



"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH"

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**So Long As There Are APRIL DAYS**

So long as there are April days  
And Easter Sundays when men hear  
Above the old earth's dusty ways  
The voice of bright bells, silver, clear,  
Hours cannot grow too hard to bear,  
Nor life be overborne with care.

So long as April lights the land,  
And Easter's message still is true  
And fraught with meaning, men can  
stand

With faces lifted to the blue  
High arc above, then with new hope  
Can climb the longest, steepest slope.

O hearts, forget your ancient grief,  
Forget old lost things sacrificed,  
Each Easter bell, each April leaf  
Is heralding the living Christ:  
The Christ who holds for you and me  
The hope of all eternity.

—Grace Noll Crowell

**THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER**

Dear Co-Workers:

I am writing this in the closing of our state legislature and I am grieved that I must report no temperance measure passed during the 1943 session. I had hoped that the bill to do away with liquor advertising in newspapers and over the radio in our state, would be favorably received in both houses but it was killed in the House where it originated. A similar fate met HB 205, a bill to do away with roadhouses. The county option bill was never introduced in either house. SB 57, a bill to conform our state narcotic laws with federal narcotic act, passed the senate but was lost in the house. We rejoice that SB 66, a bill to legalize commercial punchboards, was killed in the senate where it originated. We are grateful for the fine men in both houses, who, though in the minority, did what they could do to remedy the present condition. It is now up to the voters to return such men to office and give them more support by electing more men who believe in the larger liberty for all mankind.

When this reaches you the General Officers meeting which is to be held in my home city, March 16-17 will be over. Plans will be made there for the balance of the year. Much attention will be given to planning for spring work. Replies to the general letter concerning district conventions, that was sent to all district presidents, are beginning to come in and the majority received up to date favor holding the conventions. It will take careful planning to carry out a successful convention. The most centrally located union should be selected as hostess and transportation problems carefully studied. If every union will do its part, I am sure, we can overcome every obstacle.

We are very grateful to Mrs. Ethel Bliss Baker and Minnesota comrades

HOLD FAST		HONOR ROLL		BUDGET IN FULL	
Dickey	Stanley	Dickey	Flasher	Flasher	Prosper
Edgeley	Bucyrus	Rock Lake	Hatton	Hatton	Prosper
LaMoure	Bismarck	Oberon	Larimore	Larimore	Northwood
West Fairview	Jamestown	Makoti	Parshall	Parshall	Edinburg
Calvin	Glover	Epping	Hettinger	Hettinger	Grafton
Rugby	Prosper	Stady-Zahl	Hannah	Hannah	Nekoma
Makoti	Hatton	Reeder	Bismarck	Bismarck	Fargo Scand.
Epping	Larimore				
Powers Lake	Edinburg				
Stady-Zahl					
<b>SECOND MILE</b>					
Minot \$3.00	McKenzie 60c	Grand Forks 3.00			
Crosby 3.00	Ellendale 3.00	Northwood 3.00			
Bismarck 3.00	Fargo Dist. 3.00	Park River 75c			

for releasing Miss Roena Shaner so she can come to our state for organization work, the last two weeks in May. She will be with us a full month this year and I am appealing to the district president to help place her where she can do the most effective work. Who will be the first to write and ask for her services.

We are now in the midst of our membership drive; are you doing all that you can to secure a new member? Have you made a survey of your church membership? Are you satisfied with the percentage of church women that are members of the W.C.T.U.? New York has adopted a slogan, "Every pastor's wife a member of the W.C.T.U.". I think it is a wonderful slogan and would suggest that we borrow it from New York and put it into action in our state. I feel sure Mrs. Colvin and her fine corps of women will feel greatly honored and cheer us along the way.

Our next national convention will be held in Des Moines, Iowa, the last week in September. Friday evening, September 24th will be State presidents' night. Every state president reporting a net gain in membership and with dues sent to national treasurer before September 1, 1943, will have a part on the program. North Dakota showed a net gain last year, can we top that this year? If every member will secure a new member, North Dakota will be represented on that program and will also have a greatly enlarged membership.

Budgets and dues are coming in wonderfully well but somehow the "Second Mile" project seems to have been lost along the way. Let us not forget that money is needed more now than ever. When the necessary obligations have been met, I hope that some humanitarian work for our soldier lads, will be emphasized, in all unions. A gift for the Ambulance fund or Safety School on Wheels will gladly be accepted by your state treasurer.

Every day, we see new evidence that spring is on the way. This long cold winter is finally coming to a close and we take fresh courage as we look forward to the bright warm days ahead. Gardens have taken on a new meaning under the new food ration-

ing and many of our members are planning victory gardens. We are all anxious to do our part to win the war. Food is very essential to the health and strength of our nation and our Allies; our state will have a large part in the food production program. Our farmers are anxious to do their part and will do their best to meet the nation's needs. Their greatest problem will be the shortage of manpower. Much could be done to solve this problem if the 300,000 experienced farm workers who will be growing grapes for wine this summer, could be transferred to essential farm work. This was revealed by the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union in the following report: "According to the Wine Advisory Board," said Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, president of the National W.C.T.U. "in normal years 350,000 persons are employed during the growing season in vineyards. With disregard for the nation's welfare, the wine makers continue to drain the workers away from farms producing basic foods for our own people and for our allies. It is time that an indignant public demands a stop to this waste." In addition to these farm workers, the Wine Advisory Board reports, there are 150,000 persons employed in wineries, distribution firms and wine supply industries.

Public sentiment can do much to change such conditions; let us rise up in righteous indignation and demand that in this national peril, essentials be given priority over non-essentials. This is no time to give up; let us continue to agitate, educate, organize and legislate.

The United Temperance Movement of North Dakota (formerly The Consolidated Dries) has entered upon a new program. About June 1, a state office will be established in Fargo with Rev. George O. Parish as executive secretary in charge. With a full time worker in the field, we are looking for some effective work in our state. Our W.C.T.U. is a part of this very worthy organization and we will cooperate to the best of our ability in promoting this enlarged program. We must insist however, that any financial aid must come from individual gifts; the money in our lo-

**IN APRIL**

If I had power like Joshua  
To make the sun obey,  
I'd have it stop in April  
And stand still for a day—

When peach trees dress for pageants,  
And maples still are red,  
And many a brave spring-beauty  
Wakes in its leaf-strewn bed;

When garden-kept forsythia  
Steals from the sun its gold,  
And lends a paler tinting  
To spice-bush in the wold;

When buds hold bursting secrets  
On every bush and tree,  
And birds are tuning heart-strings  
For mating melody.

Could I command the sun to stop—  
Did I say for a day?  
I'd live a year in April  
If I could have my way!

—Mabel Gillespie.

cal treasuries must be used only to promote the work of our own organization.

We have an added responsibility now that the colleges in our state have been opened to soldiers for special training. Hundreds of young soldiers have entered our college towns this month. In every such community organization work is needed to provide clean entertainment and recreation for these lads. North Dakota is the only state in the union that does not have an active U.S.O. Thousands of dollars were raised in this state for the support of this work and now we need such an organization. Let us grasp every opportunity to assist in making our communities more home-like for these strangers. Let it not be said that the only place open to them was the tavern.

They who tread the path of labor,  
Follow where my feet have trod,  
They who work without complaining,  
Do the Holy work of God.

—Henry Van Dyke.

Yours in Loving Service,  
BESSIE M. DARLING.

**We Interview A Bartender**

By Mrs. M. Moran

He called at our office looking for a house to rent.

"We have nothing vacant now," we told him, "but you might come back in a few days." And then we added, "You see that sign there 'No Drinking Allowed'." We always tell the people before hand and then they know what to expect."

"You do not have to worry about my drinking, I can't drink in my line of work," he replied.

"What is your line of work?" we asked, supposing it to be something very important.

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### Noontide Hour of Prayer

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

### Blessed Is The Nation Whose God Is The Lord

The following lines were written to a friend by a minister in England

We have been a pleasure loving people, dishonoring God's Day—

Now the sea shores are barred; no picnics,

We have preferred motor travel to church

Now there is no fuel.

We have ignored the church bells calling us to worship—

Now the bells cannot ring except to warn of invasion.

We have left the churches half empty when they should have been filled

Now they are in ruins.

The money we would not give to the Lord's work

Now is taken away from us in taxes and higher prices.

The food for which we forgot to say thanks

Now is unobtainable.

The service we refused to give God Now is conscripted for the country.

Lives we refused to live under God's control

Now are under the nation's control. Nights we would not spend in "watching unto prayer—

Now are spent in anxious air raid precautions.

We would not listen to the way of the Prince of Peace—

Now we are forced to listen to the way of war.

### A DAILY PRAYER

O God, the Father of us all, Who has made of one blood all nations of men and Who art not willing that any should perish, hear us again as we pray for the suffering everywhere in the earth.

Send light into our darkness. Help us once more to rely upon Thy promises. If our faith in Thy word has faltered, if we have come to rely upon things that are evil, increase our faith, Father, today. Forgive our unbelief, help us to turn again to Thee.

Help us to have a part in spreading through the world a share of Thy love which goes out constantly to mankind. Forbid that we should intercept or defeat that love by withholding it from any one. Inspire us to express our concern for the suffering ones in the world and so be diligent in Thy service.

Bless those who are suffering because of wars and other oppressions. Give them fortitude to bear; give them hope to light their darkness. Move upon the hearts of those in authority that they may have pity on their people and allow wars to end. Give us understanding. Forgive us as we forgive those who wrong us. Deliver us from evil.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### BERTHALEE BROYLES,

National Director, W.C.T.U., Department of International Relations for Peace. Once a resident of Park River and president of Northeast District.

### NOTES FROM THE UNIONS

Mrs. P. J. Foss, president of the Stady-Zahl union reports some of the things they are doing, though handicapped by distance from each other. They have not been able to hold regular meetings because of the very cold winter weather, and the fact that their membership is scattered over a 20 mile area. They sold lunches and aprons in December, at a close-out sale in a store in Zahl. They have paid dues and budget, contributed to the ambulance fund and gave money for state work in memory of departed friends. They have other work planned, and expect to meet as often as weather and gas rationing permit, when the winter is over. She concluded "I wish we could have more speakers out here." We all wish so too.

Mrs. Bessie M. Ordahl, president of the Edinburg union reports that they helped with the observance of Temperance Day in the schools there. The Rev. P. O. Laurhammer gave an excellent talk on Character, in the course of which he referred to the stain on the American flag made by repeal and the legalizing of liquor. The Edinburg L. T. L. gave a Willard Memorial program February 21, in the church, at which a number of guests were present. Some were parents, who expressed appreciation of this educational work for their children; some 27 members of the Legion took part in the excellent program given. This included not only the regular features of an L. T. L. meeting, but special piano numbers, readings, songs, an exercise and papers on the life of Frances Willard, all given by the youthful membership. Northeast district women who saw these children give a demonstration of a model meeting at the district convention last June, will realize how fine it was. The offering will be given for some special work of the National W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Catherwood reports three new subscriptions secured for the Union Signal at their March meeting, largely because of the convincing program arranged by the president, Mrs. Nellie M. Cross. A special feature was the playlet "On a Street Corner" given by Mrs. Cross and Mrs. John Shaw. The union is gathering books for soldiers, and putting the inscription on the fly-leaf, "Donated by the Park River W.C.T.U."

The Rugby union has ordered L.T.L. material and hopes to have the work given in the Sunday Schools of their town.

Ellendale Union has been handicapped by the absence of both president and vice-president during the winter, but the deep snow was the worst obstacle to regular meetings. They planned to meet March 16th, the day that the whole state was in the grip of a blizzard.

Plaza W.C.T.U. has asked for the slide film projector and the four films and is planning, with the assistance of their school superintendent, Mr. Royal Goheen, to show them to the entire school.

### CORRECTION

Mrs. J. E. Anderson of Rugby writes the editor to say that a mis-

take occurred when the list of those winning new members was printed in the March Bulletin. While she wishes she had been able to visit seven new members, that honor belongs to Mrs. Elise Anderson, also of Rugby.

The Willard Memorial meeting of the Valley City union was held at the home of Mrs. N. M. Neilson, not Mrs. Wilson, as was stated.

### PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Barbara H. Wylie spent some time in Grand Forks with her sister, Mrs. Harry Tisdale, on her way home from a six weeks visit with her son, Harold Wylie, in Minneapolis.

Greetings and good wishes to all state workers have been received from Mrs. Victor S. Mercer, formerly of McKenzie Union, who is now in Los Angeles, Calif. Through some error, she had not received her White Ribbon Bulletin for some time, and enjoyed the news when it was received. She wished especially, a speedy return to health, for Mrs. Wanner.

Mrs. E. E. Clarke of Ellendale is at home again after a stay of three months at the home of her daughter in Fergus Falls, Minn. While there she had the misfortune to sprain her ankle badly, but it is better now. She sends greetings to all her White Ribbon friends.

Mrs. H. O. Hermanson of Grand Forks Frances Willard union recently returned from an extended visit in California. She went to attend the wedding of her daughter Ruth to Master Sergeant Max Summers of Oakland, Calif. She had expected to see her son Stanton, who was stationed in Utah, but in the meantime he was sent overseas to serve with the U. S. forces in Africa.

Rev. and Mrs. C. G. Olson, formerly of Fargo, are now settled at Willmar, Minn., and in addition to church duties will take part in the temperance activities there. North Dakota's loss is Minnesota's gain.

### IN MEMORIAM

Their lives were as sheaves at their ripeness; as golden as grain; Their wealth had the glory of sunlight and sobbing of rain.

Ah! Who shall contend with the Master for whom they were grown,

That now in the day of completeness, He gathers His own?

C. F. Truax, one of Minot's best known citizens who had lived there since 1889, was called home recently. He was a partner in publishing the Ward County Independent for over thirty years. He was the husband of our Mrs. Truax, now president of Minot Union and State Director of the Department of Radio.

Walter Hanson, whose wife is a faithful member of the Flasher union, departed this life early in March. The added farm labor and worry resulting from the departure of his three sons for war service, took their toll of his health and strength, till the burden was too heavy.

Captain Walter W. Webster, 54, son of Mrs. C. E. Webster of Fargo, was killed in a plane crash near Philadelphia recently. He was manager of the naval aircraft factory at the Philadelphia navy yards. He was buried in Arlington National Cemetery, near Washington, D. C.

John Porter of Calvin was called home very suddenly March 17, from a heart attack. He had been as well as usual before. Mr. Porter who was

66 years of age, was born in Ontario and came to North Dakota with his parents when a little boy, residing here ever since. He is survived by his wife, who was Etta Ford of Park River, four brothers and four sisters.

The sympathy of our membership goes out to the families of these friends of our work.

### Cigarettes

In my younger days the use of tobacco in its various forms was confined to men. Nobody would even think that our fair sex would indulge in using it. Women smoking would have shocked society. I admit there were a few women of the theatrical profession, night club entertainers and a few others who smoked periodically in the privacy of their own rooms, but even they were careful not to be detected while indulging.

How different now. See what has taken place in the habits and practices of our younger generation. High school age youngsters in both sexes seem to be victims of the cigarette habit. These young people begin with a few puffs more or less as a joke, wanting to be sports. In a short time, many times even before they like the cigarettes, they are smoking a dozen a day and the habit is formed.

But to our dismay excessive cigarette smoking is not by any means confined to young people. Married women with families are habitual smokers and they care not to conceal their habit. You will see them anytime and anywhere. How disgusting it is to see a young mother, who is nursing a young child only a few days old, sitting up in bed smoking a cigarette. Don't you think the innocent child should have some consideration and respect, to say nothing of the harmful effects that it has on the infant through the medium of the mother's milk.

Is there anything more degrading than to see men walking along the curbstone watching for a butt of a cigarette? It does seem that human beings could not stoop so low, but it is done every day in our large cities. These men acquired the smoking habit when they had money and now when they are up against it, they are obliged to resort to picking up butts from the gutter. How pitiful, to say the least, but it is the result of taking the first smoke.

The cigarette habit has mastered many people who serve the master. A smoker does not even exercise common courtesy when it comes to time or place. He does not consider whether it annoys the non-smoker or not.

The cigarette smoking habit is expensive. There are hundreds of married couples who spend from twenty-five to fifty cents a day on cigarettes, with which food, clothing or other commodities could be purchased.

In many cases employees have been suspended for a couple of weeks and sometimes lost their jobs completely because they took time to smoke a cigarette, or if they failed to get a smoke they became nervous and irritable; for once a victim of the cigarette habit there seems to be no escape. Many try to give it up but in very rare cases do they succeed.

The cigarette advertisers are not broadcasting that any special brand will cool fingertips—the first symptom of obstructed circulation which may lead to gangrene in toes or fingers if the warning symptom is not heeded.

### "PARTNERS"

(From the Narcotic Review)  
Said a whiskey flask to a cigarette, "I'd like to make a good sized bet. That I can get more scalps than you, Although your victims aren't so few." Said the cigarette to the whiskey flask,



## State Treasurer's Report February 15 — March 15

DUES—Prosper 22, Grand Forks Frances Willard 4, Valley City 4, Glover 1, Pleasant Valley 2, Wild Rose 8, Grafton 3, Underwood 5, Edinburg, Edgeley 3, West Fair-View 12, Northwood 1, Larimore 4, Jamestown 10, Williston 11, Crosby 2, Oberon 1, Epping 9.

WILLARD DUES—4.

L.T.L.—Hettinger 35, Edinburg 20. BUDGET—Grand Forks Frances Willard \$15.00, Underwood \$5.00, Edinburg \$2.00, Northwood \$10.00, Jamestown \$10.00, Williston \$10.50, Crosby \$17.00, Epping \$9.00, Fargo-Scandinavian \$35.00.

SECOND MILE—Grand Forks Frances Willard \$3.00, Northwood \$3.00, Bismarck \$3.00, Edgeley \$4.00.

AMBULANCE FUND — —Williston \$1.75.

LILLIAN STEVENS LEGISLATIVE FUND—Grafton \$1.15, Jamestown \$2.00, Epping \$2.00.

FRANCES WILLARD MEMORIAL FUND—Valley City \$2.00, Edgeley \$2.00.

SAFETY SCHOOL ON WHEELS—Mrs. F. D. Barr, Sharon \$1.00, Fargo Unions joint meeting, \$2.00.

STATE REPORTS—\$2.75.

LITERATURE—\$4.74.

UNION SIGNALS—\$2.00.

On the front page of this bulletin is a list of unions having completed their budget. Several more have almost finished paying their budget quota.

The following unions are but one or two short of being Hold Fast; possibly that member has moved away and can no longer be an active member. Kindly notify your state treasurer so that you can receive proper credit: Rock Lake, New Rockford, Oberon, Wild Rose, Hannah.

The following unions are within one or two dollars of completing their budget: Crosby, Bucyrus, Gilby. This is based on your last years paid membership at the rate of \$1.00 per member. Many fine reports come to the state treasurer that suggests a spirit of progress and determination to go forward. Your friendliness and kindly cooperation is also, much appreciated.

Sincerely,  
MRS. IVER FOSSUM.

"Well, that's easy as I could ask, For I give kids their downward start, Then you pitch in and do your part. "They come to you with burning thirst,

But I'm the fellow that sees 'em first;

So most of them should count for me, I'll take the bet, it's a cinch, do'ye see?"

Then the whiskey flask had this to say,

"I never looked at the thing that way,

But I confess you spoke the truth; Tis you who tackles the foolish youth."

"You will fill his system with dopey smoke,

I mould him into a first-class snark; We work together far too well To quarrel for even a little spell."

So the whiskey flask and the cigarette

Shook hands together and offed the bet,

And away they sauntered side by side Hunting for victims far and wide.

In every corner of the nation Partners in crime and ruination,

So here's our warning, on the level, Shun them as you would shun the devil.

Tobacco is a filthy weed,

And from the devil doth proceed; It picks your pockets, burns your clothes,

And makes a chimney of your nose.

Extract, from annual address of Mrs. Emma Milkie, Pres. Wisconsin W.C.T.U.

### A CALL

That citizens may give expression to their loving thought in praise to God in prayer for the safely and well-being of their sons and daughters in Service, a Mass Meeting is called for the afternoon of Mother's Day, May 9th. Such a service met popular favor last year.

Let a committee be called representing the various churches and organizations of the community, including Protestant, Catholic, Jew and all races. We suggest that the mayor or some prominent citizen preside.

Printed program with a message to be adopted by the assembled group and sent to Service men and women would carry out the purpose of the gathering. Invite as platform guests men who have seen active service, home on leave or furlough.

#### Program Suggestions

Make the program short and definite, have the singing of two or three familiar hymns and use a litany in which all may join. Have brief addresses by a father and mother as well as by some other speaker. Have a short message to Service men and women read and adopted, urging that it be sent with a personal letter to all in Service from the community. Refer to the March 27 issue of The Union Signal for additional suggestions.

GENERAL OFFICERS  
National W.C.T.U.

### SPEECH CONTESTS

Since mailing my department letter to you I have had the privilege of attending the Anti-Saloon League Conference held in the First Baptist church in St. Petersburg, Fla., where I am at this writing. Some of the speakers at the conference were Bishop Cannon, who was very successful in his efforts against liquor during World War I; Dr. George Barton Cutten, who was president of Colgate University for twenty years; Dr. George W. Crabbe, General Secretary of the Anti-Saloon League of America; Hon. Luren D. Dickenson, former governor of Michigan; and many other noted speakers. To say the addresses were forceful, educational, spiritual and inspiring, is putting it mildly, but like all other such conferences, the people who should have heard these speakers were not there.

However those church people who did attend were given much to think of, in an address by the Rev. Sam Morris, "The Voice of Temperance" radio speaker, of San Antonio, Texas. He surely raked over the coals those who, for political or other reasons voted for repeal of the 18th Amendment, and also those who did not vote for the Prohibition candidate for president at the last election. All speakers branded the traffic in beverage alcohol as Public Enemy Number One. They told us that every Christian must get into the fight "with all we've got" — strength, ability money.

There never has been a time since the organization of the W.C.T.U. when prohibition was needed as much as today, and that brings me back to where I started — Speech Contests. I am afraid I have failed to emphasize the Junior contest work enough. It is thrilling to hear our high school boys and girls in contests, but we must lay our foundation for alcohol education in the children. Alcohol education is the primary purpose of speech contests. On page 43 of the National W.C.T.U. Handbook for 1943, Mrs. Fern W. B. Jamison, National Director of Speech Contests, gives an

attractive plan for this year's work. She calls it the 'Patsy' plan. Won't you read it, and have at least one junior contest this year? I close with her words: "Let us work and pray that Christ's kingdom may come through total abstinence to all individuals and prohibition of the liquor traffic to our beloved home-land."

MRS WALLACE VINCENT

Director.

(The valuable handbook Mrs. Vincent mentions can be obtained from State W.C.T.U. Headquarters for 5c. Send for yours! —Editor.

### Evangelistic and Sabbath Observance

Dear Co-Workers:

Greetings in the name of our precious Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. I trust the Plan of Work for 1943 has been received. This was sent to the local and district presidents. The Evangelistic Department of our W.C.T.U. is an interesting and a very worthwhile part of our work and this year the part we are stressing is, improving our devotional services. If your local union has not so far appointed an Evangelistic Director, by all means do so. You will find it a great help and a blessing spiritually. She can be responsible for the devotions at each meeting, either by requesting a member to take the part or by doing it herself. The Director can always be prepared in case the one requested can not act, and so there will be no disappointments.

Let us always remember in special prayer our boys and young women in the service of our country. A young lieutenant in the United States army after having a miraculous escape from death by a bullet lodging in his Bible which he carried in his vest pocket, writes to his sister from "The Wilds of Nowhere," and says "Before each decisive victory anywhere over here, sometimes for hours, sometimes for days, there has been a feeling of people praying from far away. So pray everyone. Tell America to pray."

You will note at the bottom of the second page of "The Plan of Work" the reminder of what is required for our fall report. Please make a definite effort to cover at least part of this and send me a report before our State Convention. Decide on what certain things you wish to stress in your organization along the Evangelistic line. One thing I would like to suggest that each member will resolve to have a family altar in her home. Bible study and prayer are two essentials in our country today. How can we know God's plan for our lives or for the world if we do not study His Word? David said "Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path," Ps. 119: 105. And "Thy Word have I hid in my heart, that I might not sin against Thee." Ps. 119:11.

Let us stay close to God's Word and so see God as He is revealed in His Son Jesus Christ. And let this be the prayer of each one of us: Keep me in the shadow of the Cross, Cleanse my sin-sick soul from all its dross,

Lead me by Thy spirit, till the whole wide world may see The Light that shone from Calvary Shining out through me.

MRS. ANDREW HAY, Director.

#### We Interview A Bartender

(continued from page one.)

"I am a bartender," was his surprising reply.

"Oh, you are? Well, if you have a few minutes to spare we would like to ask you a few questions in regard to the liquor traffic, if you don't mind answering them."

"Why, not at all. I'll be glad to."

And he sat down.

"Is it true that liquor establishments do not allow their employees to touch liquor—in fact, they insist on employees being strict teetotalers?" was our first question.

"That is absolutely true. A bartender or any other employee would be fired in a minute if he dared touch liquor."

"Queer. You can sell it and ruin employees of other firms but you must not drink it yourself, eh?"

The B. T. laughed. "That's about it, all right," he said.

"Are there other firms that insist on total abstinence that you know of? We asked him.

"Certainly. All places where care must be exercised do not allow their employees to drink, but the liquor establishments are the most strict."

"Why does not your boss want you to drink?" we asked.

"Naturally, because it would ruin his trade to have a drunk bartender serving the people. A bartender has to have his head clear."

This made us smile. "You must be sober yourself in order to sell to a bunch of drunks. Is that it?"

"Well, just about it," he replied.

"Don't you ever get disgusted being in such a dirty line of work?"

"Yes, lady, I do. I often get downright sick seeing such degrading sights as I naturally witness daily, but my boss is very kind and considerate and has helped me out when I was sick and needed it. I could not find other work when I took the job, and I have just stayed on and have learned the trade so I draw pretty good money. I ease my conscience with the thought that if it wasn't me it would be some other fellow selling it." He rather hung his head when he made this admission.

"Doesn't your boss help you merely because he knows you are a good man and he can trust you to stay sober and honest. It is as much for his own interests as for ours that he is good to you, isn't it?" He agreed to this and we continued:

"What do you think about the way women drink since repeal?"

His face darkened and he raised his voice angrily as he answered: "I think it is the most horrible thing that ever happened to this country. I had rather serve 50 drunk men than one drunk woman. The women make themselves so much more offensive than the men. We are not supposed to sell to anyone who is already intoxicated and when we tell them to get out they call us filthy, vile names; spit at us and do such indecent things I would not mention them. You can believe me when I say it is a thousand times worse for women to drink than men. Women lose control over themselves so much more easily and sink to the level of the lowest kind of beast."

"Well, from that we gather that you think it was a mistake to repeal prohibition?"

He was very much in earnest when he answered. "A mistake? It was a rotten, dirty shame. The worst thing that ever happened to America!"

We asked him: "Do you mean you would vote for a return of prohibition? What about your job?"

"Would I vote for prohibition? Lady, I would be one of the first at the polls—just to save our women from going to the dogs if for nothing else! And, don't worry about my job. With the liquor traffic out of the way everything would pick up!" He grew enthusiastic and hit our desk with his fist.

We could not help laughing. Here was a bartender, and a good one, we judged, wishing with all his heart for the return of prohibition!

—National Voice.

## "Where There's Drink, There's Danger."

Write it on the Liquor store,  
Write it on the prison door,  
Write it on the gin-shop fine,  
Write, aye, write this truthful line—  
"Where there's drink, there's danger."

Write it on the work-house gate,  
Write it on the school boys' slate,  
Write it on the copy-book,  
Where the young may often look—  
"Where there's drink, there's danger."

Write it on the nation's laws,  
Trampling out the license clause,  
Write it on the ballot white,  
So it can be read aright:  
"Where there's drink, there's danger."

Write it over every gate,  
On the church, the halls of state,  
In the heart of every band,  
On the laws of every land —  
"Where there's drink there's danger."

This poem used as a song by the L.T.L. was written years ago, but is most applicable to the present time. It was sent in by Mrs. J. E. Anderson, Rugby, who had it printed in their local paper.

## "Distillers Add 19 States In New Ad Drive

Under the above head, Editor and Publisher, on January 9, 1943, carried the following very significant announcement.

The test of campaign of public policy advertising initiated by the Conference of Alcoholic Beverage Industries, Inc., in seven southern states in November has created so much favorable public interest that the Conference has decided to extend the campaign to 19 additional states immediately, it was announced last week.

In this campaign "Old Judge" discourses with his neighbors on the questions touching upon the social and economic aspects of the alcoholic beverage industry and discusses Prohibition from the point of view of public interest and welfare.

The campaign is placed in all week-ends and in all dailies in towns of 50,000 or less. Non-cancellable contracts have been issued for the first 16 weeks of advertising but the test campaign will continue for six months. Results will determine whether similar advertising will be continued indefinitely.

The seven states in which this advertising has been running since the first week in November are: Alabama, North Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, Texas, Arkansas, and Florida. The states now being added are: Arizona, Colorado, Delaware, Idaho, Indiana, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Oregon, South Carolina, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia and Wyoming.

This campaign has not been offered to newspapers in dry counties, but since the campaign started 45 newspapers which do not accept liquor advertising have asked for and been permitted to run the campaign.

No doubt many of the small-town newspapers in the states where the liquor interests plan to carry on their new campaign will accept the liquor advertising, but unquestionably there are still some editors who put principle before price.

The Ingham County News of Mason, Michigan, for example has clearly stated its policy. On January 7, 1943, this newspaper informed its readers of its own reaction to this

latest liquor program to "catch" and subsidize the small town papers which heretofore have been the staunch supporters of the dry forces. On that date under the headline, "The 'Judge' Is Getting Nervous," this county publication announced:

"Every weekly newspaper in Michigan is being offered sixteen 21-inch advertisements by the Alcoholic Beverage Institute, Inc., an organization founded by the liquor and beer manufacturers to keep Prohibition from returning.

"In the advertisements the 'judge' is represented as a small-town citizen whose word goes a long way with his fellow townsmen. Naturally, the 'judge' is much upset over the threat the war has brought to the liquor industry. Last year in Michigan the sale and consumption of liquor and beer was far ahead of any other year, and the distillers and brewers don't want their income reduced by war or war-born Prohibition.

"In each one of the advertisements the 'judge' sounds off the evils about Prohibition and the great profits made by Federal and state and local governments in handling liquor.

"We are telling what the 'judge' says because the Ingham County News has turned down the proffered contract, much as we need the revenue which 366 column inches of advertising would yield. We are abiding by our policy of refusing to run liquor advertising.

"It's queer that the very people who climbed into office on the repeal plank are now the people who are busily engaged in rationing food and all other necessities. They said Prohibition wouldn't work, that people couldn't be stopped from bootlegging. Yet the men in high government offices are not worried over the bootlegging of food and gasoline. They apparently believe they can enforce the law as it applies to a can of corn, a pound of prunes, an undershirt, or a quart of kerosene.

"Prohibition was not enforced in the big cities because the liquor interests and the law enforcement agencies were too often in cahoots. Prohibition was enforced in this community and other rural areas. It could have been enforced everywhere had there been any attempt at honest enforcement. Certainly if the Federal Government can prevent bootlegging in canned peas, sugar, whipping cream, milk and succotash, the bootlegging of liquor could have been stamped out.

"But the 'judge' will keep away from that angle." —The Union Signal.

## Notes From The Corresponding Secretary

I wish to thank all those W.C.T.U. friends and the W.C.T.U. Unions for the many cards and letters of sympathy sent me and my daughter at the death of my husband. It helps so much to know friends are thinking of you at a time like this and the expressions of sympathy were much appreciated and will be long remembered.

ALBERTA W. LUNDHAGEN.

## LEARNING

School begins when the world is young,  
When the sweetest songs are all unsung,  
When the earth is tender and warm and fine,  
And ends at the brief horizon line!  
School is over when heads bow low,  
When eyes are dim and the pulse beats slow,  
When war lands beckon beyond the sun,  
And the voice of the Master breathes, "Well done!"

## Advertising In Disguise

Most reputable newspapers mark all advertising matter in their columns as such, unless by its appearance the public knows without being told that it is advertising.

Tricky advertisers have long sought to present their advertising in some disguised form, often as reading matter, taking the reader off his guard so that he will read advertising without knowing it.

A recent flagrant example of this sort of fraud is seen in the series of illustrated "boxes" that are appearing in many publications headed "The Old Judge Says. . ."

These ads are prepared by the Alcoholic Beverage Industries, and are filled with mis-statements of the rankest kind. Why don't the newspapers that print them mark them "advertising" and keep faith with their readers?

—Prohibition Is Coming Back—  
—National Voice.

## Just Between Ourselves

The annual March blizzard arrived just in time to prevent the meeting of the general officers, to which Mrs. Darling was looking forward when she wrote her letter. Becoming severe on the 15th as it did, it brought sad memories of the terrible storm of that date, in 1941. No trains came through on our railroad for several days, and this paper must go to the printer with what news reached me in the mail Friday the 19th. If there are too many clippings from other papers to please you, it will be because the news you sent did not arrive in time. I am grateful to those who wrote promptly.

In spite of any weather, time marches on, and spring will arrive after winter's last stand. Are your plans made for those meetings in April and May? Please note that National asks for a public meeting again on Mother's Day, as those which were held according to plan were very successful last year. Start your plans soon enough, so you can carry them out. Perhaps other organizations will cooperate, if you make contact with them soon enough.

We are glad to hear that Miss Shaner is coming to us again this year. Please note Mrs. Darling's request, and if you want her in your district notify the state president very soon. I expect we all want her, but this is a big state, and we cannot all have her, in one month. If you plan to have her, begin now to make arrangements for meetings for her.

How are you getting on with the membership campaign? Are any of us in the frame of mind of those fishermen the scriptures tell us about? Weary, unsuccessful and discouraged, they replied to the Master's question, "Lord, we have toiled all night and taken nothing." Perhaps we feel that we have done that, too. But do you recall the instruction those men received? "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets!" Have we faith enough to try again, perhaps in circumstances or with people where we have not tried before? Then too, with conditions what they are, people sometimes have a changed viewpoint, but need to be asked again. Launch Out!

In spite of the fact that snow drifts are piled high in our yards today, the sun moves steadily north with each day's rising, and Easter will come, though it is very late this year; the latest date it can come during the 20th Century, we are told. We should have flowers in bloom to help us realize the truth of the Resurrection, this year. To many, that hope has become more important than ever be-

fore. Those of you who live where you can attend special Lenten services are fortunate; as you pray especially for our work and the workers, will you not add a petition for those of us out on the farms, for many of whom there may be no church services within reach at all, fill summer comes? We need your prayers!

The story the young army officer tells in the letter mentioned by Mrs. Hay in her department letter, is a thrilling one. Stunned by the impact of the bullet and supposed dead by his companion, whose courage in meeting the enemy saved them both, he recovered consciousness and looked at his pocket bible. The bullet had struck it squarely, and drilled its way through the pages, to stop finally, pointing, as he said 'like a finger' at this verse: "A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked." Ps. 91: 7, 8. This led to the conversion of his comrade too, and he tells of leading other men, a lot of them, to Christ. Let us not forget his admonition to pray, "Tell everyone to pray. Tell all America to go to its knees." If the war can bring that to pass, our splendid boys will not have made their sacrifices in vain. Let us pray!

ELIZABETH C. BEASLEY

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