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"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH"

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## THANKSGIVING

Suddenly over the border  
That shelters night from day  
The sun had dropped, and as quietly  
Sped on its ceaseless way.  
But in the west there lingered  
In dappled hues and fair,  
A twilight which awakened  
The watcher's heart to prayer.

God, for beauties shown me,  
The mauve, the crimson and gray,  
That herald the advent of evening  
And tell of departing day;  
For clouds tinged with gold and silver,  
For heaven's lanterns fair,  
For all of earth and its wonders,  
I offer this, my prayer.

I thank thee for friends that are loyal,  
For dear ones, for love that is true;  
For home and the comfort it brings me  
When day and my labors are  
through;  
For victory over the tempter,  
For strength of my body of clay,  
For peace in our land of freedom,  
And hope—for the coming day.  
—Chicago Tribune.

## THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Co-workers:  
The 52nd annual convention of North Dakota Woman's Christian Temperance Union is now history. It was a fine convention and a joy to meet again with co-workers from the four corners of our state. In spite of heavy rains and muddy roads there was a good attendance.

We missed the presence of our honorary president Elizabeth Preston Anderson and our past corresponding secretary, Mrs. Barbara H. Wylie. It was the first convention in thirty-five years that the latter had missed. It was with deepest regret that at her own request she was not re-appointed editor of the White Ribbon Bulletin. Words can not express appreciation of the services she has rendered, and her wise counsel will be greatly missed. Her loyalty, steadfastness and personal consecration have won untold friends for our cause, and the undying love of all co-workers. May the much needed rest completely restore her to health and strength.

We welcome our new editor, Mrs. Frank Beasley who needs no introduction, for we all know her and love her and she has proven her worth as our state recording secretary. Let us cooperate with her in every way to keep up the standard of our paper. Please get your letters and material to her at an earlier date for she is on a rural route and far removed from the publisher's office.

We welcome to our State Official family, Mrs. Iver Fossum, the new state treasurer whose home is in Fargo. For a number of years she has ably served as president of Fargo Scandinavian Union, one of the largest unions in the state. She is well



MRS. IVER FOSSUM  
Our New Treasurer

qualified for this work as she has had considerable office experience in the Florence Crittenton Home. I trust that you will extend to her the kind consideration and cooperation that you have always shown your former treasurers. Welcome, Mrs. Fossum—thrice welcome.

We sincerely regret the removal of Mrs. Lulu Zimmerman and Mrs. J. N. Wallestad from our state. They have rendered valuable service to organization and their places will be hard to fill. We wish them God speed and may they soon find a place of service for God and Home and Every Land, in their new homes.

Mrs. S. N. Engelstad, the faithful president of Hettinger district, has moved to LaMoure where her husband Rev. S. N. Engelstad is serving a new charge. She will be a welcome addition to Ransom-LaMoure district and we trust she will soon be in the work again.

Mrs. O. E. Combellick who so ably served the Ellendale district last year and part of this, has resigned to again take up her duties as a teacher. In her we will always have a tried and true friend and we will look forward to the day when she will be at liberty to have an active part in our work.

To all acting district presidents and new state directors and associate secretaries of LTL, we extend a warm welcome.

The two most outstanding achievements of the past year were the finishing of the NTEF, thus winning the Gold Star for our state, and more than fulfilling our pledge of 229 subscriptions to the Union Signal. Frances Willard was right, "There are no women like the White Ribboners." With your sacrificial work and gifts, you made this possible as you have made possible many other projects. It was with much pride and joy that I accepted in your behalf that "Gold Star" from Mrs. Margaret Munns, our

National treasurer, at the Grand Rapids convention. Again we have served the Honor of North Dakota—Well done, good and faithful servants. I sincerely appreciate the fine cooperation you have given me in this effort to finish this quota that we had pledged; and now that it is done let us turn our attention to the problems in our own state.

I was so happy to learn we had completed our quota of one subscription to the Union Signal for every six members. Much credit for this achievement goes to Mrs. A. V. Sheppard our state Union Signal promoter; our hats off to her.

There was so much at the state convention to make us happy; the fine attendance, the splendid reports, the interesting and informative speeches, the splendid music, the good fellowship and the that warm Minot hospitality that surely we are enthused and encouraged for the work ahead.

When this reaches you, you will be in possession of "The Second-Mile" project plan. It is hoped that every union will enter into this plan with enthusiasm so that we can wipe out completely the deficit of the year just ended. An organization as worthy and as needed as the Woman's Christian Temperance Union should be put on a sound financial base. God has richly blessed our state this year and now at the harvest time, let us show our appreciation by supporting the work He would have us do. Let each union send at least three dollars that this project can be completed one hundred per cent. This requires immediate action, please. Thank you.

The all-important work ahead will be the observance of the November Roll Call. Let every union plan a dues-paying meeting for the month and form a habit of paying dues in November. Strive to double the number of Hold Fast unions this year.

How many of our members are readers of "The Woman's Home Companion?" Did you read the Brewer's advertisement on page 77 of the October issue? If so, I hope you have written your letter of protest.

I hope that every union will study the president's recommendations and put the plans to work in your own communities. They were accepted by the convention therefore are the working plans for the coming year.

Now as we stand at the threshold of the new year, let us solemnly resolve to go forth with courage high, an abiding faith in Our Heavenly Father and His Divine Power and with a grim determination to make this the best year in the history of our organization. "Comfort the poor, protect and shelter the weak and with all thy might, right that which is wrong" were the last words of Alfred the Great and they are just as applicable today.

Yours in loving service,  
BESSIE M. DARLING.

## DIGGING TRENCHES

Little sturdy boyish hands,  
Digging trenches in the sands;  
Childish laughter, sweet and gay,  
Lilting through a summer day.

Little hands of yesteryear  
Big and strong, but still so dear—  
Never let them dig, O God,  
Trenches in a war-torn sod!

—Nancy Richey Ranson.

**HIGHLIGHTS 67th ANNUAL CONVENTION NATIONAL W. C. T. U. GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN August 28 to September 4, 1941**

## "THE WORLD IS DISTRESSED"

Wars are raging and others seem imminent; evils wax bold and defiant; the world is distressed and troubled.

The sixty-seventh annual convention call to officers, delegates, and members of the far-flung Woman's Christian Temperance Union thus set the background for the Aug. 28 to Sept. 4 gathering of 2,000 White Ribboners in Grand Rapids, Mich.

"No convention in our 67 years has faced a more serious world and national situation," Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, president, wrote in the Call. "The world war and the liquor traffic present problems which have national-wide effects.

"We must realize that the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is a body representing a great moral force in this nation and that we now face serious problems."

So, the White Ribboners met in council in the Michigan city to seek Divine guidance in determining what part the organization should take in contributing to the solution of these problems.

## LIQUOR: BOSS SABOTEUR

In her eighth annual address, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, president, touched on most of the widespread activities of the 500,000 members and 10,000 local unions of the organization. Her theme was the "Common Defense" clause of the Preamble to the Constitution.

"Liquor is the boss saboteur of our common defense," she concluded, "the most far-reaching in its effects and the most dangerous in its results—for no other subversive factor touches as many phases of governmental, economic, social and personal life."

The liquor traffic was charged with subversion on 10 points:

"1. Physical and moral debasement of our youth, especially the trade's callous and defiant invasion of training camps with its purpose boldly stated as 'to cultivate a taste for beer in millions of young men who will eventually constitute the largest beer-consuming section of our population.'"

"2. The trade's relentless despoiling of the nation's manpower as result of which there are hundreds of thou- (Continued on page four)

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### CONVENTION HONORS

**FRUITFUL UNIONS—**  
Calvin, Rocklake, Sawyer, Fortuna, Hettinger, Flasher, Jamestown, Ellendale, Northwood, Bowsmont and Nekoma.  
**HOLDFAST UNIONS—**  
Calvin, Rocklake, Minnewaukan, Oberon, Sawyer, Stady-Zahl, Hettinger, Bismarck, Flasher, Edgeley, West Fairview, Ellendale, Prosper, Gilby, Bowsmont, Hannah, Nekoma, Park River, Dickey.  
**BANNER UNIONS—**  
Calvin, Rocklake, Oberon, Parshall, Makoti, Minot, Sawyer, Crosby, Fortuna, Stanley, Bismarck, Jamestown, Valley City, Edgeley, Hettinger, Prosper, Gilby, Grand Forks Scandinavian, Grand Forks, Larimore, Northwood, Park River, Grafton, Flasher, Fargo, Fargo Scandinavian.

### GOLD STAR UNIONS—

Calvin, Rocklake, Minnewaukan, New Rockford, Oberon, Bottineau, Benedict, Parshall, Underwood, Crosby, Epping, Ray, Stanley, Reeder, Bismarck, Steele, Cooperstown, Jamestown, Dickey, Edgeley, Sheldon, Hatton, Hillsboro, Prosper, Sharon, Gilby, Grand Forks Scandinavian, Larimore, Northwood, Drayton, Edinburg, Fairdale, Hannah, Nekoma, Flasher, Wyndmere, Grand Forks, Fargo, Fargo Scandinavian.

### THE PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

As our plan of work, I recommend:

#### 1. SPIRITUAL LIFE—

That greater emphasis be put upon the spiritual values in every relation—personal, family, social and political. All these need emphasis. "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and all these things will be added unto you."

In this changing world we find comfort, strength and courage in the unchanging love of God. The nine o'clock circle of prayer of our dear shut-ins has grown to be a source of great strength. We urge the observance of the noon-tide hour and temperance evangelistic meetings, making the work of the Evangelistic Department the basis of all other work. Personal declaration for total abstinence is sorely needed and we urge all unions to stress pledge signing among Christian adults, youth and children.

#### 2. ALCOHOL EDUCATION—

(1) Continue to employ a trained alcohol education teacher to serve from two to four weeks in our Teachers' Colleges during the summer session, until the school is ready to add such a teacher to their regular faculty.

(2) Every adult should know "What alcohol is and what it does," therefore it is recommended that a definite program of education be determined for churches and other interested groups.

(3) We urge the use of motion pictures, film strips, posters and exhibits as a means of promoting alcohol education in grades, Junior and Senior high schools, Sunday schools and Daily Vacation Bible schools.

#### 3. NOVEMBER ROLL CALL—

That every union observe the roll call during the month of November. The treasurer should call for volunteers to assist in calling on all members, but each union work out its own plan for collection of dues. The theme for November meeting should be "Stewardship." Systematic observance of Roll Call will result in more Holdfast unions.

#### 4. MEMBERSHIP—

Since in numbers there is strength and since many churches have recommended their membership to join the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, strive to reach a definite goal in membership this year. A net gain should be the aim of every union.

#### 5. DEPARTMENTS—

Our department work is of vital importance and each union should work at least three. Study the plans outlined by state director and apply it to local needs.

#### 6. LITERATURE AND PUBLICATIONS—

In our National Publishing House and at State Headquarters we find quantities of literature, booklets and publications that are of great value to individual members for their own information and to local unions in preparation of programs. Its use is earnestly recommended.

#### 7. UNION SIGNAL AND YOUNG CRUSADER—

(1) Every organization should support its own official organ. The educational numbers of the Union Signal have proved their worth when a Department of the United States Government orders 5000 copies of one of

these numbers. Keep our subscriptions to the Union Signal up to one sixth of our membership.

(2) Place the Young Crusader in the hands of teachers as well as youth.

#### 8. INSTITUTES—

Each union hold an institute early in the year with District or State officer in charge. This gives greater knowledge of the work and official execution of it. No better method can be used to promote leadership.

#### 9. ORGANIZATION—

Increase organizations in each district with the establishment of at least one new union, one YTC and one Home Legion. It is planned to employ a National organizer for field work in the state.

#### 10. FINANCES—

(1) Budget—The budget plan has been in operation in our state for a long time and has made possible many outstanding projects of our work. We urge that a greater responsibility be assumed by ALL unions in raising an amount based on a dollar per member additional to dollar dues and that this sum be sent to state treasurer early in the year so that state work need not be curtailed.

(2) Life and Memorial Memberships—More emphasis be put on Life and Memorial Memberships (\$10.00). Full amount sent to state treasurer to be divided as follows: To local union \$2.50, To State \$7.50. That each union strive to secure at least one such membership during the year.

#### 11. EVENING MEETINGS—

Follow National plans for evening meetings, thereby familiarizing men as well as women with the real purposes and activities of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

#### 12. COOPERATION—

(1) Co-operate with other organizations interested in civic problems instead of attempting to do the work alone. In this way co-ordination of service of all community groups could be secured for legislative, law enforcing and character building programs. Such campaigns should finance themselves.

(2) Co-operate with National's recommendations in the defense program and we especially urge participation in Red Cross Work, and home nursing. Support welfare agencies, co-operate with civilian defense councils and with U. S. C. and offer such volunteer service as can be accepted. Continue to support S.860.

### LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

"Who wouldn't want to give pleasure to a child? Help develop his character? Teach facts about alcohol?" All of these things come in LTL teaching.

Learning to choose is a new lesson course about Sobriety and Good Citizenship for use in LTL's (price 25 cents). This booklet was prepared by Miss Lenadell Wiggins and is very good.

At the State Convention held recently in Minot it seemed that there was more than usual interest in the LTL work and as a result we are counting on more L. T. L. work through the coming year. The State Director hopes to hear from both old and new Legions in the near future.

We feel that we should work for total abstinence NOW in the lives of the children. Soon our children will be the men and women and have the national defense upon their shoulders. We believe that— True Defense is Total Abstinence.

Let us all work together for the child in our midst.

Yours for all our children,  
MRS. J. W. FRISBIE,  
Secretary.

### CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S CORNER

To the Department Directors:

At the convention at Minot I attempted to contact all the Department Directors who were present and requested them to select two leaflets which they wanted to send to the local unions with the Plan of Work for 1942 for their department. May I ask those who have not done this, to do so as soon as possible and let me know their choice? The Plans of Work are almost all ready now.

When sending me the above information will you also let me know (if you have not already done so in answer to my card how much you will require of letter heads and envelopes for this year?)

ALBERTA W. LUNDHAGEN.

### A MESSAGE TO THE LOCAL UNION

Dear Friends:  
Greetings to you from the National Treasurer.

For the past six years the National WCTU has recommended a Roll Call in November at the beginning of the WCTU year.

If every union in the country has earnestly carried out this plan from year to year, the vast majority of our membership will have anticipated this call and will be ready with their dues at the specified time.

The more than 25,000 new members enrolled this year just closing will be glad to fall in with the plan and, this first year of their membership, pay their dues for the coming year in November. After this there will be a full year between payments of dues.

The members who have belonged for years will set the good example and demonstrate their regard for the organization. Will every member of the union help to make its membership 100 per cent paid up in November? This would guarantee you a Hold Fast union, which means that every resident member of last year has paid dues and the money has been forwarded to reach the state treasurer March 1, a Hold Fast certificate will be sent you through your state treasurer.

Why not set aside one cent a day for the past year now, and then start actually putting in a receiptable one cent each day for the coming year. This will pay your dues of one dollar, provide one dollar for your budget, one dollar for a subscription to The Union Signal and will leave you sixty-five cents for offerings at the union. Consecrate to the temperance work some of the money which belongs to the Lord and for which you are stewards. It is greatly needed to carry on for "God and Home and Every Land."

When J. Edgar Hoover's Federal Bureau of Investigation shows that 35.4 per cent more women were arrested for drunkenness this year than the same period last year, (an increase of more than one-third) it behooves the WCTU to increase its membership "lengthen its cords and strengthen its stakes" that women of our land do not fall victims to the alcohol habit.

Let us not lose one member this year when there are so many diversions and other activities for women for no other organization makes temperance work its major endeavor as does the WCTU.

May God's blessing rest upon you and make your unions a real power for good in your community.

Cordially yours,

MARGARET C. MUNNEN.

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



## TREASURER'S REPORT

September 15 to October 15, 1941

STATE DUES—Makoti 10; Jamestown 4; Wild Rose 7; Minot 6; Fortuna 14; McKenzie 7; Bismarck 7; Fargo 8; New Rockford 7; Grand Forks 7.

WILLARD MEMBERS—8.  
L. T. L. DUES—Flasher 2.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS—By Mrs. Bessie M. Darling in favor of Mrs. O. J. Swanson \$15.00; Gilby Union in favor of Mrs. W. G. Dickson, \$10.00.

MEMORIAL MEMBERSHIP—Mrs. Wm. Kadell, Edgeley Union.

BUDGET PAID IN PART—Williston. BUDGET PAID IN FULL—Makoti, Fortuna, Bantry.

DISTRICT PLEDGE—Minot \$5.00.

STATE CONVENTION COLLECTIONS—\$39.15.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO FIELD WORKERS—Edinburg Luther League \$2.00.

LITERATURE—\$5.25  
STATE REPORT SOLD—1.  
MISCELLANEOUS—\$2.82.

SECOND MILE CONTRIBUTION—\$2.00.

To meet the obligations for the year it was necessary to draw from our savings account to the amount of \$170.00. Your general officers are concerned that this amount be replaced in the savings during this coming year, and a fund to be known as the "Second Mile" contributions was started. We have already received a contribution for this fund and we hope each Union will find it possible to make a similar contribution during the year.

As your new treasurer I also want to take this means of asking that you will bear with me if errors should occur, and trust I shall soon become familiar with the work and that we shall find a large circle of friends throughout the state as we work together.

MRS. IVER FOSSUM,  
State Treasurer.

P. O. Box 1366.

## SUGGESTIONS FOR INSTITUTE PROGRAMS

For the coming year the motto of this Department is found in Psalm 33, verse 12: "Blessed is the Nation whose God is the Lord." This department in all its programs should try to emphasize the necessity of defending America, not only from foes without; but from the deadly foes of alcohol, gambling and commercialized vice within its borders.

An assembly in order to be reported as an institute must have at least two sessions of at least two hours each and must present at least 3 of the departments of work and some METHODS for carrying forward the W. C. T. U. work. The local union president should preside.

Meeting should begin at 10:00 a. m. with a devotional period. This year I have suggested the reading of Psalm 37 to be followed by prayer. Singing from the National W. C. T. U. Song Book ("Voice of Song") "Our Native Land," page 10 to be followed by the Salute to the Flag and the reading of The American's Creed, in union.

The appointment of committees to secure new members, subscriptions to the Union Signal and Young Crusader, to sell and to distribute literature, etc., should then be next in order.

A Symposium on the morning program may be called, "What I would do if . . ." and some one tell what she would do if president, another vice president and so on through all the general officers.

Another feature might be "What the Departments can do to Help to Defend America's Defenders," the Departments of Soldiers and Sailors, Christian Citizenship; International Relations for Peace; Evangelistic and

## OUR GRATITUDE SHOULD LIFT

By Grace Noll Crowell

While these remain our gratitude should lift

Like warm sweet vapour after summer rain;

The still unconquered land, the price-less gift

Of seed and sun, and the fulfilling grain,

And the little homes that dot the countryside

Like jewels strung along each road and lane.

While there remains the faith to plant again;

While there is hope and courage for the day,

And woman's love to cheer the heart of man;

His love for her, their wish and need to pray,

Lord, we should turn to Thee, and kneel as one.

There is so much to thank Thee for today!

Scientific Temperance Instruction, are suggested as suitable for the future.

What is an Iota Sigma W. C. T. U. may be explained and a discussion on how to win members for each branch of W. C. T. U. work would be profitable.

Noontide Prayer, followed by luncheon. While at the tables have some one tell of the many accomplishments of the North Dakota W. C. T. U.

Begin the afternoon session prompt at 2:00 o'clock with devotionals. Read the Crusade Psalm 146, found on page 2 of the Voice of Song, responsively. Follow this with short prayers from the audience and sing, "This Is My Father's World," page 5 and "Christ For The World We Sing," page 11.

Have short talks on the value of the Union Signal, Young Crusader, White Ribbon Bulletin and W. C. T. U. Literature.

An address on the "History and Significance of the American Flag" would be a fine feature and should be followed by a talk on North Dakota's flag and North Dakota's contribution to the nation at the time our state was admitted to the Union. Look up facts in public libraries, or possibly in your high school library, if you have no public library.

Dedicate babies under school age as White Ribbon Recruits. There is a fine short service for this purpose that you may secure from our State Headquarters. Send there for other program material, also.

Have a question box; there are many things our members may want to know and may be hesitant about speaking about; but might write out and drop in a hat or box. Call it "I Want To Know."

If you have time either in the afternoon or evening do have a group of young people put on a playlet. A good one for this time is called "I's Your Country." It takes 8 people, costs 5 cents a copy or 25 cents for twelve.

For the formal address of the afternoon or evening I suggest you use as a title "Righteousness Exalteth A Nation."

Don't forget to ask for new members and don't forget to take up an offering both afternoon and evening. Have on hand pledge cards and literature; posters on the walls will add interest.

Pray for the success of your institute and please do not forget to write to me, if I can be of use to you and be very sure to report your institute to me. May it be worth your while to have had an institute.

MRS. KATE S. WILDER,  
State Director, 409½ 4th  
St. So., Grand Forks,  
North Dakota.

## UNION SIGNAL DEPT.

Dear White Ribboners:

"IN THE LAND OF BEGINNING AGAIN," that's where we are now, beginning another fiscal year. "Where skies are always blue" so goes the second line of this familiar song. This is true even these days when darkness seems to fall about us. The important defense duty has been given you and me to keep the Signal light burning. In our state may we continue to constantly emphasize the inspiration and strength The Union Signal supplies.

"MARCHING ALONG TOGETHER" in the new year, let us keep The Young Crusader and The Union Signal together in our promotion work. In every home, practically, everyone has a child, relative or friend who should have The Young Crusader. Boys and girls are interested in its stories, poems, pictures and L. T. L. programs. Teachers and other leaders of children appreciate its help. A local union or individual sponsoring even the club-of-ten Young Crusader subscriptions is making a substantial investment in the future of our nation.

You have all been so fine this past year, boosting the circulation department, adding new subscriptions to our list, and what I consider most important of all, faithfully renewed your own paper upon expiration. We are thankful that our goal was reached, and now please accept my sincere appreciation for all you have done for the circulation department.

Now I am counting on you for another year,

"To look up and not down;  
To look forward and not back;  
To look out and not in, and  
To lend a hand."

Gratefully and cordially yours,  
BELLE SHEPPARD,  
Union Signal Promoter.

## IN MEMORIAM

"Like a ship that's left its mooring  
And sails slowly out to sea,  
So some one dear has sailed away in  
calm serenity.

But there's a promise of a greater  
joy  
Than earth could have in store,  
For God hath planned a richer life  
Beyond the unseen shore."

Mrs. A. E. S. Mott, veteran member of Grafton union was a charter member of the N. D. W. C. T. U. and first woman instructor at the University of North Dakota. Her long life was rich in experience and helpfulness.

Fargo union is bereaved in the passing of two long time members: Mrs. Martha C. Pollock, widow of the late Judge Chas. A. Pollock, who was known as the father of North Dakota's prohibition law. She kept up her W. C. T. U. membership, although advancing age and ill health prevented active work. Mrs. Clark W. Haggart, also a faithful member of many years standing, will be missed from their meetings.

Mrs. Emil Lang of Sterling, who was a member of McKenzie union, was called home a few months ago.

Mrs. R. A. Dildine of Ellendale, has been called upon to part with her mother, who had been ill for several years.

Mrs. Louis McPherson of Park River, Life Member of the N. D. W. C. T. U., is bereaved by the home-going of her husband on October 16, after a long illness.

To the relatives of all these, we extend the deepest sympathy.

## JUST BETWEEN OURSELVES

Dear Friends:

This is a new venture for me, and I fear you will find the paper sadly lacking now, in many ways. I will do the best I can with it, but someone must be found who can give it the time and attention it deserves. I thank you for the cooperation you have shown already; keep the news notes coming right along. There is inspiration in learning of what others are doing.

Yours in His Service,  
ELIZABETH C. BEASLEY.

## NOTES FROM THE UNIONS

SEPTEMBER 9th the Fargo Scandinavian union, paid special honors to their Charter members. The union was organized July 14, 1898, with 23 charter members, of whom nine are still living. Six were present and gave brief talks at the meeting, each receiving a beautiful red rose, presented by Mrs. Erdahl. They were Mrs. O. S. Hadeland, who gave a short history of the union; paying tribute to the first officers and their faithfulness. She mentioned particularly Mrs. Julia D. Nelson, president for many years, who gave herself untiringly as long as she was physically able. The other charter members present were Mrs. Chris Sydness, Mrs. Anna Fosberg; Mrs. Haugan, Mrs. Flamer and Mrs. Stalheim. Mrs. Nellie Hicks, daughter of Mrs. Julia D. Nelson, also spoke and told interesting events of the early meetings, mentioning her mother's supposition that she would have to serve as president for only a few meetings. Her term of office lasted 39 years.

GRAFTON HELD a most inspiring meeting Sept 18, at the home of the president, Mrs. A. M. Herbison. Mrs. Bessie M. Darling, state president, gave a report of the National convention, dedicated four White Ribbon Recruits and read the service for the reception of four new members. Three-year-old Jessie Carlson sang "Jesus Loves Me" at the close of the new recruit service. Gifts were presented to several of the older members of the union who were among the thirty or more present, and to Mrs. Darling. Mrs. A. E. Place, writer of the new member service, also received a gift. The Grafton union recently conducted a profitable rummage sale, and is planning many activities for the coming year.

MRS. KATE S. WILDER, National Director of Institutes, and Mrs. Elizabeth Wilder Holand, Assistant State Secretary of Y. T. C., were guests of Larimore W. C. T. U. Oct. 1, at the home of Mrs. Aaker. Mrs. Wilder gave a report of the recent National convention at Grand Rapids, Mich., and Mrs. Holand talked on the value of the Youth's Temperance Council. Mrs. C. E. Soderholm and Mrs. Grace Franklyn sang a sacred duet, accompanied by Mrs. Martin Johnston. Refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. Aaker.

Mrs. Nellie M. Cross of Park River, State Director of Publicity gave a report of the state convention at Minot to members of the Grafton union at the home of Mrs. Kieley Oct. 16. Mrs. Annie F. Catherwood and Mrs. Irvine accompanied Mrs. Cross to Grafton and attended the meeting, at which tribute was paid to the memory of Mrs. A. E. S. Mott by Mrs. Percy Carlson, who led the devotional service.

The liquor interests take \$8.50 from the people for every \$1.00 they pay the Government in taxes.

Three out of every ten drinkers become addicts.

## JUDGE GRIMSON'S OPINION

We are indebted to Judge G. Grimson of Rugby, Judge of the District Court, for the opinion he gave in a Bottineau county case when a man was tried for sale of intoxicating liquor to a minor. Though the evidence showed that the actual sale was made by his clerk during his absence, Judge Grimson held the liquor dealer responsible. Referring to a number of court decisions upholding this exception to the general principle that a master is not held for a criminal act of his servant, Judge Grimson said in part: "It was undoubtedly the intent of the people in passing this act (The North Dakota Liquor Control Act) to place the responsibility for the conduct of the business authorized by the Act upon those who qualified under it for a license, and to hold them to the prohibitions contained in the Act. . . . The Act squarely prohibits him from retailing alcoholic beverages to a minor in his establishment. . . . He is given a license on the condition that no retailing of liquor to minors shall take place. That is made his duty and responsibility within his place of business, and must be carried out both by himself and by those to whom he delegates the retailing. The Court is convinced. . . . the licensee is liable for the act of his servant or clerk in violation of the statute. The law indicates that. Common sense approves it. Otherwise there would be no control of liquor. The court therefore finds the defendant guilty as charged in the information."

It is to be hoped that other state's attorneys will follow the example of Attorney John B. Hart of Rolette county, and send copies of the opinion to liquor dealers within the territory. We are thankful for the action of these men, but that it is needed only proves what our women knew in advance—that North Dakota's liquor laws entirely fail to "control" the sale and the effects of beverage alcohol.

### CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

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sands of citizens who are alcoholics, multitudes unable to secure hospitalization because institutions for care of mental cases are overcrowded with alcoholic patients, with millions of others in danger of becoming alcoholics.

"3. Vicious and constant invasion of 30,000,000 American homes through direct radio advertising; and fatally handicapping the futures of millions of children in homes impoverished and degraded by drink.

"4. Perversion of public charities and the silencing of officials and sometimes educators as well as through insidious allotment of liquor revenue to school and welfare funds.

"5. Diversion from legitimate business of a gross of more than six billion dollars annually expended by people and government for alcoholic beverages and the mounting cost of liquor-bred crime, accidents, disease, and destitution.

"6. Never-ending lawlessness, defiance of restrictions, and its notorious alliance with crime, gambling, prostitution and vice of every sort.

"7. Nullifying the constructive and uplifting influences of the church and of all cultural movements; and the continued operation of more than 400,000 retail liquor-sales centers in every section of the country.

"8. Nation-wide depreciation of real estate values, the serious lowering of living conditions, and the continuous damage to business and residential property, wherever liquor gains a foothold.

"9. A deliberate program of suppression and misrepresentation of scientific and social findings as to the personal, economic and political men-

ace of alcohol.

"10. By its sinister attempt to stifle free speech on the liquor problem in the American press through lavish expenditures for advertising.

### THE NATION'S DEFENSE

As it is in the minds of most Americans today, problems related to the nation's defense were uppermost in the minds of White Ribbon wearers convening in Grand Rapids, Mich.

After hearing these problems set forth by able speakers, and discussing them, the convention declared: ". . . at a time of unprecedented world conflict, (we) reverently and humbly express our gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the blessings of Christian civilization which thus far we have not been permitted to enjoy.

"We should not forget that the founders of this Republic acknowledged the sovereignty of Almighty God and sought to establish a nation, where freedom and justice and, above all, righteousness should prevail.

"We dedicate ourselves to the defense of our nation in order to preserve for ourselves and the world those ideals of government upon which our nation was founded.

"We call upon our members to make necessary sacrificial efforts for America's defense and to cooperate in a program of National Righteousness."

### A DEFENSE PROGRAM

The National W. C. T. U. convention adopted a 10-point Defense Program:

1. Spiritual fitness is the first line of defense in our nation's life. We urge upon the Christian citizenry of this country increased devotion to God as the Ruler of the nations, with acknowledgement of our national sins, beseeching His aid in this situation.

2. Cooperate with civilian defense councils.

3. Protect children and youth by recreation and health programs.

4. Participate in Red Cross work, home nursing training and other activities.

5. Study a nutrition program.

6. Establish friendly relations with foreign born in the community.

7. Strengthen and support welfare agencies.

8. Cooperate with U. S. O. and offer such volunteer service as can be accepted.

9. Watch consumer interests and report to proper authority any unreasonable rise in prices.

10. (a) Legislation. Continued support of S.860.

(b) Conservation of food stuffs from unnecessary use, that it may be used to feed the 40,000,000 of our citizens living on inadequate diets.

### SOLDIERS AND SAILORS

In a direct appeal to soldiers and sailors, the National W. C. T. U. asked that they voluntarily refrain from the use of beer and other liquors "as your own answer to the question of whether alcohol has any justifiable place in military life."

Convention discussion revealed "reliable information that in many camps more trainees call for soft drinks than for beer." The convention continued "We urge these young men to continue to observe the high principles which animated them in civilian life and to withstand social and other pressures to drink."

"We ask them to do just one thing: Think for a moment of what you know liquor (including 3.2 beer) does to you, of what you have seen liquor do to other men and women, and then ask yourself if a hangover has any place in the army or navy."

### DEFEND OUR DEFENDERS

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union, in its sixty-seventh annual convention, declared itself unalterably opposed to the sale and use of alcoholic liquors—including beer—in training camps, canteens or adjacent territory because of their injurious

effect upon the morale and efficiency of those who are being trained to defend America. It demanded that beer be banned from military camps through enactment of law or through the rescinding of army regulations which have made inoperative the "anti-canteen" law.

### NO BEER IN U. S. O.

No alcoholic beverages (including 3.2 beer) will be sold in connection with any U. S. O. program, according to a letter from that organization read to the National W. C. T. U. convention by Mrs. Ella P. Christner of Montclair, N. J., head of the department of soldiers and sailors.

Mrs. Christner and various state presidents who have directed such activities during the last 10 months told of the W. C. T. U. "Cooky Jar" project and related welfare activities in camp areas. Working in cooperation with local defense councils, the W. C. T. U. is trying to recreate a home atmosphere for the soldiers during their leisure time.

### SAFEGUARD YOUTH

Not forgetting those young people who are not in camps, National W. C. T. U. in its Grand Rapids convention urged that these youth have safeguards and resolved to carry on the regular program to protect the youth and rid communities of liquor and vice.

### TOTAL ABSTINENCE

The convention reaffirmed its unalterable conviction that the remedy for the evils of liquor is total abstinence on the part of the individual and governmental prohibition of the traffic in beverage alcohol. It pledged continuance of work for legislation which will array the powers of government for the suppression of the manufacture, sale and distribution of liquor.

It protested gambling in every form and went on record as definitely opposed to raising private or public funds through lotteries.

It also deplored the prevalence of indecent literature upon newsstands and urged all citizens to relentless war against its production, sale and distribution.

### EDUCATION

As the strongest ally of religion, the convention resolved to continue the program of scientific education concerning the nature and effects of alcohol upon the human body and to educate the public concerning its responsibility for outlawing the liquor traffic, and to continue to educate concerning the nature and effects of alcohol forming drugs and narcotics and to promote and support adequate anti-narcotic legislation.

### MOTION PICTURES

One of the most profound influences in shaping the thinking, customs and manners of people, and particularly of children and young people, is the motion picture, the convention declared.

In order to eliminate unfavorable factors and to bring about improvement, the W. C. T. U. reaffirmed its support of bills introduced to prohibit block booking and blind selling and to prohibit the ownership of theatres by producing companies.

### YOUTH

The twin appeals of religion and man's craving for self-betterment are winning important groups of older youth to temperance, Miss Martha S. Cooper, secretary of the Youth's Temperance Council reported.

### UNITY THROUGH PRAYER

Young couples should learn in courtship to build unity through prayer, Mrs. Hilda L. Ives of Portland, Maine, a faculty member of Andover-Newton Theological School, told the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union at Grand Rapids.

"They will find they can unify their home through prayer. The family unified by prayer is the basis for a unified nation. In the unifying effect of prayer and religion all the nations can find their basis for world peace."

### COOPERATION IS ANSWER

Cooperation is the way to a new world order, Dr. E. Stanley Jones, noted missionary, declared, and stressed the basic part that women must play in developing world cooperation "to solve the mess that competitive man has made of the world." He added: "What is needed to stop this nation from drinking is not a list of don'ts, but a tremendously long list of do's. Give Americans something like world reconstruction to do—and they'll be too busy to drink."

### OFFICERS REELECTED

By unanimous vote the sixty-seventh annual National W. C. T. U. convention in Grand Rapids reelected: Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith of Evanston, Ill., president; Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin of New York City, vice president; Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo of Evanston, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Margaret C. Munns of Evanston, treasurer; and Mrs. Nelle G. Burger of Springfield, Mo., recording secretary.

### ON THE AIR WAVES

Events of the national convention were carried throughout the nation by the three major radio chains. Outstanding was a half-hour program of prayer for invalids and shut-ins broadcast for the first time and carried over the Mutual Network, through arrangements made by Mrs. Helen H. Green of Cleveland, Ohio, national director of radio.

### WORLD'S W. C. T. U.

Attending her fiftieth National W. C. T. U. convention, Mrs. Ella A. Boole of Brooklyn, N. Y., presided as World's president on Sept. 1. W. C. T. U. missionaries reported on the spread of temperance work to South America and its progress in other nations. Mrs. Boole told of world-wide activities which have been "Passed by the Censor."

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