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"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH"

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## Our Uncrowned Queen

By ELYSABETH M. COOPER

Among the nation's most illustrious men  
Her statue stands for all the world to see;  
Of chaste white marble like the purity  
She symbolized and emphasized with pen  
And loving words. This leader of the band  
Who proudly wears the little bow of white,  
Held high a flaming oriflamme of light,  
That those who might come after could withstand  
The evil days of deep despair and sin,  
Prevailing when intemperance is rife;  
For this great cause she gladly gave her life  
That men might find the way and enter in.  
Beloved Frances Willard . . . Uncrowned Queen . . .  
We follow through the years that intervene.  
—In Ohio Messenger.

## The President's Letter

Dear Comrades:

When this reaches you we will be in the second month of the New Year but since this is my first opportunity may I wish you all a Happy and Successful New Year. May it be a year with greater opportunities for service, greater achievements and greater gains in all lines of our work. It will be our first full year of peace since 1940 so with grateful hearts let us go forward with renewed vigor striving to do our part to establish a permanent peace.

When our state treasurer's books closed September 10th we had made a net gain in membership over the previous year. In the first month of our fiscal year we gained five new unions, two YTCs and an LTL. That was a splendid beginning but unless everyone enters into the membership drive with a determination to win one new member or more, we may not be able to offset the loss that we experience every year by death, removal or failure to pay dues. Let us therefore try to do our share. Do not fail to report all new members to membership chairman, Mrs. H. E. Mielce.

Frequently we hear someone deplore the present day liquor conditions. Did you ever ask that somebody what he or she was doing to change these conditions? We, the citizens, are responsible for what our state is and what it shall become. We must make our influence count in building for total abstinence and the cause of better living. Let us go forward in this new year enlisting men, women, young people and children in our organization under the American Family membership plan. By building up sentiment for total abstinence we will secure better conditions which will eventually lead to victory for our cause.

It was decided at the Executive meeting not to print a new State Minutes this year so please, do not destroy the 1944 issue. The last issue of the White Ribbon Bulletin—November-December issue, contains the new directory of the officers by districts, and should be carefully preserved. The whole issue is of great importance to the work so keep it for reference. This is the time to study points for Banner unions and strive to reach that goal. When annual report blanks are received report number of points gained to State Corresponding Secretary. She has no other way of knowing what unions have reached the goal unless it is reported.

We were keenly disappointed when National-State Conferences had to be cancelled as we had looked forward to Mrs. Colvin's visit with great anticipation. However, we realize it was the wisest and most patriotic thing to do under present day congested traveling and housing facilities. Jamestown had cordially invited us to meet there in spite of the fact that they are experiencing one of the worst housing problems in our state. We are so grateful to them for their willingness to tackle such a difficult

problem. Let us forget our disappointment by entering into the tasks that lie ahead with greater enthusiasm and a grim determination to make this the most successful year in our WCTU history.

The "Mile of Quarters" campaign in which we are now engaged was proposed by our National officers as a means to raise the Narcotic Education Fund which most of the states launched last year. A mile of quarters is approximately \$15,000. Each state had the privilege of deciding the amount it would attempt to raise, one mile, half mile or quarter mile. In as much as North Dakota had voted last year to raise \$3,000 in five years the general officers decided to make our goal a quarter mile or approximately \$3,750. That amount would be equivalent to \$3.00 per member or one foot of quarters. Some of our unions raised one fifth of their quota last year and so have a good start but others have not done anything along this line. Let each union begin at once so that all may have a share in this fund. We will then be able to enlarge upon our educational work and do some of the things that have been left undone because of lack in funds. Our Child Honorary Membership (\$5.00) will continue to be applied on this fund so honor your babies and young children by making them Honorary Members of the WCTU. Such a membership is equivalent to one two-thirds feet in quarters.

We were delighted to have Miss Regina Moede, National General Secretary of YTC, stop in Grand Forks, Minot and Williston while traveling through our state to her home state of Washington. Special meetings were held in all three places and she was enthusiastically received everywhere. Williston had organized a new YTC and were greatly encouraged in the work by Miss Moede's visit. North Dakota has adopted the State Council plan which Miss Moede suggested and that will give every union an opportunity to solicit memberships among their young people. The plan is to secure memberships from young people by pledge signing and the payment of dues (50 cents in our state). No local council will be formed but material and literature will be sent out quarterly to local unions to be used in ready made groups of young people. Some person must be responsible for the material and for the present your state president will try to do this in addition to her own work. We must however, endeavor to secure someone who has more time and I will be very glad to receive recommendations from anyone who has such a person in their district or local union. We have named this new council, Wild Rose, which is fitting because it is the name of our state flower. May I urge that every union give this plan its heartiest cooperation and seek to enlist the young people.

Let us observe the two Red-Letter Days, Lillian M. N. Stevens Legislative Fund Day and Frances Willard Memorial Day with appropriate programs. Seek to enlarge the attendance and take a special offering at each meeting.

You will be grieved to know that Mrs. Fred M. Wanner, our former president had an accident in her home and is in the Jamestown hospital with a broken pelvic bone. I am glad to report that she is making good progress and cheerfully writes about the splendid care she has had. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery go to her in this letter.

It has just been revealed by the state treasurer, Mr. H. W. Swenson that North Dakotans drank 20% more whiskey in 1945 than in 1944; 4% more wine than last year and nearly 4% more high alcohol content malt beverages than in 1944.

One of the WCTU slogans this year is "Let the People Know". Here is an opportunity to let the people of your community know what dangers our state is facing. What about the health and character of our people if such an increase in drinking is experienced every year? Confronted with such a challenge we must strengthen all lines of our work and sound the clarion call that we will not quit until the Liquor Traffic quits.

If Men will do their utmost  
God will not fail to do his share.  
Jacob Riis.  
Yours in service, Bessie M. Darling.

## Notes From the Unions

The Flasher union has sent a box of baby clothes and \$22.00 in cash to the Save the Children Federation. Mrs. Phillip Stolberg, president of Bismarck District, attended the meeting of the North Dakota Educational Association when it met at Bismarck, and had a literature table there. Assisted by two members of the Bismarck union, she gave away over a thousand leaflets, Union Signals, Young Crusaders and posters, and answered many questions. She admits that for once she was tired from talking! It was a fine thing to bring these matters to the attention of the teachers of the state.

The Frances Willard union of Grand Forks had their Christmas meeting at the Home for the Aged this year. Children from various Sunday Schools took part in the program of music and recitations. The guest speaker was the Rev. Robert Otterstad of the United Lutheran church. Lunch was served by several members.

Minot union had the pleasure of having Miss Regina Moede, National Secretary of YTC, at their December meeting, and report that all enjoyed her visit very much. Members of the Sawyer union were guests at the meeting. Mrs. Zook and Mrs. Barns entertained at the YWCA for her. Accompanied by Mrs. F. T. Brooks, District President, Miss Moede spoke to a class at the Teacher's College, and at the Junior High School. Minot's January meeting was held at the home of Mrs. A. C. Christinson. Mrs. C. B. Davis led devotions, and Mrs. J. H. Mackley sang a solo. Mrs. George Campbell, Director of Christian Citizenship, led in a discussion on present day citizenship. The offering was given to the Lillian Stevens Legislative Fund. Mrs. C. A. Zook made her grandson, Lester Alvin Zook, a Child Honorary Member.

The Grand Forks union met in January at the home of Mrs. David Ferguson. Twelve members and two visitors were present. Mrs. C. C. Carpenter led devotions, and the quiz on legislation was used. Mrs. Morris Williams talked on the proposed increase in liquor advertising over the radio, and discussion followed in which all took part.

Fargo Scandinavian Union observed the November Roll call with a meeting at the Florence Crittenton Home, at which, as usual, they presented gifts and an offering to the Home. In December they met with Mrs. H. Stewart. They sang Christmas carols, and a solo, "Little Town of Bethlehem" sung by Helen Mae Pfeilsticker was a feature of the program. Her accompanist was Dolores Berg, who also played a piano number. Rev. Moe was the guest speaker. They held their Christmas party at the close of the program, after which lunch was served. In January they met at the home of the president, Mrs. Mae Brudevold; plans for future work were made. They were happy to have Mrs. Nellie M. Cross, State Director of Publicity, as a guest at this meeting.

Crosby Union met with Mrs. Andrew Hay, State Director of Spiritual Life, January 7th. A fine meeting is reported, but no details given. The offering was sent for the Lillian Stevens Legislative Fund. Letters were sent to Mrs. Fred M. Wanner, who is a patient in the hospital at Jamestown.

The Park River union met in December at the home of Mrs. Stanley Shaw, with Mrs. John Shaw as hostess. There was a good attendance. Rev. Rockne was a valued contributor to the Christmas program, reading a Christmas fantasy with another selection and following with a fine talk. This union has gained a new member, which enables them to keep their number.

The Grafton union met at the home of Mrs. A. M. Herbison and her daughter Mrs. P. E. Carlson, in November. Members sewed on articles which will be sent to the Florence Crittenton Home at Fargo. Plans were made for a Christmas party to be held in connection with the next meeting. Mrs. Donald Dike led the worship service; Mrs. T. W. Walker and Mrs. Herbison were in charge of a Thanksgiving program, at which Miss Marguerite Phelps played a piano solo, and readings were given by Jessie Carlson, Mrs. Mary Bjerke, Miss Phelps and Mrs. A. G. Tverberg. A Thanksgiving game was enjoyed and lunch was served by the hostesses.

Williston Union met the afternoon of November 30 at the home of Mrs. H. W. Stockman, with 18 members and five visitors present. Mrs. Stuart Parvin, program chairman, presented the Panorama of the WCTU to demonstrate the work; Mrs. H. W. Stockman outlined the program of the Loyal Temperance Legion. Mrs. A. W. Teske gave the purpose of the Youth's Temperance Council and announced the candle light installation service for the new officers to be held at the First Baptist Church parsonage the following Monday evening. Mrs. John Birkland read a poem, "The Torch" at the close of the demonstration. Department directors Mrs. Lesly Chase, Mrs. Frank Hoare and Mrs. Earnest Huston each gave a report of their work. At the business meeting following the program, at which Mrs. Don Fish presided, plans were made for the visit to Williston of Miss Regina Moede, National General Secretary of the YTC. It was arranged for her to speak at an afternoon meeting, and again

after school to young people, at the First Methodist church; and to give a short talk in the evening at the Holiness Methodist church. Five new members were received at this meeting. It is heartening to hear from their secretary, Mrs. C. M. Sonne, of so many new members received; 12 have joined without any special solicitation, beginning with the August meeting. Their methods of 'letting the people know' about our work are showing success, and we are all glad.

## In Memoriam

"Land of the tearless, where no sigh is ever known,  
Where flows Life's river by the golden throne,  
Far beyond the sunset's glory, flaming in the west,  
In the Father's Homeland they shall be at rest."

Mrs. Christ Sydness, charter members of the Fargo Scandinavian union, passed from this life in October after a short illness. The union attended the services for her in a body, with a large number of members present to place white ribbon bows in the casket.

Miss Maude I. Mathews of Minneapolis, former resident of Larimore, passed away in December. When the North Dakota WCTU was young, Miss Mathews was Lecture Bureau Superintendent and made dates for speakers. She left the state many years ago; a sister, Mrs. Walter Larimore, still lives in the town named for her husband's father.

John R. Selby, brother of Mrs. Kate Selby Wilder, died suddenly in his California home last September.

August Hanson, husband of the vice-president of Fargo Scandinavian union, passed away in November after many years of illness.

Charles Washburn, husband of the president of Edgeley union, brother of Mrs. Belva Dunsdon and brother-in-law of Mrs. Lynea Washburn, all of whom are faithful members of that union, passed away recently.

Wilbur Hanson of Lisbon, husband of our Willard member from that place, and father-in-law of Mrs. Paul Hanson, president of Ransome-Lamoure district, passed away December 12, 1945, at the age of 83. He was interested in temperance all his life, belonging to the Good Templars as a young man, and was an honorary member of West Fairview union for a time.

Mrs. Annie Porter of Calvin is bereaved in the sudden passing in an auto accident January 4, of her son William E. Porter of Langdon, who was widely known and respected.

Capt. Kenneth Crawford, son of Mrs. W. D. Crawford of the Calvin union was killed in action last summer.

Others who have been called away in recent months, of whose passing we were not informed at the time, were Mrs. Lowell Anderson and Mrs. Louis Sondquist of the Fargo Scandinavian union; Miss Mathilda Berthuson of Grand Forks Frances Willard union; W. A. Frisbie, aged 96, who was the father-in-law of our state LTL Secretary; George L. Mateer, husband of the faithful director of Flower Mission and Relief for the Rock Lake union; and Rex Muir, husband of Mrs. Lila Muir of the Gilby union. To those who mourn the passing of all these loved ones, we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

## MONUMENT

In Temple Square in Salt Lake City is a monument to a bird, a seagull. A tablet on the monument shows a pioneer family of three in a field. How they had toiled there! But now the ground is dark with a horde of great crickets intent on devouring all before them. The weary man is downcast; the child looks on in wonderment; the tired mother stands erect, head up, watching the gulls coming to devour the crickets that are destroying the crop, the food for her family. In this crisis, she is the figure of dauntless courage. So today with the green fields of earth blackened by the repulsive enemies of humanity, liquor, immorality and war, can we not see the quiet, certain flight of the white wings of truth, bearing to us the help of the Lord against the mighty, coming to make the whole world more home-like?

—Louise J. Taft in White Ribbon Ensign

Of all the things you wear, your expression is the most important.

—Readers' Digest.

## Personal Mention

Mrs. Barbara H. Wylie went to Grand Forks in November to have a very brief visit with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Harold Wylie of Minneapolis, who was paying an official visit to the sorority of which she was a member while at the university. She also consulted her doctor. The first of the year, Harold Wylie came to Bowsmont to accompany his mother to Minneapolis, where she will spend the winter.

Mrs. Fred M. Wanner at this writing is still a patient at the Jamestown hospital, which she entered the last of November after a fall in her home which fractured the pelvic bone at the hip. We are not surprised that reports indicate that she is surrounded with flowers and has as many visitors as regulations permit, as well as lots of mail. We hope to report her convalescence next time.

Miss Eleanore Lundhagen, daughter of our state corresponding secretary, has had trouble with an infected finger recently, which kept her out of business college for a week or more.

Mrs. C. F. Truax of Minot spent six weeks in the west right after the executive meeting last fall; a cousin accompanied her home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Cross of Park River are in Fargo this winter, living at the home of the latter's sister, Miss Violette Verry, who is now general manager of the Rose Shops, and kept too busy for housekeeping by this work. Mrs. Cross is enjoying being able to attend meetings of the Fargo unions.

Mrs. O. J. Swanson, our Union Signal promoter, is rejoicing in having two sons home safe and well from the armed services, and a daughter and her family back in Grand Forks after two years in the east.

Mrs. Frank Hoare, Williston's publicity chairman, wrote to Attorney General Nels G. Johnson, commending him on his temperance principles and his stand on liquor law enforcement. "Go thou and do likewise!" Our officials get plenty of blame, and little praise.

Mrs. H. O. Hermanson, our director of Speech Contests, writes that her son Stanton is discharged from the army after more than three years of service, and was married in December to Ruth Lovell, granddaughter of Mrs. Margaret Rutherford of Gilby. Her daughter, Lt. Ada of the Army Nurse Corps is at home on terminal leave, and with a son-in-law recently discharged, they had their first family reunion, complete, for several years.

Mrs. G. A. Shelby, State Director of Soldiers and Sailors, writes from Dickinson that she is visiting there and helping care for her son's little three-year-old daughter, who has a very new baby brother. Congratulations to all concerned.

Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson writes that she greatly enjoyed the drive back to California last fall with her son and his wife, Dr. and Mrs. Howard Anderson, their son Cuyler and a friend of the family. It was fine to see again the Badlands, Yellowstone Park, and for the first time Teton Park and the wonderful Teton mountains. They also visited Boulder Dam, which she considers the greatest work of man that she has seen. Since their return to LaJolla, Calif., they have had the unwelcome news that they must move; places to live are difficult to find. Dr. Anderson had planned to build, but had to wait for materials.

Mrs. Edna F. Duguid, once state treasurer, writes cheerfully from Cando, as usual, that it was a hard, busy year for those not compelled to sit all the time as she is. Her husband put in the crop on four quarter sections alone, but was able to hire it

combined. She sent her annual Willard dues, subscription for the Union Signal and a donation for 'any state work,' as usual. Thank you, old friend! Take your pen in hand more often.

In spite of the cold, our state president, Mrs. Bessie M. Darling has been visiting the new unions organized last fall. She will tell us about it next time, we hope.

Mrs. Annie F. Catherwood writes with gratitude that her three Ford nephews who were in service are all discharged and at work again. She has secured a new member for the Park River union.

Mrs. Wilbur Hanson of Lisbon, who has been a Willard member for years, writes that she is very glad that a union has been organized there, so she is now a member of that, though perforce inactive.

## The Speaker and Her Speech

By AURELIA P. BURDGE

### A GOOD SPEAKER WILL BE:

1. **APPEARANCE CONSCIOUS:** Any woman who aspires to public speaking owes it to herself, her cause and her audience to be neatly and carefully dressed, willing to recognize modernisms in fashion, though retaining the right to her own likes and dislikes. A happy medium can always be reached. A graceful, natural posture must accompany careful grooming.
2. **VOICE CONSCIOUS:** Develop a clear, pleasant voice. Use it with natural unaffected ease. Equip it with faultless diction that never forgets every word has a head and a tail! Acquire it by reading and speaking aloud in constant practice.
3. **WORD CONSCIOUS:** Don't ever decorate your speech with a word, the meaning or pronunciation of which you are not quite sure. Make the dictionary your companion.
4. **TEXT CONSCIOUS:** Be sure of your statements. Remember, our opponents (and even our probable friends) listen with keen ears, ready to challenge the slightest misstatement. Besides, why make misstatements—the truth about the truth about the liquor traffic is vicious enough.
5. **CRITICISM CONSCIOUS:** We are pet subjects for universal criticism. Beat our critics to the draw by being so up to the minute with ourselves and our information that the only thing they can criticize is the difference of opinion we have with them on fundamental issues.

### WHEN MAKING THAT SPECIAL SPEECH:

1. Gather all available material; know your topic "inside out."
2. Sort over the material and select the real "meat."
3. Make an outline in clear, orderly sequence.
4. Go to work where you will be uninterrupted and talk—talk—talk your material from the outline.
5. Use a mirror for a constructively critical audience. Talk until you approve of the speaker and can tell her story well because you know it.
6. When the big moment comes, stand and face your audience; take a couple of deep breaths, smile and tell your story. You know it now, having given it so many times to that one-woman mirror audience.

If you never make a speech but attend meetings and merely second motions—remember to use your voice!

Nothing is worse at a meeting than a "whispering speaker."

REMEMBER: Any woman who can whisper a piece of gossip can speak loud enough to be heard in a hall!!!

GOOD LUCK

—White Ribbon News.

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## Directory

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## A Word to the Wise

Dear Friends All:

Our paper is not large enough to hold all the things that go in this time, so I must make this communication short. I find that I cannot put in the rest of the reports of last year's work, as I promised, for we need the space for the state directors' letters. Their explanation of the work needs to be read now, if we are to get as much done as we should do. News from the unions indicates that good work is being done; keep it up!

There is a little girl here in our home who comes to me daily with a plea of "Fits it!" as something goes wrong with some of her possessions. Frequently I justify her faith that I can

'fix it', but sometimes it is beyond my power to accomplish; the disaster is too great. I think of the conditions that young people must meet at present, and wonder how much we are doing to prevent wrecked lives; who of us can help them after dangerous habits are acquired? We cannot fix it then. Let us join wholeheartedly in helping our state directors to 'let the people know' the facts, for surely no people was ever being more falsely educated concerning liquor than those of the United States today.

Something like 35 years ago, Mrs. Lillie B. Smith of blessed memory led an LTL at Thompson, where she lived. In recent months I have met three women who were members of that little Legion; women whose families are grown now. Each of those three has kept her pledge all through the years, and taught her children total abstinence. There may be many more that I know nothing about, but if there are no more, was not the time Mrs. Smith gave to the LTL, well spent? Let us look ahead; what sort of parents will the children we know become, if no one tries to give them the truth?

Your friend,

Elizabeth C. Beasley.

## Attention!

Through an error which we deeply regret, the names of officers of Glover Union were not in the district directory published last issue. Here they are—cut these names out and paste them in the director. Glover—President, Mrs. Stanley Baska; secretary, Mrs. J. O. Olson; treasurer, Mrs. E. B. Dawkins, all addressed at Oakes, N. D., R. F. D.

## L. T. L.

In the fall of 1944 we reported an increase of 79 L. T. L. members. In September, 1945, we reported an increase of 24 over that of 1944. We have many more children who will be glad to receive L. T. L. training and pay the annual dues of 10 cents per child if folks will be willing to give a bit of their time to direct the children. The plan of work for this year, and the materials, are very interesting and the need for temperance teaching and living, never more vitally needed than today.

If the Friendship plan of L. T. L. work is used each woman can have some children for her "specials" and thus bring North Dakota nearer the top in her L. T. L. goal. We are asked to make a 20 per cent gain over last year. So far as Districts go, Grand Forks District reported the largest number of members, Fargo District second largest and Minot District third largest number.

Each Union has been sent five leaflets on L. T. L. work and more are to be had if requested. "Where as grown up men and women, will our boys and girls be found? Do we often ask this question as we see them playing around?"

Yours, Mrs. J. W. Frisbie, Secretary.

## Christian Citizenship

Dear Co-workers:

As I am writing this letter we are beginning the new calendar year of 1946, with its challenge and inspiration toward higher endeavor, and surely with much to be accomplished. By the time you read this, each union will have received a copy of the National Plan of Work, with its helpful paragraphed outline. However, this is not to be restrictive in its scope, as opportunities and interests as well as needs, vary in different localities.

Personally, I like the challenging appeal of the opening sentence of the Plan of Work, which reads "So built we the wall—for the people had a mind to work." Neh. 4:6. There are walls that could well be repaired, as we are suffering from the breaches and the deluge which followed. In a recent letter from our Acting National Director, Mrs. Olivia Davis, she called attention to the need and the importance of every Christian Citizen taking his opportunity to vote, in a prayerful and informed way. Statistics show room for improvement in this. She also reminded us of the significance of our vote as recorded in God's Word in Proverbs, which reads, "Righteousness exalteth a nation—and when the righteous are in authority the people rejoice." National righteousness is dependent on the votes of Christian people; if we take a positive stand for the cause of right, we are true to our responsibilities as voting citizens.

In conclusion, I would like to quote from the New Year's greeting of our National WCTU president, Mrs. Colvin, in the UNION SIGNAL for Dec. 29: "Let us pray earnestly that God may lead His people in the solution of the world's great problems, of which two of the greatest are war and drink.—May the new year come closer to helping establish the Rule of Christ in the life and work of the world."

Cordially yours,

Mrs. George Campbell, Director.

## Treasurer's Report

November 20, 1945—January 20, 1946

**DUES:** Powers Lake 3, Hannah 7, Fargo 30, Northwood 11, Reeder 14, Lisbon 32, Edinburg 16, Oberon 10, Minot 13, Bowesmont 20, West Fairview 11, Bismarck 12, Hunter 7, Mott 11, Monango 10, Fairdale 1, Grand Forks 3, Parshall 14, Stady-Zahl 8, Sawyer 13, Flasher 7, Larimore 24, Dickey 11, Bottineau 16, Williston 24, Calvin 23, Hatton 21, Nekoma 12, Sheldon 5, Gilby 18, Oakes 24, Park River 18, Grafton 16, Wildrose 7, Cavalier 28.

**WILLARD DUES:** Mrs. Harvey Hoff, Mrs. Geo. Gudmunson, Mrs. Mary Knudson, Mrs. Selmah Aamot, Mrs. D. M. Dunbar, all of Makoti. Mrs. W. F. Coombs, Anamoose; Mrs. Edna Duguid, Cando; Mrs. Eleanor Ripley, Fairmont; Mrs. Fred Barr, Fargo; Mrs. S. E. Simundson, McVillie.

**L. T. L.:** Lisbon 1, Flasher 14, Oakes 10.

**LUDGET:** Hannah \$7.00, Prosper \$25.00, Northwood \$32.00, Reeder \$14.00, Edinburg \$16.00, Oberon \$10.00, West Fairview \$11.60, Bismarck \$23.00, Plaza \$7.00, Edgeley \$35.00, Monango \$10.00, Grand Forks \$13.00, Fargo \$50.00, Parshall \$13.00, Stady-Zahl \$16.00, Sawyer \$10.00, Dickey \$11.00, Jamestown \$50.00, Bottineau \$13.00, Williston \$24.00, Calvin \$23.00, Nekoma \$14.00, Sheldon \$3.00, Gilby \$24.00, Grafton \$25.00, Cavalier \$28.00.

**DISTRICT PLEDGE:** Jamestown \$10.00.

**UNION SIGNAL SUBSCRIPTIONS** \$10.00.

**LILLIAN STEVENS LEGISLATIVE FUND:** Crosby \$3.60, Langdon \$2.00, Bismarck \$2.00, Alamo \$2.00, Oakes \$2.00.

**WILLARD MEMORIAL:** Langdon \$2.00, Oakes \$2.00.

**NARCOTIC EDUCATION:** Northwood \$25.00, Stady-Zahl \$10.00, Sawyer \$3.00, Dickey \$5.00, Williston \$16.00, Mrs. Duguid, Cando, \$5.00.

**MILE OF QUARTERS:** Grand Forks, \$2.00.

**CHINESE WAR ORPHANS:** Larimore \$8.48.

## Legislation

Dear Local Unions:

As you know there will be no regular session of the North Dakota Legislature this winter, but that is not a good reason for neglecting to keep up interest in the Department of Legislation. On the contrary, it gives us opportunity to study the need for laws and how they are brought about. I am mailing to every union in the state copies of the National WCTU Legislative Program for 1945-46, and a four page leaflet on "Organization and Functions of the United States Congress". Both these are worth much study and either would furnish material for a worth while program. Since the last mentioned is in the form of questions and answers it would make an interesting Quiz Program. Do study both these leaflets. If we would work this Department intelligently, we must know just what we want and the methods of securing it.

If you haven't yet written to our members in Congress concerning the measures before them in which we are especially interested do so very soon. Write to Congressman Charles Robertson and Wm. Lemke in care of the House Office Building and to Senators Wm. Langer and Milton Young in care of the Senate Office Building; both Washington, D. C., of course. The Bills now before Congress that we favor are House Resolution 752, the Pace Bill to keep alcohol, vice and gambling away from the camps; H. R. 2082, the Bryson Bill to stop entirely the manufacture and sale of beverage alcohol for the period of demobilization and H. R. 354, the Rees resolution to investigate part played by brewers in shortage of sugar. Write Mr. Robertson and Mr. Lemke about these three and write to Mr. Langer and Mr. Young about the following: Senate Bill 599, the Capper Bill, to keep all alcoholic beverage advertising out of interstate commerce; S. B. 6233; the Johnson bill, to stop alcoholic beverage advertising over the radio; S. B. 860, the O'Daniel bill to renew the safeguards of World War I against alcohol and vice for our men and women in the armed services, and S. B. 744, the Robertson Bill to prevent sale of alcoholic beverages on airplanes.

Since the National WCTU in its resolution took a definite stand against conscription of our youth in time of peace, you might mention that also to all the men you write.

A few of the unions reported to me last year; but I am hoping that every union will do some Legislative work this year and that all will keep an account of what they do and will report to me at least two weeks before our State Convention.

A few of the measures we worked for last year become law; but not a great deal along our special line was accomplished by the North Dakota Legislature. Let us not be weary in well doing; but become better informed and work harder to elect people on our side to State and National Legislatures, and to help them pass the beneficial laws we need to protect the youth of our Great State and Nation.

Loyally Yours,  
Kate S. Wilder, Director.

## NOONTIDE HOUR OF PRAYER

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

## Prayer for the New Year

Another year is dawning; dear Master let it be,  
In working or in waiting, another year with Thee.  
Another year of mercies, of faithfulness and grace;  
Another year of gladness in the shining of Thy face.  
Another year of progress, another year of praise;  
Another year of proving Thy presence all the days.  
Another year of service, of witness for Thy love;  
Another year of training for holier work above.  
Another year is dawning; dear Master let it be  
On earth or else in heaven another year for Thee.

—Frances Ridley Havergal.

## Child Welfare

Dear Co-workers:

A Happy New Year full of blessed work for our own children and those of all the world.

I wish to thank those unions who reported work done in Child Welfare for the last year, but hope there will be many more reporting next year.

Begin education of mothers as to the effects of alcohol by getting them to dedicate their little ones as White Ribbon Recruits and get the grandmothers (or mothers) to make the children Child Honorary Members by payment of \$5, which is credited to your local Narcotic Education fund if sent, as such, with name of child, to the State Treasurer.

Co-operate in any way possible, with your P. T. A., and offer any help to your teachers.

Yours, for the work, Mrs. Jessie A. Potter, Director.

## Flower Mission and Relief

Dear WCTU Members:

It is not too late, perhaps, to wish you all a Happy New Year. May 1946 be a blessed year for you, because of the many opportunities to work in His kingdom. The new motto of the National WCTU for this year is "Let the People Know". Few have any conception of the activities, and the fine work done by this department. Much has been done that is not included in the reports sent in, but even so our record is truly great and received generous praise from our National director. My sincere thanks to all unions who sent in reports of work done.

Outstanding feature of the report is the large number of visits to the sick, shut-ins and institutions, with flowers and delicacies; and also the astounding number of garments donated to the various clothing drives for war-torn countries. In this way the WCTU is doing much to lighten the burdens of many hearts, both here and abroad, and God's blessing is sure to rest upon it. Again I deeply regret that our paper comes out only bi-monthly, for the second National Clothing Collection for the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation administration will begin Jan. 7th, and continue through Jan. 31st, 1946. That time will be past before our paper reaches you, but I hope you will hear about it, for again members of the WCTU through the department of Flower Mission and Relief, are asked to help. As in the Collection last April, all of the work is done through representative community committees. "A new emphasis of this clothing collection is the sending of a hundred million letters with a hundred million garments, as friendly messengers of goodwill to our friends across the seas." The distribution of the clothing is to be world wide, including the Far East and the Philippines, where the people have lost all or most of their possessions because of the war. Many of these will appreciate and wish to answer a personal letter of friendship and good will. Many unions in the state and nation reported that participation in the first National Clothing Collection was one of the most

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## Authenticated Facts

"During Prohibition it took 2,500 Federal agents to enforce the laws against bootlegging. Since repeal it has taken 4,500 Federal agents to do the same job."—Connecticut State paper.

Well does "Aunt Het" say: "This talk about juvenile delinquency aggravates me. You might as well blame a pointer pup for being worthless when nobody ever tried to train him."

## FLOWER MISSION AND RELIEF

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important activities of the year. What could be more appropriate to launch our relief work for this year?

The new plan of work has been sent to each local and district president; please give it to your chairman of Flower Mission and Relief if you have one. If you do not have a chairman, I hope you will appoint one, as there is great need for this work now. I hope that by the time this reaches you, that you will all have studied the plan of work and the leaflet carefully, and have planned what you can and will do. Note also the questions for the annual report, which will give you several helpful suggestions; then keep books on what you do. You will notice that all money given for relief this year will go to the Herman Liu Orphanage in China, managed by Frances Willard Wang Liu, head of the WCTU in China. Their need is desperate right now, as word has come that a new famine has settled down on poor China. It is feared that 19 million will starve to death this winter, and from 5 to 7 million of these will be children. What great need, then, for this orphanage. Last year \$8,689.22 was contributed through this department by National for the support of the Herman Liu Orphanage in China, and \$542.89 was contributed for European and other relief.

Just after the first world war, the department of Flower Mission and Relief supported a number of French orphans through the McAll Mission in France. Some of those orphans are now McAll missionaries in French North Africa. The head of the mission, Pastor Chastand, is also head of the temperance work in France known as the Blue Cross, and the McAll Mission Stations are the Temperance Halls in their areas. Good used clothing is desperately needed by the McAll Mission, also quilts and bedding of all kinds. This, too, is a very worthy cause, excellent for international relations and good missionary work.

Some unions may be interested in making layettes for the Save the Children Federation, to be used for the babies of the Southern Mountain regions, which they have been serving for more than a decade. They have the task of securing at least 25,000 layettes per year. When it is known that the average family income there is less than \$300.00 per year; that a hundred thousand children can only attend school as clothing is furnished by some outside agency; that most babies are born without aid of a physician, there is nothing strange in lack of layettes. The needs of these people, because of depressive living conditions, presents a challenge for helpful cooperation, to the entire nation.

Anyone interested in any of these projects must follow directions given in Plan of Work. There is a fine article on Flower Mission and Relief by the National director, Mrs. Charles W. Peterson, in the Union Signal of Oct. 13, 1945, on page 5.

I am wondering if some of our women living near reservations would find it possible to work with some Indian groups. They have made a fine showing in the armed forces. It would be good Christian Citizenship if we could bring them into our active work in any of a number of ways. We are told always to work with minority groups, not for them. May we be inspired to greater activities for this year, in which America, above all others, is in a position to render effective service where needed, in this and other lands. Sincerely yours,

Mrs. C. E. Erickson, Director.

**LINCOLN:** The wets love to tell us that Lincoln was once a bartender. They lie. They base their statement on the evidence of a license issued to William F. Berry, in the name of Berry and Lincoln, to keep a tavern in the town of New Salem. But the license reads: "Ordered that William F. Barry in the name of Berry and Lincoln have license to keep a tavern....." Lincoln never did much at the tavern. He never stood behind its bar, nor before it. Almost immediately after the granting of the license, he sold out to Berry.

As a young man in Springfield he joined the Washington Temperance Society and became a leading advocate of total abstinence. He was a reformer noted for his antagonism to two great evils: booze and slavery. In 1863, he said to the Sons of Temperance: "When I was a young man..... I, in a humble way, made temperance speeches. And I think I may say to this day that I have never, by my example, belied what I then said."

—Christian Herald.

"Christianity has not been tried and found wanting; it has been found difficult and NOT tried."

—G. K. Chesterton

I have been driven many times to my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I had nowhere else to go. My own wisdom, and that of all about me, seemed insufficient for the day.  
—Abraham Lincoln.

Prohibition did not create lawlessness; it merely revealed it.

## Publicity

In the temperance movement, and particularly that of the W. C. T. U., we cannot afford to neglect the publicizing of the truths of the cause for which we are working. To do this effectively we must, each one of us, be clearly informed regarding these truths, the work that is being done, the reasons for it and how we can cooperate in carrying on this work.

The W. C. T. U. through the Union Signal, books and leaflets is giving us the necessary information and it depends on us to absorb it and pass it on to others.

The National Publicity Bureau asks us to concentrate this year on three things:

1. To publicize the facts of the alcohol problem.
2. To spread the news of the progress made by temperance forces.
3. To press for community, state, and nation-wide challenge of all liquor advertising, and support every effort to completely ban this sort of trade propaganda.

Recent statistics given by the Census Bureau state that in 1944 there were 24,282 fatalities caused by traffic accidents. The Bureau estimates a 20 per cent greater traffic toll in 1945, 29,000 killed and over a million injured. November's traffic death toll increased 40 per cent over a corresponding period in 1944, with 2,321 deaths. Of course not all of these deaths had alcohol as a factor but the majority of them unquestionably can be attributed to that. This is evidently the opinion of the National Safety Council as it offers two slogans for the new year: "If your liquor you feel, stay away from the wheel", and "Stop traffic tricks in '46."

I am sure all of us dislike the advertising of liquor that comes to us in many of our newspapers, magazines and in connection with so many of our radio programs. Are we diligent in voicing our objections to this? In his recent talk to the nation President Truman stressed the power of the people "back home". Let us use that power.

May I ask that during this year we will, by the various methods suggested in the literature which I sent to each union, aid in promoting and developing an effective publicity program in every community.

Nellie M. Cross, Director.

## Radio

Dear Co-workers:

It is time to "Let the People Know" that total abstinence is the best way for American Family Life. What better way can people learn of the effects of alcoholic liquors than through the medium of the radio? There is no better means of presenting total abstinence, as the radio is in almost every American home, and for that reason it is the duty of the WCTU to "Let the People Know". As the radio influences and moulds thoughts of American families today, so will be the character and behavior of American citizens of tomorrow. The American radio should recognize its responsibility for the future welfare of our country and of the world through youth. The WCTU must be alert to the kind of programs to which our children are listening; you can appoint an observation group in each union to report, and especially to know what alcoholic liquor advertising is coming over the radio. Write letters of protest to the broadcasting stations, always in a friendly attitude; then write letters in praise of the good programs. Leaflets will be sent to all unions. Please read carefully, and report to me anything you have done pertaining to radio.

Mrs. C. F. Truax, Director.

## THE DROUTH'S OVER

"The drouth's over," states the liquor industry. So far as we have observed and according to the reports on crime and delinquency, augmented by liquor, there has never been a drouth. A judge stated recently that beverage alcohol contributed to 90% of all cases which came into his court. A military officer testified that beer is more "dynamite" than the explosives they carry. It gives them more trouble than all the single or plural problems. To prevent confiscation of the beer, more guards are needed than on food, clothing, or radar equipment.

If this is the kind of Citizenry we are building for the Postwar Period, God Pity Us.

—Ohio Messenger.

"I'd rather lose my right hand than sign a document to perpetuate the liquor traffic."—Abraham Lincoln.

## Power of Public Opinion

"Public opinion is everything," said Abraham Lincoln. "With it, nothing can fail; without it, nothing can succeed; consequently, he who molds public opinion goes deeper than he who enacts statutes or pronounces decisions."

## Scientific Temperance Instruction

From her bed in Jamestown hospital, where she has been confined with a broken hip since the last of November, our ever faithful director, Mrs. Fred M. Wanner sends us the Plan of Work for her department and a few lines of her own, as much writing is forbidden her. Condensed some, the chief points of the National Plan of Work are:

Aim—"That every child shall understand what narcotics are and what narcotics do." Facts about nicotine in tobacco, as well as alcohol, must be made available.

1. Study facts, learn how to present them, promote study groups with local teacher as leader.

2. Entertain local teachers of public, private and parochial schools, early in the year. Entertain as attractively as possible; give a short playlet, or have a short talk, a strip film or motion picture. ("Smoking's Something to Think About." "That Boy Joe.") Give leaflets as souvenirs—"Annotated Reference List" and "Suggestions for Correlating the Study of Narcotics With Regular School Subjects."

3. Help safeguard school laws for Scientific Temperance Instruction; this can best be done by getting teachers interested in teaching these subjects.

4. Interest county and city school superintendents; if leaders are interested, teachers will be.

5. Study plans of work of other organized groups in the community. Encourage PTA to work their department of Narcotics Education.

6. As the theme for the National WCTU this year is "The American Home", plan family discussion groups on narcotics in which each member of the family may share. Discuss—never argue.

7. Begin to advertise the courses at Evanston, Ill., and Chataqua, N. Y. for 1946.

8. Analyze departments of WCTU and suggest to directors how facts of what narcotics are and what narcotics do, may be promoted. Many departments offer excellent channels for information. (Remember the making of posters in schools. Editor.)

Mrs. Wanner says—"I sent a copy of the plan of work and three other leaflets, with a brief letter, to each local and district president, since I have been in the hospital. I am alarmed at present social standards; young people often seem to think it necessary to adopt prevailing drinking customs. The average working man fears losing his job, and a large percentage of both youths and adults, especially those socially inclined, fear being unpopular more than they regard integrity of character. Many parents are accepting less responsibility for the conduct and welfare of their children. Examples set by adults, and increase in liquor advertising and propaganda have helped make juvenile delinquency an appalling problem.

Christians and the Church can have great influence in preventing the use of beer or other liquor socially. We must teach our young people by precept and example as well as by giving them authentic knowledge of what narcotics are and what narcotics do."

Mrs. Fred M. Wanner, Director.

## Social Morality

Dear Sisters:

Now that the holidays are past—we should have time to plan for the new year. Our plans this year center around the home, stressing family life and fun, parental guidance, home amusements. Families working and playing together can do a great deal to raise the standards of morals in our country.

Please study the "How Can We Help" part of the Plan of Work and each member or union choose one or more items to do and report. We want to know the number of people reviewing books, supervising play-grounds, criticizing movies, opening homes or churches for good times, going to Sunday school, and S. S. attendance contests, etc.

Jesus loved the children and must grieve to see them so exploited today by cheap movies and other commercialized amusements. To tell the truth—young people only need a place to make their own good times—so open up your home or the church parlors or find a club room and let them have clean fun with a purpose.

This is a matter for prayer and planning and action. Shall we do something about it?

In His name,  
Mrs. Phillip Stolberg, Director.

We are but little candles in a windblown flame,  
Against a bitter night;  
O, God of light and hope and love,  
Help us to keep alive.

## Speech Contests

Dear Co-workers,

In this another message to you, I wish to say I have thought of you often, although I have been unusually busy for some months, and more especially the past two.

Please read carefully the literature sent to each union, particularly the plan of work for this year. Note points for emphasis in 1946.

The work of this department was not too encouraging last year, however, we are thankful for what was done and trust many contests will be held this year.

Since God in His mercy has permitted the hostilities to cease, let us work as never before to further His kingdom on earth. "Commit they way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass." Psalm 37-5.

I am counting on your co-operation, dear Christian Workers.

Sincerely yours,  
Mrs. H. O. Hermanson, Director.

## Spiritual Life

Greetings in the name of our lovely Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The Christmas season has passed so recently and the song the angels sang so long ago echoes and re-echoes down the ages, "Peace on earth and good will to men". Let us carry the spirit of good will with us into the New Year and never forget what a blessing we have in Jesus as Saviour who came "to save the people from their sins."

The Department of Spiritual Life this year is stressing Bible reading in our Schools. Please read carefully the leaflets on the subject enclosed with the Plan of Work sent out to each Union.

I feel sure the moral let-down among adults and the delinquency among our juveniles has been due in great measure to lack of knowledge of the Bible and its teachings. How can any one know the contents of ANY book if they do not read it? It is so with the Bible which is THE BOOK. John 5:39, says, "Search the scriptures for in them ye think ye have eternal life and they are they which testify of Me." Our nation needs to return to the teachings of God's Word, the Bible. We read in II Chron., 7:14, this message: "If my people which are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and turn from their wicked way, then will I hear from Heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land".

The American Bible Society last year distributed over 12 million volumes of Scriptures which was 60 per cent more whole Bibles than any previous year in the 129 years of their work. Two million volumes went to the armed forces. We are all glad, I am sure, that people are reading the Bible, but what a pity we had to be plunged into a terrible war to get people to return to the Lord and read His Word.

As we dedicate our time this year to more intensive Bible reading and study of God's Word, let us also remember what the Bible says about prayer in Jer. 33:3, "Call unto Me and I will answer thee; and show thee great and mighty things that thou knowest not."

Yours for a fruitful year in the service of our Lord,  
Mrs. Andrew Hay, Director.

## Union Signal

Dear Co-workers:

I hope you are already making plans for Union Signal Day March 16, and that all the unions will meet their quotas of one sixth of the membership. Early in November I received notice from National that no new material would be available, and that we would use the plans sent you for 1944. I am sure I need not remind you that the Union Signal is your chief source of information, and also contains material for any type of program, as well as keeping you informed at all times on legislation and bills pending in congress.

Please do not overlook subscriptions to the Young Crusader at this time; after you have sent subscriptions to the children of your family and friends place copies in the public and school libraries also. I hope to have a good report from all unions.

Mrs. O. J. Swanson, Promoter.

"The Spirit clothed himself with Gideon,  
And Gideon was nothing—nothing in the fray,  
Except a suit of working clothes  
The Spirit wore that day."

## NOTICE

Please be sure to sign your name when sending news to the editor. We are delighted to have news of you all, but the letter must be signed.

—The Editors.

**MARCH**

Woman of the Month

**MARY BANNISTER WILLARD**

Program in Charge of Honorary Members

SONG: "America, the Beautiful," p. 2

WORSHIP: Mark 11:15-18

SOMETHING FOR NOTHING:

Is gambling allowed in our community?—presented by a lawyer

Slot machines—punch boards—lotteries—pari-mutual betting races—other kinds of gambling

DISCUSSION: How does gambling affect the family? To what standards should the church and school adhere in relation to raffles, bingo, and other games of chance? What can we do about it?

ACTIVITIES: Obtain subscriptions for The Union Signal from every officer, department director, and branch secretary. Urge members to subscribe for both The Union Signal and The Young Crusader. Appoint a committee to participate in National YTC Week. Appoint a committee to discuss the correlation of our Narcotics Education program in Daily Vacation Bible Schools and Summer Youth Conferences. Plan for April Membership Campaign Emphasis.

SOURCE MATERIALS: The Union Signal, February 9 (Gambling). February 16 (The Union Signal and The Young Crusader). Leaflets: "Know Why and How"; "An Easy Way to Invest in the Future."

**APRIL**

Woman of the Month

**FRANCES J. BARNES**

SONG: "Rise for the Day Is Passing," p. 29

WORSHIP: Proverbs 22:6

OFFICIAL PUBLICATION REVIEW: Ten Minute Review of

Youth Issue of The Union Signal.

SOLO: "A Charge to Keep I Have," p. 17

LET THE YOUNG PEOPLE KNOW: Three Minute Talk, by former YTC member or a young person

LET THE CHILDREN KNOW: Three Minute Talk, by former LTL member or a child

QUIZ: Trustees of the Future.

ACTIVITIES: Invite former YTC and LTL members (now adult) as special guests. Invite YTC and LTL secretaries to act as a reception committee, also to preside at tea tables. WCTU members personally entertain their Friendship LTL members. Make plans to organize a new Legion and a new Council. Appoint a committee to plan for May Missionary Tea. Secure names of women willing to plant Flower Mission and Relief gardens. Suggestions: Serve Tailored Ice Cream Soda. See Nonalcoholic Fruit Products Plan of Work.

SOURCE MATERIALS: The Union Signal, March 2 (Youth). Leaflets: "Let Young People Know"; "Let the Children Know"; "Trustees of the Future."

**Writers! Writers! Writers!**

If you expect to compete in the Ada Mohn-Landis Contest remember it closes Saturday, March 30, 1946, and send your manuscripts to reach National WCTU Headquarters, 1730 Chicago Avenue, Evanston, Illinois, by 5 o'clock on that date.

THEM THEME IS: The Family is the Foundation of a Nation. Does total abstinence from beverage alcohol (which is a narcotic) contribute to the strength and well-being of an individual, a family, a nation?

Write on any phase of the theme, but do not use it as your title. Choose a short title based on the theme.

In submitting manuscripts it is necessary to meet the requirements and follow the rules of the contest, so write National WCTU Headquarters, 1730 Chicago Avenue, Evanston, Illinois, for a Landis Contest folder. It is free for postage.

Two types of manuscripts are desired:

Senior—First prize \$40.00; second prize \$20.00.

Junior—First prize \$40.00; second prize \$20.00.

SUITABLE MANUSCRIPTS FOR WCTU SPEECH CONTEST BOOKS ARE DESIRED

**A GOOD LEADER WILL—**

Stand up straightly,

Speak out loudly,

Sit down quickly.

—Martin Luther.

Dr. Arthur Hunter, the noted Scotch actuary, states that the tables show that abstainers have a life expectancy 20 per cent above those who drink, on the average, one glass of beer a day.

**I RESOLVE**

Not only when the New Year footsteps sound

Upon the threshold of my door shall I

Make resolutions—every flaming dawn

Shall find me waiting earnestly to try

To live the glorious hours of one brief day

Simply and serenely at my best:

To serve if there be need for me to serve

To rest if there should be the need for rest.

And I shall always try to be sincere,

To search for truth and find it where I can.

I shall be charitable, knowing well

The good that lies within my fellowman.

I would be cheerful and I would be brave,

Beneath whatever load or chastening rod;

And, Oh these two things I shall try to keep—

A steadfast Faith, a child-like trust in God.

—Grace Noll Crowell in Virginia Call.

**ADVERTISING****SUGGESTIONS FOR THE LOCAL UNION****SPECIAL SUBSCRIPTION CAMPAIGN**

March 1—March 31

Plan a definite period for concerted action: to get new members to subscribe for THE UNION SIGNAL, giving each member the name of one or more members to ask personally for a subscription; to get THE UNION SIGNAL into the hands of influential people in the community—clergymen, teachers, professional men, club women, city officials; to place THE UNION SIGNAL in high school, college and public libraries, beauty and barber shops, physicians' offices and other waiting rooms. Solicit YOUNG CRUSADER (the children's magazine) and UNION SIGNAL subscriptions at the same time. Parents, educators, relatives and other friends of young children are all prospects. THE YOUNG CRUSADER should find a welcome in every reception room frequented by mothers and children. Stories, LTL programs, pictures and verse make THE YOUNG CRUSADER supremely valuable to the child.

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