taken to the hospital.

MISS MARGARET CAMPBELL, Ryder, was honored by her townsmen when she retired after 32 years of continuous teaching in the public schools.

gan, presiding and all unions represented. A delegation from the Willard union at Cando was present and assisted in evening program. Mrs. Logan reported visits to local unions, talks in schools and many letters written. Mrs. L. M. Gossett, Clyde, favored the convention with two vocal solos which were enjoyed. There were other musical numbers.

A fine tribute to the late Senator Morris Sheppard was presented by Mrs. Maud Mater, Rock Lake. Our Responsibility to the Young People was the subject of an interesting Round Table discussion led by Mrs. Langley of Rock Lake. Mrs. Larson led devotions to open the afternoon session and Rev. C. M. Pearson, Cando, conducted a service in the evening. An interesting feature of the evening program was the prize-winning oration written by Claude Pearson jr. of Jamestown College and read by his mother, Mrs. Claude M. Pearson, Cando.

One of the highlights of the convention was the presentation by Mrs. C. T. Storlie of twelve young children who were dedicated as white

SPEAKING OF OUR FRIENDS:

To Mrs. J. N. Wallestad, Wheelock, our Speech Contest director, and her family, heartfelt sympathy is extended in the passing of the husband and father, June 16, after a lingering illness. A man of upright Christian character, Mr. Wallestad will be missed not only by his family but by the whole community which he served so faithfully. "Whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die."

With the deepest regret we record the serious illness of the Rev. James Anderson, who, with Mrs. Anderson, recently returned from Florida. Mr. Anderson is a patient in St. John's Hospital, Fargo, where, on June 26, he underwent a major operation. The love and prayers of our entire membership will attend these beloved friends in their anxiety. Later—Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are now located at 1001-9th St. So., Fargo.

The many friends of Mrs. Necia E. Buck, president Oregon W. C. T. U., will regret to learn of a serious automobile accident by which she has been confined to the Good Samaritan hospital, Portland, Oregon, since May 19. Mrs. Buck was returning from a Peace meeting in the evening and at a busy intersection in Portland was struck by a car and dragged some distance. Both legs were broken and she received several lacerations. But her brave, indomitable spirit is helping her to make a satisfactory recovery and at this writing she is able to be up in a wheel chair for a part of each day. Mrs. Buck was prominently connected with the North Dakota W. C. T. U. for many years and reluctantly did we part with her for the west, where she has shown the same outstanding qualities of leadership. For her complete recovery we shall earnestly hope and pray.

ribbon recruits by the state president, Mrs. Bessie M. Darling, the guest speaker. The church was decorated with posters made by members of the L. T. L. who also gave a good demonstration of what they learned in their worthwhile society.

Mrs. Darling was heard with much interest in her evening address on the Responsibility of the Christian Citizen, at the conclusion of which she showed three educational slide films. All officers were re-elected.

GRAND FORKS DISTRICT PICNIC AND INSTITUTE

In Riverside Park, Grand Forks, July 9, members of the Grand Forks W. C. T. U. district from Northwood, Gilby, Larimore and the two Grand Forks unions met for their annual picnic and institute with the district president, Mrs. Geo. S. Muir, Gilby, presiding. Mrs. Bessie M. Darling, state president, discussed needs which have arisen in connection with the National Defense program and the adaptation of WCTU work thereto. For the department of Work among Soldiers and Sailors, Mrs. Alf Christenson, Grand Forks, was appointed district director. Mrs. A. V. Sheppard and Mrs. O. J. Swanson, local presidents, were in charge of arrangements. A luncheon was served at noon.

Mrs. Sheppard presented the claims of The Union Signal and some subscriptions were secured. Mrs. W. D. Mitchell spoke on Child Welfare program which stresses health and alcohol education.

Mrs. Carl Aaker, Larimore, substituting for Mrs. Edmund Franklyn, outlined the work of the L. T. L. A general discussion followed the presentation of each subject. A happy crowd enjoyed the fine program. The offering was applied on making the district a Light Line District again.

FARGO DISTRICT CONVENTION

In the Christian church, Fargo, May 19, the 50th annual convention of this district was held. Mrs. Jessie A. Potter, president, presiding. The minister and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Poll, were gracious and helpful throughout the day. The opening worship service was led by Mrs. Iver Fossum, president Fargo Scandinavian union. Reports and other business filled the morning hours. A beautiful memorial service was conducted by Mrs. A. W. Heidinger of the Fargo union, during which Mrs. Darling placed flowers in memory of the late Senator Morris Sheppard, and others promoted during the year.

After lunch, Mrs. Poll led devotions to open the afternoon session. Mrs. Bessie M. Darling, state president, as guest speaker, was heard with much interest in her different talks and in her special evening address on "The Responsibility of the Christian Citizen." Special music included a solo by Mrs. H. P. Roberts, Fargo, a duet by Prosper ladies and two young ladies from the Christian church sang in the evening.

At the evening session, Rev. Mr. Poll led helpful devotions. A playlet—"Daughters to the Rescue" was cleverly put on by members of the Fargo union—Mmes. W. J. Hutcheson, H. M. Robinson, Geo. White, Elmer Russell, F. W. Pile and Miss Jessie Hill.

Members of the Prosper union—true to their name—contributed much to the success of the convention. All officers were re-elected. The meeting closed with the benediction by the Rev. A. W. Heidinger, State Superintendent Calvary Evangelical church.

A TRUE STORY

A man under the influence of liquor went to a photographer to have his picture taken. Though aware of the man's condition, the photographer did as he was requested. Weeks afterwards, when the man did not call for the pictures, the photographer reminded him that he owed him \$5.00. This the man disputed but called and admitted the pictures looked enough like him so he could identify them but asked the photographer to burn them, saying if that was what he looked like, he would never taste another drop. And we believe he did not. "Oh, wad some power the giftie gie us—to see ourselves as ithers see us."

"Americans for America" is the slogan that needs to be sounded now. The greatness of a nation is not in mere acreage of territory or in the strength of its battleships but in the strength of its loyalty, in the purity of its ideals, in the intensity of its devotion to those principles which make for justice and liberty throughout the world. In vain do we build airplanes, fortify our coasts and man our guns, if we do not bring into every rampart and turret the standards of character and citizenship that make the men behind the guns. America is for Americans. Now let the Americans be for America."—Joseph W. Folk, former Governor of Missouri.

"Speaking of enemies—don't have them. Don't fight. Don't get even. Ignore. Life is too short for grudges and vengeance. Go on. Let the other fellow stew. You keep sweet. If a man doesn't like you, keep away from him. It's a large, roomy world. And thank God, there is always another side of the street."—The Parish Visitor, Beulah, N. D.

"Let us have faith that right makes might and in that faith let us dare to do our duty."—Lincoln

NORTHEAST DISTRICT CONVENTION

The fifty-second annual convention of the Northeast district was held in the Methodist church, Bowsmont, June 5, the district president, Mrs. Frank Beasley, presiding. Mrs. Bessie M. Darling, state president, was guest speaker. Delegates were present from Pembina, Drayton, Grafton and Bowsmont. Others were detained by rain and bad roads. Mrs. J. F. McKay was appointed secretary pro tem. The opening devotions were by Mrs. J. G. Moore and Mrs. Newell Patterson led the flag salute. Reports from local unions were encouraging. In the Rainbow Questionnaire, Bowsmont won the banner. A memorial service for the promoted comrades was conducted by Mrs. Barbara H. Wylie who placed a bouquet of white flowers in their memory. To close the service, Mrs. A. T. Everson sang "No Night There."

A noon luncheon was served by the hostess union in the church dining room.

Opening the afternoon session Mrs. J. M. Shingler played an organ number. Rev. J. D. Cawthorne conducted a worship service. In a symposium—OUR DEFENSE PROGRAM—Mrs. Bessie M. Ordahl, Edinburg, presented the work of the L. T. L. and Y. T. C. and Miss Mae Halcrow spoke on the work in Sunday schools. Under the heading: "Our Ammunition," Mrs. Wylie spoke of our Papers, Literature and Books; Mrs. Darling on Visual Education, through Motion Pictures, Charts and Posters. A playlet—"How Much is Moderate?" was conducted by Miss Mae Halcrow with Nancy Stellan, Jimmy McKay and LeRoy Long taking part. Mrs. J. D. Cawthorne sang "The Rose of Sharon."

A paper—"What the Ads. Do Not Tell" prepared by Mrs. Frank Quigley of the Pembina union was read by Mrs. Emily Booker. "What Makes a Successful Union" was discussed by Mrs. A. M. Herbison, Grafton. "The Responsibility of the Christian Citizen" was the subject of a strong and impressive address by Mrs. Darling. Obeying Paul's injunction to "Help those women," two men were in attendance during the day—Rev. J. D. Cawthorne and Mr. John Halcrow. All officers were re-elected. Tea was served on adjournment.

KEEPING UP WITH NORTH DAKOTA

Prosper Union, in North Dakota, has an officer called a "librarian," who keeps a file of WCTU leaflets and pamphlets, to which people may refer for information.

Such a file might be a scrapbook, or several large envelopes (one for each subject or department); or it might be in some other form. It might be in two main sections,—one for material interesting to WCTU members only (such as Plans of Work, department manuals, etc.),—and the other containing material to be used by both WCTU members and outsiders (such as the pamphlets named in "ARL").

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Our state might keep up with North Dakota in the use of WCTU literature if every union had a librarian as well as a director of literature.—Miss Mary Pressly, National Director Literature.

NEW ROCKFORD DISTRICT CONVENTION

For the 47th annual convention, this district met at New Rockford June 17. Mrs. Grace Graham, district president, presided and Mrs. Kate S. Wilder was introduced as guest speaker. Mrs. C. W. Baumann led the opening devotions. District officers and local union presidents reported. Election of officers resulted as follows: Mrs. Graham declining re-election, Mrs. C. W. Baumann, New Rockford was elected president; Mrs. Anna Hudson, vice president; Mrs. Geo. Schaffner, Oberon, secretary and Mrs. Milo Matthews, Oberon, treasurer. A solo by Miss Agnes Swanson was enjoyed.

Speaking of "Seeing is Believing," Mrs. C. F. Plummer, Minnewaukan, showed the complete failure of repeal as compared with the benefits of prohibition and expressed the hope that prohibition will return. Rev. C. W. Baumann spoke on "Our Responsibility to American Youth," stating we are living in a crazy world and blaming youth for its lawlessness while the older generation is to blame. Our responsibility is two-fold—to provide a safe world for youth to live in and set a better example before them. A number of posters were used to illustrate. These had been secured from the "National Voice" and "The Union Signal" which papers, the speaker said, should be in every home.

Mrs. Swanson gave a clever demonstration of how to teach the harmful effects of alcohol and tobacco through the use of graphs which appeal to both eye and ear, making lessons doubly effective.

"What the Liquor Ads. Do Not Tell," was discussed by Miss Anna Kruse who pointed out the devices of the brewers in making their products appeal to the young as so desirable; while they do not tell the poverty and wretchedness behind the liquor habit; the broken homes, neglected children, and destruction of character. Better home training was pointed out as a remedy; also alcohol education in schools. A playlet by Mmes. Bolinski, Neilson and Walter Nelson of the Oberon union brought out the merits of the Union Signal and advocated its use. The essentials of a Successful Union were declared by Mrs. Wilder to be: A firm belief in the W. C. T. U. as an organization for service to God and man; intelligent information through reading The Union Signal and other temperance literature; friendly cooperation among members; building up membership by enlisting younger women; sending president or delegate to state and national conventions; having prepared programs; taking an interest in the needs of one's community; paying dues and budget before helping other organizations; keeping up on legislation; reporting to district and state officers and directors; knowing what our enemies are doing as well as our friends.

Mrs. Matthews, in charge of the memorial service, placed flowers in memory of Senator Morris Sheppard and others of our faithful members who have passed on before. To close the service Sylvia Matthews sang "One Sweetly Solemn Thought."

For the evening session the Methodist choir sang several numbers. Mrs. Swanson had charge of devotions, using as her text James IV:1-10. Miss Agnes Swanson sang a solo. Three film slides were shown by Mrs. Wilder who recommended their educational use in schools. Speaking on the topic: "Defend Our Defenders," Mrs. Wilder emphatically declared that National Defense required prohibition of the liquor traffic; every man and woman who is helping to make America a safer place in which

to live is a defender; this country cannot last if it has only the army and navy to defend it. The liquor dealers are our enemies. If we are a sober nation, America is strong enough to defend itself. If we continue in drunkenness, we may find ourselves in the same position as France. The report of the Resolutions committee was accepted, the invitation of Oberon for the next convention accepted and the meeting closed with the state motto.

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