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LET US KEEP CHRISTMAS

Whatever else be lost among the years, Let us keep Christmas still a shining thing; Whatever doubts assail us, or what fears, Let us hold close one day, remembering its poignant meaning for the hearts of men. Let us get back our childlike faith again.

And there are home-sweet rooms where laughter rings, And we can sing the carols as of old. Above the eastern hills a white star swings; There is an ancient story to be told; There are kind words and cheering words to say Let us be happy on the Christ Child's day.

-Grace Noll Crowell

The President's Letter

Since my last letter to you our State Executive Meeting has been held and the plans for the new year are now in operation. Because our Bulletin is published bi-monthly it was voted to have mimeographed copies of the President's Recommendations sent to each District President with the request that extra copies be made for each local union. I trust that this has been done and that each local union has given some time to the reading and discussion of these plans. The National and State Recommendations are the working program for the year. If you have not received such a copy you will find a printed one in this issue.

We had a delightful and profitable time at our State Executive with a fine attendance of the Board members. It was not a closed meeting and we had hoped that more local women from Fargo and surrounding towns would attend. We were very happy to have our two former state presidents, Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson and Mrs. Fred M. Wanner with us. They added to the interest of the meeting with their helpful suggestions. The guest speaker at the last evening session was Mrs. Fred Meissner, National Organizer, who was working in our state at that time. Words are inadequate in expressing our appreciation of Mrs. Meissner's splendid work while in our midst. She is an earnest consecrated worker whose profound interest in our cause and untiring efforts win new members where ever she goes. She organized unions at the following places: Hunter, Page, Lisbon and Oakes and an LTL and a YTC at Oakes. A big "Thank You", Mrs. Meissner, and we will begin now to plan for your return next October.

While I was in the Northeast District I was able to organize a new union at Fairdale. We extend a warm welcome to these seven new organizations, and give them assurance that we are ready and willing to help them become strong organizations that will be a power for good in their respective communities. May I especially urge that the district presidents keep closely in touch with the new unions in their districts, until the new officers become more familiar with the work.

This is a splendid beginning for our new year and should encourage everyone to go out and win new members. Let us make this one of North Dakota's outstanding years in new members, new organizations and educational work. The month of November—dues-paying month, is rapidly slipping away. Every union should endeavor to collect all dues from resident members before Christmas so that we may have a shower of "Hold-Fast" unions.

Before this reaches you, Miss Regina Moede, General Secretary of Nat'l YTC will be in our state for three days of work. She is traveling through on her way west and will visit three of our larger cities. It has been a great disappointment to me that in this big state we have been unable to find anyone who will serve as General Secretary of Youth's Temperance Council.

North Dakota has some splendid young people and we need this work in our state. The liquor interests are bidding for these young people, what are we doing about it? I am so happy that the new union at Oakes saw that great need and immediately organized an LTL and a YTC. Williston is now considering the latter and they already have a fine LTL. Unions with such vision live and grow. "Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap". Sow a seed of truth that will help our youth to be strong and clean and we will reap the satisfaction of doing our part towards making a better world.

If you have studied the National and State Recommendations, you will know that each state will conduct a "Mile of Quarters" campaign for the furtherance of our work. This money can be used for any or all phases of our work and inasmuch as we are in the midst of raising a Narcotic Education Fund, we can use it to complete that fund. This is something that everyone can do. A mile of quarters is 16,890 quarters and to get that many will take the united effort of every woman in our organization. Divide that sum by the number of members that we have and you will have an idea how many quarters each member must raise. This money must be raised over and above all other obligations. Get these obligations—dues, budget state and district paid in full very soon then begin to gather in the quarters. The amount turned in to our state treasurer by any union will be applied on their quota for Narcotic Education Fund. Read carefully the amount paid by each union, up to date on NEF. See in this

National-State Conferences will be held in each state and we will probably hold one the last week in January. Jamestown is the most central place for such a conference but time and place are tentative at this time. Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin, our National President, will be our guest speaker. Mrs. Colvin lived in our state during her early married life and they still own their farm in the Hettinger community. It will be her first visit to us as National president and every member will be anxious to meet her. She is one of the most outstanding speakers of the present day so let us begin to plan now to attend this conference. She will help us promote the "Mile of Quarters" campaign, membership campaign and other phases of our work.

There is a challenge in the WCTU slogan for this coming year, "Let the People Know". One of the first things we ought to let the people know is the attempt of the Liquor Traffic to get hard-liquor advertisements on the big radio net-works. They plan to sponsor programs that will be interesting to the family along patriotic, public welfare and moral lines, and no brands will be advertised nor will they urge people to drink. They are anticipating an onslaught of protests from the "drys" so let us enlist the help of our church people and urge the Broadcasting Companies not to remove the ban on hard-liquor advertising.

You will find names and addresses of Broadcasting Companies on separate page.

When this reaches you plans will be underway for the celebration of Christmas. It will truly be a day of "Peace on earth, Good will to men", this year. In our joy and happiness we will not forget those whose homes have been left desolate by war nor those in the war torn lands that are hungry and cold. As our hearts are lifted in prayer for them may we also share our material gifts with them. Dear comrades I take this opportunity to wish for every one of you a Christmas filled with joy, peace and happiness.

May you have
The Gladness of Christmas
Which is Hope,
The spirit of Christmas
Which is Peace,
The heart of Christmas
Which is Love.
Loyally yours, BESSIE M. DARLING.

Notes From The Unions

The September meeting of the Grafton union was held at the home of Mrs. A. B. Thompson Thursday afternoon the 20th, with Mrs. Sena Thompson assisting hostess. Mrs. Fraser, the president, was in charge, and devotions were led by Mrs. A. M. Herbison. Mrs. Dike, Chairman of Child Welfare, had charge of the program which followed the business meeting. Miss Lorna Sande, Welfare Worker, gave an interesting talk on Child Welfare and Juvenile Delinquency. It is to be hoped that the union can help Miss Sande in some way, with the worth while work she is doing.

Two white ribbon recruits—Peter and Erik, the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Williamson—were dedicated by Mrs. Fraser, and their grandmother, Mrs. Dike, tied the white ribbons on their chubby wrists. Several other little people were to have been dedicated also at that time, but due to rain and bad roads could not attend. Jessie Carlson, Ann and Lorrie Williamson sang "Yes, Jesus Loves Me," accompanied by Mrs. Percy Carlson. The union has begun sewing garments for Christmas boxes for needy babes. The hostesses served a delicious lunch at the close of the meeting.

The Grand Forks Frances Willard union keeps up its interesting meetings. In August Mrs. John Sandbek, who left for Baltimore, was given a testament as a parting gift, and Lt. Ada Mae Hermanson, member of the army nurse corps, who is the daughter of the local president, spoke interestingly of her experiences in France. At the September meeting, Mrs. Kate S. Wilder gave some highlights of the National Executive meeting, from which she had just returned. All officers were reelected.

The Fargo Scandinavian union met October 10, with the State Honorary President, Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson as guest speaker. A letter was sent to the Fargo City Commission, commending them for their enforcement of the 9:30 curfew ordinance as a preventive of child delinquency. The treasurer was instructed to pay the budget in full. Mrs. Howard Kemis is the secretary of this large union.

The Williston union presented a public program to a good audience in the First Baptist church Thursday evening, October 25. The president, Mrs. Don B. Fish, presided, Rev. A. W. Teske led the devotional service, and a demonstration was given by the L. T. L., which is directed by Mrs. H. W. Stockman and Mrs. P. J. Erickson. Mrs. A. W. Teske, director of the Youth's Temperance Council which is just getting started, spoke on "A Good Time with a Purpose." Other speakers had been arranged for, but were not able to appear; the president very capably filled in with impromptu talks on the work, and at her invitation State Senator P. I. Dahlen, Mr. Morten Mortenson and Judge Frank Hoare gave interesting extemporary talks on subjects relative to the temperance program. Musical numbers were two piano numbers by Duane Erickson and a vocal duet by Ruby and Jordis Hovland. Rev. W. K. Chapman gave the benediction. Five new active members and three honorary were received at this meeting.

The Valley City union, supported by the Ministerial Association there, succeeded in getting the city council to pass a beer ordinance that will outlaw basement beer parlors. A large number of interested citizens and a group of students from Oriska high school, studying social science, attended the meeting at which the final vote was taken, after arguments by both sides. The ordinance passed on its final reading by a vote of three to five of the council members. The ruling will go into effect Dec. 31, 1945, after which no licensee may operate more than one beer parlor under one license, and no license will be granted for the operation of a beer parlor below or above the ground floor of any building, with clubs and lodges providing the exception. Speakers who favored the ordinance were roundly cheered by the audience. They were Atty. Roy A. Ployhar, E. P. Getchell, and the Rev. Wilson Johnstone, president of the Ministerial Association. The president of the local union, Mrs. G. C. Thurston, says "It was a wonderful meeting." Congratulations!

Review of the Year's Work

1944-1945

Every year since first having the responsibility of compiling the review of the year's work from the reports of the local WCTU's, I have been trying to get a larger number of reports and more accurate ones. Thinking that perhaps the blanks need to be revised an attempt was made early in the summer to get suggestions from district presidents and department directors, but with little success, so about the only change which was made was to be a little less "Scotch" with paper and allow more space for answers. This has seemed to help in the reports that came in, but there was no improvement in numbers—for the number is the same as last year—43—and we have one more WCTU, that at Tioga which was organized this year.

Seven districts have reports in from all the WCTU's in the district. They are: Bismarck, North Central, Grand Forks, Fargo, James Valley, Minot and Northeast.

MEMBERSHIP: New members reported by these 43 WCTU's were: WCTU, 111; renewed members (those whose membership has lapsed a year and who have rejoined) 34; honorary, 22. The reports on LTL were so confused and irregular that I can make no accurate report on new members.

Members lost were: by death 21; by failure to pay dues, 29; by removal, 45. Six of these last were given transfer cards. I urge again the use of these cards in order not to lose these members who move to another town and fail to make themselves known to the WCTU there. The largest net gain in membership was the Valley City WCTU; next in line is Powers Lake; and third is Frances E. Willard (Grand Forks). The largest LTL is at Hatton.

HOLDFAST WCTU's: (Paying dues for all living resident members by March 1st) are 24. Calvin, Hatton, Flasher, Dickey, Oberon, Parshall, Plaza, Alamo, Crosby, Wildrose, Williston, Reeder, Bowesmont, Hannah, Nekoma, Edgeley, West Fairview, Sawyer, Stady-Zahl, Stanley, Valley City, Monango, Larimore, Langdon.

FRUITFUL WCTU's: (Those showing a net increase of members over last year) are: Dickey, West Fairview, Parshall, Plaza, Alamo, Crosby, Stanley, Williston, Flasher, Valley City, Monango, Larimore, and Nekoma.

LIGHT LINE WCTU's are: Bismarck, Flasher, New Rockford and Jamestown.

LIGHT LIGHT DISTRICTS: Grand Forks and Minot.

BANNER UNIONS are 20: Bismarck, Flasher, Fargo Scandinavian, Prosper, Gilby, Grand Forks, Frances E. Willard, Hatton, Larimore, Northwood, Jamestown, Minot, Parshall, Plaza, New Rockford, Crosby, Williston, Edgeley, Cavalier, and Grafton. Fifteen of the 43 reporting did not report their credits.

BANNER DISTRICTS are: Grand Forks, Minot and North-

DISTRICT CONVENTIONS were held in May and June. Reports of only seven of these, Grand Forks, Ellendale, Minot, Northeast, James Valley, New Rockford, and Ransome-LaMoure were sent to the editor of the White Ribbon Bulletin and were printed. Presidents were re-elected in Grand Forks, James Valley, Minot, Northeast, and Ransome-LaMoure districts.

Mrs. Carl Maack has come back after a year's absence, to be president of Ellendale District. Mrs. H. F. Taplin of New Rockford was elected president of that district and Mrs. Nellie Hicks was elected president of Fargo District but later resigned. Mrs. Darling was guest speaker at all of the conventions but one. Mrs. Mielke, vice president, was guest speaker at the Fargo District convention.

The White Ribbon Bulletin has been issued six times during the year—bi-monthly.

NARCOTIC EDUCATION: Miss Mary Grimette conducted these classes at Minot but was taken ill there and could not go to Valley City. Miss Bozeman sent Miss Beulah Chappell to complete the work. Eighteen of the 43 WCTU's contributed \$321.13 to the Narcotic Education Fund. Eleven sent contributions to the Safety School on Wheels.

OTHER FUNDS: Six WCTU's contributed to the Blood Bank; 5 to Red Cross activities; 2 to Chinese Relief; 2 to United Temperance Movement; 1 to Radio; 4 to Cancer Control; 1 to Anti-Tuberculosis; 1 to Salvation Army; 2 to Florence Crittenton Home; 1 paid for temperance quotation in the county paper; several gave to local funds such as Community Chest, USO, Infantile Paralysis and county funds.

LITERATURE: Thirty-seven WCTU's report 231 Union Signal Subscriptions, with Bismarck leading with 18. Threehundred and twenty-three Young Crusaders subscriptions were reported by 26 WCTU's. Minot reports 107 most of which are school subscriptions. Park River gives subscriptions to seven schools. 3,798 leaflets were distributed by 19 WCTU's, plus 200 blotters. Seventeen WCTU's used 2,137 leaflets in their local work. No leaflets were reported sold. Literature ordered during the year was 6,313 leaflets, 150 Topical Programs, 15 Handbooks, 21 Topical Program packets, 12 Christian Citizenship packets, 14 Grey Bunny books, 42 color cards, 74 Voice of Song, 10 LTL manuals, 3 posters, 28 booklets, 5 gold medals, 1,000 blotters, 1 Sunday School budget, pledge cards: 200 Sunday School, 100 LTL, 96 White Ribbon Recruit, 200 WCTU, 96 White Ribbon Recruit certificates, 36 White Ribbon Recruit birthday cards, 24 pins, 8 organizations packets, and report blanks for LTL and STI.

There was no catalog put out this year by National, but monthly bulletins were published and these were sent to each state department director and to the district presidents each month. I would be interested to know if these were found helpful.

State reports were sent out to all general officers, presidents of WCTU's, department directors, district presidents, and to the National corresponding secretary and to our Washington correspondents.

Leaflets in regard to Frances Willard memorial fund were sent to each WCTU. Petition forms were mimeographed for two petitions and sent to the WCTU's by Mrs. Wilder. Report blanks were also mimeographed—some 800.

A letter regarding the use of sugar for brewers was mimeographed and sent to all WCTU's and district presidents, also a letter from the state president.

An annual report was made out and sent to the National Corresponding Secretary and to the national directors of those departments for which we have no state director.

Greetings were sent to the members of the executive committee not present at the annual convention, and to a number of other interested persons unable to attend.

Letters and postcards written during the year, while not accurately kept track of were some over 400. Packages of literature, including the state reports, were somewhere around 300.

CERTIFICATES: Life membership certificates were made out for Mrs. George Wilcox, Gilby; Mrs. Isabel Morey, Grand Forks; Mrs. Anna Hanson, Flasher; Miss Christine Gjevre, Nekoma; Mrs. Robert Taylor, Fortuna; and Mrs. P. J. Foss, Appam.

Memorial certificates were made out for Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Owston, Grafton; Mrs. S. D. Brier, Sawyer; and John Woodrow Pehrson, Frazer, Montana.

Child certificates were made out for Jay Justin Darling, Grand Forks; Roy Wilder Holand, Mary Elizabeth Holand, Donald Selby Holand, all of LaMoure; James William Brudevold, Dianne Marie Redell, Redge Porter Trubey, Daniel Clark Blomquist, Charles Adolph Burseth, Stephen James Burseth, Carol Alice Fagerson, Marylin Kay Peterson, David Nathaniel Mielke, JoAnn Mones, all of Fargo; Marvel Faith Harris, Nekoma; Janet Louise Christianson, Grand Forks; Ruby, Joan Zook, Minot, and Kenneth Oliver Holter/Plaza.

FILMS: The films and projector were used by Rev. Mohr at Neche, by Mrs. Rumer at Edgeley, and Mrs. Bignall and Mrs. Thomas Barnard at Valley City. Mrs. Darling had them with her on her tour of the district conventions. A new film, "Smoking, That's Something to Think About" has been received in the office, and has been shown at Valley City. No films were sold during the year.

OTHER ACTIVITIES: Rugby had three meetings on the Dumbarton Oaks plan; Parshall presented the Life of Frances E. Willard to the school; Sawyer distributed 500 cards to voters;

Oberon provided copies of temperance plays to the school and one was put on by those students for the WCTU meeting; Williston presented the "Frances E. Willard pageant"; Edgeley had a party and picnic for the LTL; Hannah sent a box of clothing, also candy and nuts for Christmas to a Home; Langdon distributed literature at the county fair; Langdon also had one meeting each on the departments of Drama and Pageantry; International Relations for Peace, Non-alcoholic Fruit Drinks, and Parliamentary Usage. They have LTL meetings with 6 to 12 present, but had not had pledges signed as yet.

Attention!

Will all sponsors of our Child Honorary Members please send snapshots or unmounted pictures of them, with name and age when the picture was taken with each, to WCTU Head-quarters, 1421 Seventh St. South, Fargo, N. D. We are to have a scrap-book of pictures of these children. Please do this promptly.

The President's Recommendations

1-Goals for the 60th Anniversary (1949).

That we increase our efforts to reach the suggested goals for the 60th anniversary of the North Dakota WCTU in 1949:

(1)-600 new WCTU members

-600 " YTC "

-600 " LTL

-600 " Honorary "

That each union strive for a net gain in active membership; that every member obtain one new and one re-newed member this year.

Each union should try to secure as many Honorary members as they have active members.

Increased emphasis upon the work among children and youth, working toward a goal of 1200 under 21 years of age enlisted in the LTL and YTC by 1949.

(2)—60 new organizations including local unions, Iota Sigmas, YTCs, and LTLs.

Strive to obtain new organizations in all districts; special emphasis on rural unions. Engage a National organizer for six weeks work in our state. Send a future organizer to National Organization School.

(3)-Narcotic Education Fund-\$3,000.

Appointment of a state chairman to direct the raising of money for this fund.

An aggressive campaign to secure Child Honorary Memberships (at \$5.00) and a mile of quarters; the full amount of both projects to go into this fund.

2-November Roll-Call.

That each union continue to observe the November Roll-Call of dues thus increasing the Hold-fast unions. That every union endeavor to become a Banner, Hold-fast, and a Fruitful union. Recognition ribbons will be awarded at State convention in 1946. 3—Department Work.

That every local union and district appoint at least three department directors. Directors should carefully study "Plan of Work" and adapt it to local needs.

A well planned institute will increase knowledge of and interest in, department work. Endeavor to hold at least one institute in each district.

4—Scientific Temperance Instruction.

- (1)—That we secure the services of a specialist in Narcotic education for a month's work in our public schools. That we continue the work established in two of our Teachers Colleges if trained teachers are available.
- (2)—That we encourage Temperance Day programs in public schools by cooperating with the teachers in securing suitable material.
- (3)—Encourage the use of film strips in grade schools, Sunday schools and Vacation Bible Schools. Purchase Film Strips from WCTU Headquarters. Publicize our motion pictures and encourage schools to use them.

 5—Liquorless Recreation.

Cooperate with other organizations in securing in every (Continued on page 9)

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A Word to the Wise

This is the report issue of our paper, but there are so many other things that really need to go in, that some of the directors' reports have had to be held over till next time. Watch for them then, and see if you reported all the things that you should have. Our directors work hardfi and they are entitled to know whether or not you have tried to do the things they ask. Keep this issue.

In October it was the editor's privilege to accompany the state president, Mrs. Darling, on visits to several unions. We went to Rock Lake and Calvin, helping with institutes at both places. It was unfortunate that the threshing, delayed by the wet weather in September, was being rushed as fast as possible, and women from the country found it nearly impossible to take the time to attend the meetings. At Calvin, interested women

from Hannah and Sarles were present, and in holding both institutes, we were enriched by becoming better acquainted with the fine women who continue to work for total abstinence in spite of all handicaps. Mrs. Darling helped the Fairdale women reorganize, and at Park River we had the privilege of meeting also delegations of women from Edinburg and Cavalier, as well as the faithful ones of the hostess union. The delightful lunch they served for us was beautiful and original too. (We were wonderfully fed everywhere we went; I am sure we both gained too much weight.)

Mrs. Bessie M. Ordahl of Edinburg was present, and brought her little granddaughter whom Mrs. Darling dedicated as a White Ribbon Recruit, as well as a little boy. (I regret that I did not record the names of these children.) Another especially fine feature of this meeting was a talk by Dr. Movius of Park River; he had given it before at a meeting of the union and it was so good he was asked to repeat it. The wise things he said would stand more repetition. Sunday morning, Mrs. Darling spoke at Soper church near Fairdale. Sunday night, through arrangements made by the Rev. and Mrs. Laurhammer of Edinburg, she addressed a good audience at St. Peter's Church east of Adams, where she was heard with marked attention and received a generous offering. Monday afternoon she met with the Langdon union; women from Hannah were present there also, and the district president, Mrs. Ordahl, through whose efforts the trip had been arranged.

Thanksgiving Day is past; many of us have special cause for gratitude this year while others find it hard to see 'the stars shine through the cypress trees'. Problems multiply with demobilization. May we never forget to pray for the leaders of our own and other nations, who must somehow find the ability to deal with affairs affecting the whole world. May they seek God's guidance, diligently. How we all need to do that! May your Christmas be happy and peaceful. Your friend,

-Elizabeth C. Beasley.

Wets Plan to Capture the Air

Not partialled with the advertising open to them on billboarde and printed pages, the liquor interests are planning a new drive to put "Hard" liquor advertisements on the big radio networks, according to an article in VARIETY, the trade paper for screen, radio, music and stage. Knowing that many will object to such advertising, it is expected that they will be very careful at first, not to offend. They expect to begin by having distilling interests sponsor a program, probably given by popular entertainers, and at first do not plan to advertise brands nor urge people to buy; instead, the program will be on patriotic, public welfare or even moral themes.

Of course, if their programs meet with no objection, it will be like the story of the camel's nose; soon the radio dials will be crowded with whisky advertisements, as well as those of wine and beer which we now have. Will you not send a protest to the broadcasting companies against any letting down of their ban against hard liquor advertising? You can well include objections to the present wine and beer programs. Sen. Arthur Capper of Kansas had well said: "When you ride on the street car or pick up a magazine, or see a billboard in the foreground repeating by subtle suggestion or positive statement or visual impact, that alcohol is a healthful, harmless, socially compulsory beverage. it does something to you. Especially is this true of ceaseless repetition of the same ideas by pleasant voices over the radio. Unless you are strongly resistant to suggestion—and most of us are not-you break down a little each time, the defenses put up by common sense."

Let us not allow them to do this without protest. The addresses of the broadcasting companies follow. Write today!

National Broadcasting Company, President, Mr. Niles Trammell, RCA Building, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York 20,

American Broadcasting Company, President, Mr. Mark Woods, RCA Building, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York 20, N. Y.

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Treasurer's Report Sept. 20, 1945-November 20, 1945

Dues: Cavalier 12, Hunter 8, Page 15, Northwood 18, Bismarck 14, New Rockford 14, Powers Lake 24, Fairdale 8, Flasher 7, Plaza 7, Larimore 11, Grand Forks 16, Minot 11, Valley City 50, Tioga 17, Fargo 29, Alamo 12.

Willard: Mrs. C. J. Kuehl, Wilton; Mrs. John Fossum, Maxbass; Mrs. Catherine Eyres, Sioux City, Iowa; Mrs. J. A. Munro, St. Vincent, Minn.; Mrs. Emily Booker, Mrs. Percy Kneeshaw, Mrs. H. P. Ottem, Mrs. John Ottem, all of Pembina.

L. T. L.: Plaza 10.

Budget: Cavalier \$12.00, Fargo Scandinavian \$75.00, Grand Forkks \$25.00, Glover \$9.50, LaMoure \$7.00, Larimore \$40.00, Fargo \$9.00. Fargo Scandinavian and Larimore have the distinction, this year, of being first in paying their budget.

District Pledge: North Central \$5.00.

Literature & Supplies: \$10.05.

Collections: State Executive \$12.74; Calvin Institute \$6.50.

Narcotic Education: Grand Forks \$4.00, Flasher \$3.00, Minot \$3.00, Edinburg \$19.00

National Publications: \$9.10.

Narcotic Education Fund

At our state convention, held in Valley City, 1944, we adopted a five year program of Narcotic Education. The goal set with which to carry on this work was \$3,000.00, or six hundred dollars per year. A number of our Unions were heartily interested in the project and met their quota for the first year. However, we fell short of our state goal by one hundred and fifty dollars. This should not discourage us as some of the Unions were not familiar with the project and did not get started in time to make their quota the first year. We are confident they will make it up this year. Someone will be asking, "How can we know the amount of the quota for our union?" The quota for your union is two-thirds of your membership. If you membership is eighteen your quota for each year would be \$12.00. Various methods were used by the unions in helping to raise this fund. Memorials were designated to the fund. Child memberships of five dollars each will be credited to your union. In the annual report of our corresponding secretary will be found a list of the Child Memberships for last year. Yours for Success,

-Mrs. Iver Fossum, State Treasurer.

Personal Mention

Mrs. H. O. Hermanson, State Director of Speech Contests and president of Grand Forks Frances Willard union, has received word of the promotion to First Lieutenant of her daughter, Ada Mae Hermanson, who recently returned from overseas service in England and France with the army nurse corps. She is now assigned to Crile hospital in Cleveland.

Williston union has lost some good members lately by removal. Mrs. John Silker has gone to Minneapolis to make her home with her daughter. Mrs. W. J. Wilson leaves to join her husband, Capt. W. J. Wilson, as he returns. Mrs. Chester Cain of the Salvation Army was transferred to Virginia, Minn., and the Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Wernick were transferred to Bismarck. Fortunately the successors of these friends, Mrs. Lesley Chase of the Salvation Army, and the Rev. and Mrs. W. K. Chapman of the Adventist church, have joined the union and are helping with the work.

Mrs. Clarence W. Lee of Chehalis, Washington, formerly of Stady, who served as president of Northwest District for a time, send's a subscription for the WHITE RIBBON BULLETIN. Mrs. Lee is now president of Lewis County, Wash. WCTN, and in her interesting letter speaks of seeing Mrs. Necia Buck at the state convention of West Washington. She reports that the latter is looking very well. Mrs. Lee concludes her letter thus: "Please give my love to Barbara Wylie and Mrs. Wanner. I feel that I owe both a great deal for my start in the temperance work."

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Simcox of Chehalis, Wash., celebrated their Golden Wedding not long ago, with more than a hundred relatives and guests present. The gathering was held in the parlors of the First Methodist church, in which they are active workers. All their five children and their families were present for the occasion. The Simcox family formerly lived at Park River, where he was superintendent of the high school. Mrs. Simcox for several years was the faithful and efficient Musical Director of the N. D. WCTU; she is now first vice president of Lewis County WCTU, in the state they have chosen for their home.

Noontide Hour of Prayer

It is always noontide somewhere, and across The awakening continents from shore to shore Somewhere our prayers are rising evermore.

Treasurer's Report

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Budget	1.119.08
District Pledges	135.00
Convention Collections	136.36
Literature & Supplies	71.70
White Ribbon Bulletin	3.50
National Publications	72.80
Light Line Unions	25.00
Salety School on Wheels	51.20
China Relief	10.96
Red Cross Blood Bank	35.75
Lillian Stevens Legislative kund	36 50
Willard Memorial Fund	59.10
Narcotic Education Fund:	
Child memberships 85.00	
Contributions 306.52	491.52
Memorial Memberships	30.00
Life Memberships	60.00
Continuing Memberships	5.00
Continuing Memberships Field Work & Travel (Collections)	169.18
State Reports	13.00
Miscellaneous	17.98
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Auditor's Report

In Savings Account N. W. Bldg. & Loan, Fargo, N. D....

I have audited the records of your treasurer for the period of September 10, 1944 to September 10, 1945. I find the receipts to be \$3,564.33, with a balance of \$477.83 on hand at the beginning of the year, making a total of \$4,042.16. The disbursements were \$2,850.50, leaving a balance of \$1,191.66. There is on hand in the savings account at the Northwestern Building & Loan Co., \$312.54. Respectfully submitted,

-Sanford M. Leraas, Auditor.

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Miss Harriet Frisbie, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Frisbie of Casselton had completed three years of work last June in the office of one of the most important personages of recent years—that of General George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff of the armies of the United States. The daughter of our LTL secretary likes Washington, D. C.

Executive Committee Meeting

The meeting was held in the YWCA in Fargo, where the state president, Mrs. Bessie M. Darling called it to order at 2:30 Thursday afternoon, October 4, 1945. Mrs. H. E. Mielke, the vice president, led the worship service. The Consecration Hymn, "Take My Life and Let It Be—" was sung, Mrs. Mielke read scripture with comment, and offered prayer, closing with the Lord's prayer, in which all joined.

Mrs. Darling explained that the state convention was cancelled because of transportation problems, before the government ban on meetings was lifted. Mrs. C. F. Truax led in the flag salute. Mrs. Jessie A. Potter, acting president of Fargo district, made us welcome, and Mrs. Alex C. Burr of Jamestown gave response. Mrs. Franklin, formerly of Watertown, S. D., whose husband is the new pastor of the Nazarene church in Fargo, was introduced and spoke graciously, mentioning that she had seen Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin, the National president.

Roll call followed. Greetings were received from the Bismarck union, from Mrs. Barbara A. Wylie and some others. Committees were appointed as follows: Courtesies—Mrs. H. E. Mielke, Mrs. Jessie A. Potter. Union Signal and Young Crusader—Mrs. Alex C. Burr, Mrs. J. W. Frisbie. Membership—Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, Mrs. Paul Hanson, Mrs. F. T. Brooks.

Mrs. Iver Fossum, state treasurer, gave her annual report. The auditor's report was read and adopted. The treasurer's report was adopted with a rising vote of thanks. Mrs. Darling explained about proposed work in the schools by Miss Ida Underland, who is available for North Dakota in April or May. Mrs. J. W. Frisbie, LTL Secretary, reported her branch of the work. Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson, Honorary President, spoke briefly, emphasizing the LTL.

Mrs. Alberta W. Lundhagen, state corresponding secretary, gave a review of the year's work, including lists of Holdfast, Fruitful and Lightline unions. The report was adopted with a vote of thanks. It was voted to send greetings to all absent members of the Executive committee, to Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin, Mrs. Necia E. Buck, Mrs. Elva D. Pehrson, and Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer and others. Mrs. Lavinia Bignall, director of Visual Education, gave the report of her department. Mrs. Muir offered the closing prayer.

FRIDAY MORNING

The session began at nine o'clock. Mrs. Annie Porter of Calvin offered the opening prayer. "Let the Beauty of Jesus Be Seen In Me" and "What the World Needs Is Jesus" were sung. Reports of the districts were given by Mrs. Philip Stolberg, president of Bismarck; Mrs. F. T. Brooks, president of Minot; Mrs. Annie Porter, for North Central; Mrs. Paul Hanson, president of Ransome-LaMoure (who came with her arm in a sling); Mrs. of Ransome-Lamoure (who came with her aim in a sing), have Jessie A. Potter, acting president of Fargo; Mrs. Alex C. Burr, president of James Valley; and Mrs. Bessie M. Ordahl, president of Northeast district. The president's recommendations were read and adopted. It was voted to have the corresponding secretary get mimeographed copies of these recommendations made, and sent to each district president. It was voted to have a supplement to the state report, to contain such material as the general officers decide. Mrs. Darling explained about field work in general, and Northwest district's good methods of arranging for it. Mrs. Truax offered the noontide prayer. FRIDAY AFTERNOON

America was sung as the opening song, and the worship service was led by Mrs. R. J. Stinson. Reports of department work were given by these state directors: Mrs. Jessie A. Potter, Child Welfare and Health; Mrs. Nellie M. Cross, Publicity; Mrs. Kate S. Wilder, Legislation; Mrs. C. F. Truax, Radio; Mrs. R. J. Stinson, Religious Education; Mrs. Fred M. Wanner, Scientific Temperance Instruction; Mrs. Philip Stolberg, Social Morality. Some other reports were read.

The Rev. G. O. Parish, Director of the United Temperance Movement, was introduced and spoke briefly. Mrs. Fred Meissner, National organizer, now at work in the state, was intro-

duced and told a little of what she is doing.

Mrs. Darling brought up the matter of the price of the
WHITE RIBBON BULLETIN. After discussion, it was voted to raise the price of subscriptions from non-members to 50 cents per year. Mrs. Nels Skabo, president of Northwest district, late because of missing a train, gave a brief report of her district work. Matters concerning the credit courses for state Teachers' Colleges were discussed. It was voted to employ an organizer for six weeks next fall; and also that we have an instructor come to work in the public schools for one month next spring. Mrs. H. E. Mielke, chairman, spoke on the results of the membership drive, and gave the plans for next year. All reports of directors were accepted. It was voted to leave all unfinished business to the general officers. The meeting adjourned, with the Aaronic benediction.

EVENING MEETINGS

Thursday evening the meeting was held in Calvary Evan-Thursday evening the meeting was held in Calvary Evangelical Church, with the state vice president, Mrs. H. E. Mielke presiding. "Work for the Night Is Coming" was sung; Mrs. Fred M. Wanner led devotions, using "Be ye doers of the word and not hearers only" as the theme of the service, and offering prayer. Mrs. Frost sang "God Shall Wipe Away All Tears". Mrs. Bessie M. Darling gave her annual address, which appeared in full in the WHITE RIBBON BULLETIN. Mrs. Frank Beasley,

conducted a Memorial service, during which "In the Sweet By and By" was sung, scripture read from John 14; 1-3; Rev. 21; 1, 4; and names of departed comrades and relatives of members who had been called home since last we met, were read. Mrs. Kate S. Wilder asked for the offering. Mrs. Alberta W. Lundhagen awarded ribbons to banner unions and districts. The meeting closed with the Aaronic benediction.

Friday evening we met in the same church. "Leaning On

the Everlasting Arms" was sung, and Mrs. Iver Fossum led the worship service. Mrs. R. E. Cummins sang. Rev. T. Dahle of Fargo, field worker for the United Temperance Movement, showed the sound films, "That Boy Joe" and "It's the Brain That Counts." The audience was small, and the echoes made it hard to hear the words well. Mrs. Fred Meissner gave the address of the evening. Mrs. Darling warned of the dangers of municipal liquor stores becoming entrenched in the towns of the state, because of improvements that can be made with the money received. She thanked all those who made the meetings of the executive committee a success.

At a meeting of the general officers, it was agreed that the state WCTU should send the UNION SIGNAL to the president of each new union, for one year. It was voted to have a scrap book with pictures of our Child Honorary members in, to be kept at Headquarters. Miss Eleanore Lundhagen was appointed to compile the book. One of the pleasant features of the afternoon meeting was the 'picture gallery' on the table of the president, where snap shots and larger pictures of children and grandchildren of members, were displayed.

Child Welfare

Forty report blanks returned, 19 no work done, 21 more or less. Ten held Mother's meetings; 9 observed Mother's Day; 8 observed Child Health Day; 2 had Christmas Candle projects; 49 White Ribbon Recruits—2 at District convention; 15 keep permanent record of Recruits; 10 send birthday cards; 7 send Congratulation cards to new mothers. Six urged parents to study What Alcohol Does, and other like things and one passed out

Over 250 pages of literature given out or sold. Four co-operated with P. T. A., etc., in programs; 2 had programs on department work at regular meetings.

-Jessie A. Potter, Director.

Christian Citizenship

Twenty-four Unions sent in reports; 15 had Citizenship directors; 15 had one meeting devoted to the departmental work; 10 had supplied their directors with the special packet of literature for the department.

Nine did something towards encouraging a clean press; 9 did special features for a cleaner town; 8 were helpfully interested in the recreation interests in their locality; 11 reported special civic activities done by their unions under "other work done" in the outlined report. Those deserving honorable mention in such are: Grand Forks, Larimore, Hatton, Mott, Bismarck, Bottineau, Williston, Gilby, Underwood Parshall and Minot.
Your director mailed the departmental literature to all

unions, and district presidents, as well as the special directors; wrote several letters towards the end in view of a clean press; and took an active part in the November election bearing on the banning of liquor sales in public dining rooms; also wrote letters to our congressmen bearing on the measures listed in our Union Signal in the glossary.

-Mrs. George Campbell, Director.

Flower Mission and Relief

Unions reporting 39, however, 11 of these reported no work done in this department. \$79.74 was spent for this department and \$121.57 was contributed for the war orphans.

Six hundred and forty-six bouquets with scripture texts were given, besides many more flowers and plants were reported. There were 1218 visits to private homes and 1378 visits to institutions.

Seventy-three bouquets and baskets of flowers were placed in churches in honor of Frances E. Willard and other WCTU

Four socials were given in honor of wives and mothers of service men, and 171 young mothers visited and given flowers. Four hundred and eighty letters and cards were sent to service men and women; 150 cards of sympathy and get well; 30 letters with the poem "Opportunity" were written.

Twenty-two programs were given on the work of this de-

partment, and many fine leaflets distributed on flower mission and relief.

Seven hundred and twenty-eight items of food for the needy were listed and 1319 garments of all kinds, mostly for "European Relief".

Not included in the preceding list are these miscellaneous items gleaned from the reports: Rugby sent copies of "The Upper Room" to the hospital for tuberculosis at San Haven; Northwood served supper to the inmates of the Old Folks' Home and Hospital; Edgeley furnished a companion for a bereaved soldier's wife. They also gave eggs, meat and vegetables to needy folks and gave away literature and magazines. Jamestown sends cards to sick and shut-ins; and took part in a clothing drive. Crosby' visits the sick, shut-in and needy with flowers, fruit, fruit juices, jelly soups, milk and cookies. They assisted with the European clothing drive; did Red Cross work and collected paper, fat and tin cans for the war effort. They also gave quantitles of religious and temperance literature.

Minot gave jelly, apples, crackers, chicken soup, etc. to needy and co-operated with other organizations in the clothing drive. dat Dickey gave chickens, eggs, fruit and baking to needy. Hatton observed Jennie Cassady day with a special program; they contributed to the clothing drive, did Red Coss work; and gave

pins to members leaving.

Prosper held handlelight services for sons and husbands in two churches; Nekoma donated a wool comforter to Bible Camp; a box of baby clothing to Florence Crittenton Home; and 600

quarts of milk to the needy.

Park River gives Jelly, grape juice, ice cream, cookies and other food to the sick and shut-ins, also sends cards; Wildrose sent Christmas boxes to the soldier boys whose relatives belonged to the union; Calvin's Flower Mission and Relief department undertook the clothing drive there and collected one truck

load for European Relief.

Fargo Scandinavian donated to the House of Mercy and Florence Crittenton Home, \$11.65. Food of different kinds were donated to these homes and also to the Old People's Home. Christmas gifts were given to old and shut-in members. Underwood gave 100 quarts of food to Jamestown Crippled Children's School; and a box of material and \$5.00 to the Florence Crittenton Home at Fargo at Christmas. Gilby donated 15 large boxes of clothing. Plaza donated 2 boxes and many other unions report contributing and helping with the clothing drive for European Relief. Larimore reports many calls made to Gold Star

mothers. They also donated several boxes of clothing. Frances E. Willard WCTU of Grand Forks have a member in the sanitarium to whom they send special flowers and cards. -Mrs. C. E. Erickson, Director.

Publicity

Unions reporting-38, reporting no work done 8. Unions having a Publicity Director-18. Newspaper publicity 700 inches. Letters sent to Congressmen, 140; to Legislators 6. Telegrams to Congressmen 5. Fifteen petitions sent in.

Four unions reported material furnished to Sunday Schools; 4 material for sermons and 2 material furnished for other occasions. One union sends Union Signal to city library and to 3 pastors. One union sends it to 2 S. S. Superintendents, and 1 to a school superintendent. One union distributed 300 pamphlets in schools and churches.

One union spent \$6, one \$10 and one \$17.50 for pre-election advertising. Two unions were represented at convention of the United Temperance Movement and one delegate told of the value of the Union Signal. This resulted in two pastors subscribing for it.

One union assisted another union with its publicity; another sent six Temperance Packs to ministers; another sent 3 leaf-

lets to each of 10 churches.

Larimore reports 150 letters and telegrams sent to Congressmen and also sent out 200 "Vote Yes" cards before election. Cavalier put paid advertisement in local paper, sponsored movies in the school and had a speaker there on Temperance Day. Langdon distributed 100 Blue Books and sheets of questions on

Bible verses about strong drink.

Minot has meetings announced among other news items over the radio and some sermons are broadcast. One union keeps posters in a business place. Edgeley answered "The Old Judge" in local paper.

Fargo Scandinavian entertained the Fargo and Prosper unions

Edinburg held a picnic to which Cavalier and Park River were invited. Most unions report published announcements of their meetings; 7 report dry newspapers.

—Nellie M. Cross, Director.

Religious Education

Blanks for reports were sent out to the unions; 33 reported. Bianks for reports were sent out to the unions, so reported. Points gained, 133; pages of literature given out, 104; members gained 61; children signing pledges, 50. It seems that little has been done in this important department; let us hope that seed sown may yield a better harvest a year hence.

Mrs. R. J. Stinson, Director.

Scientific Temperance Instruction

Unions reporting, 45; schools with exhibits, 13; PTA's having a program in Narcotics, 2; booklets and leaflets distributed, 1260; schools using our literature, 31; public or school libraries having narcotic reference shelf, 12; Library book projects placed in public or school libraries, 28; schools or libraries subscribing to Young Crusader, 48; visual projects at schools or other public places, 15; conferences with teachers, 17.

College credit courses given, 2, Minot, with Miss Grimmett, instructor—number not reported; Valley City, Miss Chappelle,

instructor, 19 taking course. Teachers receive credits for this course and will know how to teach temperance. Unions using Miss Estelle Bozeman's March Message, 19. Posters reported 298. Ellendale, Grand Forks, Willard, Minot, and Valley City gave most complete reports. Mott, Parshall, Underwood, Williston, and Plaza report plans all ready made for better work this coming year.

Again Grand Forks, Willard, Union reports about 100 essays written in country schools with County Superintendent, Miss Hilda Christianson as director—their Union giving 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes, distributing two leaflets to each of 80 schools and sending three Union signals. Also report that 24 teachers gave special temperance programs, inviting mothers of students, showing what can and will be done if we interest our teachers. Nekoma again had guest day early in the year, teachers as special guests—showing them our literature and planning temperance instruction. Plaza reports teachers attending each Union meeting. Underwood sends literature and Crusaders to seven country schools. Valley City, Jamestown, and Minot report giving Crusaders to Grade Schools and Union Signals to High School, College, and City Libraries. Minot leads with 100 Crusaders to Grade Schools and Union Signals to High School, College, and City Libraries. saders for schools.

Several report a number having taught a class in narcotics in Daily Vacation Bible School and aiding in Sunday School Temperance lessons. Jamestown reports most posters made-

I have written 114 letters, mailed 900 pages of literature, sending Miss Bozeman's March Message and literature to each President and STI director. Wrote letter early in year for Bulletin.

-Mrs. Fred M. Wanner. Director.

POSTER PRIZE WINNERS 1945
Third and 4th Grades: First, Leon Plantinga, Jamestown; second, Hanzel, Parshall; honorable mention, Mona Burgstahler,

Fifth and 6th Grades: First, Nancy Norgaard, Valley City; second, LaDonna Babcock, Jamestown; honorable mention, Eunice Benson, Flasher. Seventh and 8th Grades: First, Robert Mutchler, North-

wood; Second, Nora Lunzman, Oberon; honorable mention, Harriet Monson, Flasher.

Visual Education

Dear Co-Workers:

William Lyon Phelps said: "I believe a knowledge of the Bible, without a college course, is more valuable than a College course without knowledge of the Bible."

I like that, don't you? It was not my privilege to have a college course, but thank the "Lord" His word is free and there is no end to the knowledge that may be obtained if one will but apply oneself.

I trust by the time the Bulletin is out you will all have received the plan of work and will be well started on the work for the coming year. I am trying to procure a sound projector and if, I succeed, would be glad to fill appointments with the different unions out over the State if, they will pay at least part of my expenses.

Another 21 dollars was added to the advertising campaign against the "Old Judge", making a total of one hundred sixtyone dollars, given by our local churches and friends. This took only a small effort on my part and I am sure other directors can do as much or more if some one will only speak a few words of encouragement, to get the ball started.

"During the trial of our faith—though it be tried with fire—" how will our characters stand? Will they shatter as weakened glass or burn as impurities? I am glad to say that the Ministerial Association in my home town have responded wonderfully in helping the past year. Our city ordinance has been amended and we will have no basement taverns after January 1, 1946.

The time we have lost cannot be recalled; then let us re-

deem and improve the little that remains.

Some one has said: "One's life showing the way is better than 10 tongues trying to tell it to you."

He always wins who sides with God, To him no chance is lost; God's will is sweetest to him when It triumphs at his cost, If it be His sweet will.

—Selected.

Sincerely yours in the work,

—Lavinia Bignall, Director.

THE ROAD TO BETHLEHEM

It isn't far to Bethlehem town-It's anywhere that Christ comes down And finds in people's friendly face A welcome and abiding place; The road to Bethlehem runs right through The home of folks like me and you. -Exchange.

Our state president, Mrs. Bessie M. Darling, welcomed a new grandson, Ronald Jr., October 23.

Program Guide

January, 1946

WOMAN of the MONTH-Zerelda Gray Wallace "Stand Loyally," Song: p. 9.

Worship: Habakkuk 2:12.

Directed Prayer: For our state and nation's law makers that they may provide protective legislation for our homes and for our children; for parents and teachers who guide through example and teaching, and train for Christian Citizenship. Home Protection:

Family Centered Recreation1 Training for Statesmanship² Protective Legislation1

Activities: Offering—Lillian M. N. Stevens Legislative Fund. Send complete offering, minimum \$2.00. Have a January 16 Legislative Luncheon, or Dinner. Appoint special committee

to prepare for the Willard Memorial Meeting in February. SOURCE MATERIALS: 1The Union Signal, December 1 (Legislation), Washington Letters in The Union Signal. Leaflets: "The Cost of Alcoholic Beverages and the Liquor Traffic." 2"Why Should the Bible Be Read in the Public Schools?" 2"The Bible and the Public Schools."

FEBRUARY
WOMAN of the MONTH—Dr. Elizabeth Blackwel WILLARD MEMORIAL TEA

Song: "For God and Home and Every Land," p. 14. Worship: Proverbs 22:6; John 11: 28b, 29. Prayer Response: "A Prayer," p. 25. Part I

Frances Willard: From Home Environment to World Citizenship1 Part II

Social Hygiene in Relation to Family Life—presented by a phy-

sician or a nurse2 Social Hygiene in Relation to Community Life-presented by a

PTA member²

Activities: Willard Memorial Offering. Send complete offering minimum \$2.00. Have Recognition Service for new members, obtained since the beginning of the Fiscal Year. (See "Helps for The Local Union," p. 26, 27.) Have new members sign WCTU Activity Card for file. Appoint committee of honorary members to prepare March program. Suggestion: Serve Elderflower tea (see "Here's To," The Union Signal, Nov.

25, 1944, p. 12), and hot Orange Flower tea.
SOURCE MATERIALS: 1The Union Signal, January 12 (Willord Momerical) lard Memorial). ²January 17 (Social Morality and Social Hygiene). Book References—"Pioneer Girl," Judson; "Frances Willard of Evanston," Trowbridge. "The Willard Memorial

Fund.

PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

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community, liquor free recreation centers for young people. 6-National Conferences-as recommended by National officers:

"A mile of quarters campaign in each state to help fight the liquor traffic in 52 National State Conferences to be held during winter and spring months, to each of which a National speaker is sent at National expense. A suggested uniform program to be offered by National. States to provide other speakers and other features on the program. Meetings may be called for one or two days with opportunity for meeting of state mid-year executive. Entertainment of National speakers provided by states. Offerings divided equally between State and National.

7-Publications:

We recognize the value of our National Organ-the Union Signal-in the promotion of our work and urge that every union strive to reach the goal (one subscription for every six paid members); That the Young Crusader be placed in homes where there are young children, in grades of public schools, and in Sunday schools.

We urge that local unions subscribe for the Monthly Budget of new literature for use in preparing programs. We recommend the book, "The Wrecking of the Eighteenth Amendment" by Ernest Gordon for study and for presentation to libraries.

8-Train Speakers:

Each local union should be a training school for speakers. Interesting facts and items taken from the Union Signal should be presented at each meeting by one of the members and an award given at close of the year for the best presentation. Speeches should not be longer than ten minutes. -Spiritual Life:

Our organization was born in prayer and through the years its members have lifted their hearts to God seeking His divine guidance in all things. We re-affirm our faith in the power of prayer and may we be more faithful in the observance of the noon-tide hour of prayer.

That each union carefully plan for the worship service of each meeting.

Our state permits Bible reading in public schools without comment but does not compel it. We urge that every union work for authorization by Board of Education for Bible reading in their schools.

A copy of the Ten Commandments should be placed in every school room.

RECIPE FOR ROAD STEW

Take one stewed prune, one pickled peach, and one date. Saturate the peach and prune with brandy, gin or whisky. If unable to get these beer will do. Place on the seat of a highpowered car and leave on the road for 30 minutes. Then garnish with broken glass, gravel, and serve cold on a marble slab. Very attractive in light-colored box garnished with flowers. -Exchange.

"The lion couldn't eat Daniel because one half of him was grit and the other half backbone."

—Exchange.

Miss Margaret Mary, daughter of President Truman, a student at George Washington University, does not smoke or drink, which is cheerful reading for those who are concerned about the example set in high places to the youth of America. -Union Signal.

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