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A Happy New Year

To leave the old with a burst of song,
To recall the right and forgive the wrong;
To recall the right and forgive the wrong;
To forget the thing that binds you fast
To the vain regrets of the year that's past;
To have the strength to let go your hold
Of the not worth while of the days grown old,
To dare go forth with a purpose true,
To the unknown task of the year that's new;
To help your brother along the road;
To add your gift to the world's good cheer,
Is to have and to give a Happy New Year.
—Robert Brewster Beattie.

The President's Letter

May we greet you in this, our first issue of the White Ribbon Bulletin in the new year of 1948, and our best wishes go out to you dear members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

The new year which lies before us is full of opportunities for special service. It is full of challenging entries for every one. These opportunities and duties are at our very door today.

Now is the accepted time, the present is within our grasp, it is the golden opportunity. Dear friends we cannot let it slip useless away. We must build every day on the aggregate whole of our tasks ahead.

This structure on which we are building, this task ahead, can only be done when we fortify ourselves through prayer with strength and guidance from on high. Did we "pray in" the new year this year? Did we realize the seriousness and importance of the new year ahead to the extent that it drew us to our knees on new year's day in fervent prayer and admonition to God? This year we should make use of the noon-tide prayer as never before. Without prayer we are useless in the face of a confused world, useless in carrying on our God-given work.

We shall ever be blessed if we live our lives in Thee.—Mary Jones.

The task that lies closest to our hearts in the W. C. T. U. is the work with our childhood and youth. This includes the training of teachers in narcotic education in our colleges; scientific temperance instruction in our high schools and grades; visual education which enriches the curriculum especially social studies far beyond their present possibilities; essay, poster, and speech contests on vital character building subjects for schools and churches; also child welfare.

The Loyal Temperance Legion is a twig of the W. C. T. U. tree. It is a splendid children's organization from the ages of six to twelve years. Find a leader who loves children, a young mother, or a teacher to lead this group, anyone who deeply loves childhood. Mrs. J. W. Frisbie of Casselton, our L. T. L. secretary writes, "I have had some good L. T. L. nibbles." Let us make them actual catches for her and have an L. T. L. locally.

The Youth Temperance Council which is a branch of our W. C. T. U. tree, offers a splendid opportunity to join young people interdenominationally into an organization which has a good time with a purpose. This would be an asset to your community.

We are going to organize new unions in 1948 and gain new members. A good foundation to our work is a good membership.

Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson, our honorary president, is now offering \$5 for our work for every local, district or state officer who organizes an L. T. L., a Y. G. C., or a W. C. T. U. in our state. Thank you, Mrs. Anderson, for your generosity. We know you will be happy when new organizations are reported.

"It is an adventure for God," as you stated in your letter, to organize such fine, Christian purposeful groups. Organization work is an investment of time which will pay dividends to posterity. Plan now to organize your children and youth in your town. There is organization material available. Let us know your needs.

We would be building; temples still undone
O'er crumbling walls their crosses scarcely lift;
Waiting till love can raise the broken stone,
And hearts creative bridge the human rift;
We would be building, Master let Thy plan
Reveal the life that God would give to man.

Growing Old

By Caroline Humphrey

"How does it feel to be old?" some youngster might ask;
"How does it feel to have finished life's task?"
I wouldn't know—would you?
How many decades is old—how many score?
When should be cease striving to grow and learn more?
I wouldn't know—would you?
Some fear old age with its lessening powers
As drearily filled with idle hours;
But I wouldn't know—would you?
Is there ever a time in your life or mine
When we should do nothing but sit and repine?
I wouldn't think so—would you?
Are there compensations for the marks the years make?
Do they give you something for the toll that they take?
I think they do—don't you?
Aren't wisdom and patience and friends, tried and true,
Gifts only years to give me and you?
I think they are—don't you?
If we use every talent God gives in His way,
He'll bless every effort and give us some play,
I feel sure—don't you?
This morning I heard my radio say
"Don't duck a birthday—it isn't fair play."
I agree—don't you?
So—How does it feel to be old? You may ask;
How does it feel to have finished one's task?
I wouldn't know; would you?

—White Ribbon Ensign, Calif. H.

As we go to press, we have just received the sad news of the passing of Mrs. Fred M. Wanner at Jamestown on Saturday, January 31. Mrs. Wanner was honorary president of the North Dakota WCTU. More extended notice will be in the next issue.

News Items

We are sorry to have to report that Howard Kennis, husband of our own state treasurer, Mrs. Howard Kennis of 725 Oak street, Fargo, was injured in a train wreck at Walden, North Dakota on Wednesday, January 14. Mr. Kennis received cuts and bruises and was brought by ambulance to St. Luke's hospital. His condition is reported satisfactory. Mr. Kennis is an express messenger for the Great Northern railway.

Fargo union took a silver offering for a "care" package at their christmas meeting at the home of Mrs. M. T. Steidl. The package was ordered sent to Frau Anna Fisher Herderstrasse 74, Bremen, the president of Germany WCTU. A box of clothing will also be sent to the same address.

In December, an anonymous giver sent a gift of \$50 to Evanston for fifty subscriptions to the Union Signal in North Dakota. The donor wrote, "I hope there were many more that would support this worthy cause and get your paper in many homes in our United States." The gift was a fifty dollar bill in a plain letter. Ten subscriptions were given to Grand Forks and the balance spread over the state. Thank you kind friend, for your generous gift.

Mrs. Bessie Beasley, our recording secretary and her husband, Mr. Frank Beasley, are spending part of the winter at Sedalia, Missouri. We are happy that they are living in warmer climate during this good old timer blizzard with sub-zero temperature at 15 degrees today.

Mrs. Iver Fossum, state vice president visited her daughter at Minneapolis in December.

Oh keep us building, Master, may our hands
never falter when the dream is in our hearts,
When to our ears there comes divine command
And all the pride of sinful will departs;
We build with Thee, O grant enduring worth
Until the heavenly Kingdom comes on earth.

Notes From The Unions

The Julia D. Nelson Union of Fargo made and presented a quilt to Miss Miller of the Lutheran Old People's Home, also took treats to the other old people there. The Christmas party was held at the home of Mrs. August Hanson, where gifts were exchanged. Rev. Franklin was the speaker and Mrs. Franklin told of the work the Scientific Temperance Instruction Dept. is doing in the schools of Fargo.

The Larimore Union observed the November Roll Call when ten new members were enrolled.

A chapter from the book "Some Notes on the Alcohol Problem" is being reviewed at each meeting by the various members. The Christmas story was the theme of the December meeting held at the home of Mrs. C. E. Aaker who served refreshments, assisted by Mrs. Lexie Hall, Miss Cora Nienas and Mrs. George Dryburg and an offering was taken for the Chinese orphans.

Work among children was renewed in the fall when four groups of Home L. T. L.s were organized. A party was held at the County hospital on New Year's Eve, Mrs. Aaker, local secretary, being hostess to 45 children who have signed the pledge and paid dues. Weekly meetings have been held, one group starting October 6 and continuing until the week before Christmas. Another group gave the play, "Bible Light on Temperance" at the January meeting of the W.C.T.U. held at the home of Mrs. Sheridan Arnold. It was decided to promote an essay contest in the schools from the sixth grade through the twelfth. We are indebted to Mrs. C. E. Aaker for this story of good work.

The November meeting of the Williston union was held at the home of Mrs. George Canfield, when the annual roll call was carried out. Mrs. C. S. Scharnberg conducted the devotional service, which was followed by a vocal solo, "Down From His Glory," by Mrs. Elmer Lein. The president, Mrs. Don Fish, conducted the business meeting, at which Mrs. Leslie Chase reported plans for the speech contest, to be held November 28. Rev. M. F. Gordon, evangelist at the Church of the Nazarene, was guest speaker. There were three visitors, and seven new members were added to the union, among those who paid their dues at the roll call. This active union is blessed in having the wives of six ministers, as members, with prospects of securing the seventh. They also have nine honorary members, with prospects of securing the seventh. They also have nine honorary members, all of which aids greatly in promoting the temperance work. They plan to entertain the district convention in the spring.

The December meeting of the Park River union was held at the home of the president, Mrs. Adams. Mrs. Rockne was in charge of the program, which featured the Christmas theme. A number of the beloved old Christmas hymns were sung, after which the husband of the program leader, Rev. Rockne, gave a fine talk on "The Significance of Christmas in the Christian Home." Mrs. O. J. Pederson, who had made a journey west, told some interesting things about her trip, mentioning a large billboard that she saw on the lawn of a Methodist church in Great Falls, Mont., which said that the only example a truly Christian father can give his sons, is one of Total Abstinence. The Christmas greeting which Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson had written and sent to Mrs. Catherwood, was read aloud and enjoyed by all. At the January meeting, the City Attorney of Park River, Miss Whitesides, gave a fine talk on "Safeguarding our Homes Through Legislation." She talked about the Capper Bill, voicing a fear that the "teeth" would be taken from it before it passed; spoke of the peace pact that was before the League of Nations, and what followed, saying the War came through the minds of men, and Peace would have to come through the same channels. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Charles Ramsey, and a good lunch was served.

The Julia D. Nelson union of Fargo gave their district president, Mrs. W. M. Franklin, a fine pantry shower at Christmas, which was greatly appreciated by the recipient. Mrs. Franklin sends this news of district plans, which I think very fine. Each of the local unions in her district, numbering five, has 'adopted' for cheer, one or more veterans at the Fargo Veterans Hospital. They asked the chaplain and head nurse for names of men whom they thought most in need of cheer, and each month send them cards, cookies, home-made candy or something of the sort.

The Minot union met in November for an evening in the Fireplace Room of the First Presbyterian church. The speaker of the evening was Dr. C. A. Hoffman, biologist of the Minot Teacher's College, who told about the course in Alcohol studies which he took in the summer, at Yale university. He said that these studies are under the direction of Dr. E. M. Jellink, who, with his associates, aims at 'discovering the truth about alcohol and its effects without entering into controversial aspects of the problem. Dr. Hoffman said that the 151 students among whom worked there last summer differed widely in outlook and aims.

One fourth of them were ministers, another fourth were 'recovered alcoholics.' In addition, the class included physicians, judges, police officers, a few high school and college instructors, one housewife and four men from the liquor business. Dr. Hoffman answered many questions from the audience, after his main address, all of which made a most interesting meeting. In December, the Minot union met at the home of Mrs. Truax, with Mrs. George Campbell as program leader. Mrs. Lester Zook led the devotions, and Mrs. J. H. Mackley sang a solo. Citizenship and legislation were discussed. Mrs. C. A. Zook and Mrs. C. A. Garvey were hostesses.

The officers of the Prosper union for the new year, who were elected in November, are Mrs. Albert Ackerson, pres., Mrs. Jalmer Helland, V. P., Mrs. C. W. Erickson, Sec., Mrs. C. A. Bowman, Treas.

Mrs. H. W. Cannon is acting president of the Hannah union while Mrs. F. W. Treleven is in Minnesota this winter.

Ransome-LaMoure District is sponsoring another poster and essay contest, which was to start Jan. 16, according to the district president, Mrs. L. H. Stewart.

Flasher is a Holdfast union, with five new members, budget paid, and their quota of the Narcotic Education Fund paid in full.

Personal Mention

Miss Mae Halcrow of Bowesmont accompanied her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Halcrow, as far as Minneapolis in December, when they went to Chicago for a Farm Bureau meeting. Miss Halcrow spent the time with her sister, Mrs. Barbara H. Wylie, and other relatives there. Our Barbara spent Christmas Day at the home of her son, Mr. Howard Wylie, and had a happy time, but says the home where she is, seems best in cold weather.

Our former state president and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Darling of Grand Forks, spent Christmas with their son and family at Baudette, Minn. Mrs. Darling has had considerable trouble with asthma this winter, and her doctor still insists upon rest. We hope she will soon feel better.

Mrs. C. F. Truax of Minot wrote happily in November of the return of a grandson from the West Indies, after two years spent there. At the same time she was preparing a box to send to her aged aunt in England, who will be 100 years of age in April. I think we would all like to send good wishes to this English lady, whose life has been so long and full. Mrs. Truax also wrote of the celebration of the 60th anniversary of her church, which her father helped build, of which she has been a member for 52 years. We congratulate the church!

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Farnsworth of Edgeley left December 1, to spend three months in Florida at the home of their daughter. Mrs. Farnsworth is treasurer of the local union and recording secretary of Ransome-Lamoure district. We wish them a pleasant winter.

Mrs. H. E. Mielke, our state president, spent Christmas at Rochester, Minn., with her daughter Ruth and husband at the home of her youngest daughter Jean and her family. She said that this first Christmas away from her own home in 32 years, was nevertheless a happy one.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Beasley of Fairdale left North Dakota shortly before Christmas, to spend some time at Sedalia, Mo., and other points south. They will follow the meadow larks home in the spring.

The national general officers in session December 4-6, voted to cancel the fifth national WCTU workshop which was to have been held at Evanston in April this year. The increased food costs and rising hotel rates prompted this decision. We are sorry as we had planned to send someone from North Dakota, for this instruction in organization. We hope there will be one next year.

We wish to remember especially Mrs. Lydia Wanner of Jamestown, N. Dak., who has been quite ill again. May God richly bless and strengthen her, also our dear Barbara H. Wylie of Minneapolis. We shall never forget their devotion and untiring service in our state WCTU.

The national P.T.A. has adopted a resolution in favor of legislation to prohibit the advertising of alcoholic beverages. In order to become effective, however, the resolution has to be adopted by a large majority of the local P.T.A. Many of us are P.T.A. members and are interested in this resolution and for its adoption by local organization.

Write your senators—

William Langer, Milton R. Young, to support Capper bill S. 265; Johnson bill S. 623.

Write your Representatives—

To support Pace Bil H. R. 142; Landis bill H. R. 73; Bryson amendment H. R. Res. 213. To oppose H. R. 4278.

"We Have Not Learned"

"In spite of all the lessons of history, we as a Nation have not learned," declared Floyd C. Carrier, educational director of California Temperance Federation, Inc., in addressing a Teachers' Institute held at Hollywood High School.

Immediately after the Pearl Harbor attack, a no-sale liquor ban was clamped upon the Hawaiian Islands. It lasted for seventy-seven days. During that period of time, the wet interests took over whole pages of the public press and advertised against the ban, for they were losing money.

"The Ministerial Union of Honolulu, in co-operation with civic, educational, and social groups, appointed a representative to take some counteracting advertising to the newspapers to show that the no-liquor sale ban was beneficial, for now all drunkenness had disappeared entirely from the streets of Honolulu and everyone was on the alert.

"A minister appointed by these groups presented the ad of that material being accepted as paid advertising, that minister vertising to the city editor of a large daily in Honolulu. Instead was investigated by F.B.I. and Military Intelligence, and told: 'That propaganda can not go into the public press.'

"In spite of all the lessons of history, we as a nation have not learned.

"Since 1901, there has been a law upon the statute books of our country known as the anti-canteen law. This law expressly declares that: no intoxicating beverage, including beer, shall be sold in any military establishment, post exchange, or aboard any ship of the United States Navy. The law was invoked during World War I by General Pershing and 3.2 beer was not obtainable in any Army or Navy canteen anywhere.

"No so, however, in World War II. Just before V-E Day in Europe, the United States Army was operating three breweries in the Mediterranean area at great expense, turning out 145,000 twelve-ounce bottles of beer a day for our boys in military service there.

"Just before V-J Day, the War Production Board granted priority to the American Can Company to manufacture a billion camouflaged cans to be filled with beer to be sent to our lads overseas.

"The studied effort on the part of the brewers to cultivate an appetite for drink among military personnel during World War II is a matter of record.

"In the Brewers Digest of May, 1941, under the title: 'Beer in Army Camps,' this statement was made:

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

"On the 13th of July, 1946, the Navy sent out a directive permitting the sale of hard liquor (as well as beer) in Navy canteens outside of the United States . . . this in spite of the anti-canteen law of 1901, which has never been revoked.

"In addition to the tremendous inroads made by the brewers and distillers during World War II among our military personnel, propaganda campaign was launched which covered the Nation like a blanket and tremendously affected the homes of America.

"Twenty-five years ago, out of every 20 alcoholics, one was a woman. In 1944, out of every six alcoholics in America, one was a woman. In the Yale Clinic that same year, out of every five alcoholics, one was a woman. In the Bellevue Hospital of New York, out of four alcoholics, one was a woman. And, in the Municipal Courts of Chicago, out of every three alcoholics, one was a woman. The latest figures released to us from Alcoholics Anonymous are to the effect that one out of every four alcoholics in America today is a woman.

"I repeat—in spite of all the lessons of history, we as a Nation have not learned."—National Voice.

Poem

We are all blind until we see
That in the human plan,
Nothing is worth the making
If it does not make the man.

Why build these cities glorious
If man unbuilded goes?
In vain we build the work unless
The builder also grows."

Write the Curtis Publishing Company that you commend them for refusing liquor advertisements in the "Saturday Evening Post," "The Ladies Home Journal," "The Country Gentleman," but deeply regret that they are permitted in the new "Holiday" magazine.

More than 4,000 magazines and newspapers currently refuse to accept alcoholic beverage advertisements.

—Mrs. Grace Leigh Calvin.

Dear White Ribboners:

The holiday season is past. It brought with it a great deal of joy and a measure of peace on earth. Now we are picking up the loose ends and starting some of those things which we had delegated to "after Christmas." May I talk to you of membership? This time, Fruitful unions. If you were Holdfast in November, you are ready to concentrate on gaining new members. We hope that your are Holdfast for then there are fewer gaps to fill before you can become Fruitful. Do you know that many more members were lost last year, because of failure to pay dues, than were lost by death and removal? By the way, there are a few days left to get those dues to Mrs. Kemis before MARCH FIRST. If North Dakota is to have a NET GAIN in membership (I'm confident she is) each union and each member must take some responsibility to help make this gain. A Fruitful union certificate will be given by National to each union reporting a NET GAIN by July first.

"Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord." Let us ask His guidance in this work, remembering we can do all things 'through Him Who strengthened us.'

February is the month of Frances E. Willard memorial. As you know, funds from this memorial are used to aid organization work, help further inter-racial work and pay for organization materials. Field service is also aided by this fund. Offerings are to go through the state treasurer.

Soon, we hope, the annual report will be ready to send out. It's price to you is but a fraction of it's cost. When you receive it please do not put it aside to KEEP. It is of value only if used. Let's enjoy it.

Do you know of any new L. T. L.'s? I do. Good for them and their leaders.

Wishing you each and all a very Good Happy New Year,
Sincerely Yours, Mrs. F. T. Brooks, Cor. Sec.

The Member "Ship" of the W.C.T.U.

There are ships that sail the ocean with rich merchandise in store;

There are ships that carry passengers to many a welcoming shore;

There are ships that seek adventure in the old lands and the new;

But the best ship is the Membership of the WCTU.

It is bound for that fair haven of land forever freed,
From King Alcohol's dominion, and the Liquor Traffic's greed;
For the port of Civic Righteousness and every mortal good—
Where Right is law and Law is right, in the Land of Brotherhood.

It is built of staunch Endeavor and of purpose strong as steel—
Love and Truth and Faith triumphant, welded into hull and keel.
Though not always smooth the sailing, though not always calm
the sea,

She rides the waves with never a doubt of her glorious destiny.

Many a ship sails many an ocean, seeking joy of gain—
But never a ship with holier mission sailed the relentless,
bounding main.

'Tis a pleasure ship, a treasure ship and a ship of service, too.
Ah, come aboard the Member "Ship of the WCTU.

—Annie Durham Methvin in Exchange.

DEATH COMES TO JOSEPHUS DANIELS

It is with deep regret that we record the passing Jan. 16, 1948, of the Hon. Josephus Daniels, Raleigh, N. C., at the age of 85. He was Secretary of the Navy during the First World War, was ambassador to Mexico for a time, was advisor of presidents from Grover Cleveland to Harry Truman, but always a newspaper man. Gov. Cherry of N. C. said of him: "In a life so active, he often encountered those with whom he disagreed, but opponents usually admitted that Josephus Daniels was always on the side of religion, morality and good government." He will be remembered as an ardent Democrat, and ardent Methodist, and as the man who removed liquor from the U. S. Navy.

ONE WHOM AMERICA LOVES

He was born in a log cabin.
His mother died when he was nine years old.
He wore the shabby clothing of poverty.
He ate the simple fare of the poor.
He had no education in the schools.
His library was the Bible and Pilgrim's Progress.
He split rails in winter snows for his bed and board.
He studied borrowed law-books and became a brilliant lawyer.

He defended the widows and the orphans.
He was the champion of Justice in Legislature and Congress.

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A Word to the Wise

Dear Friends All:

With this issue begins the fiftieth year of publication of the White Ribbon Bulletin. Many changes have come about, during those years, and the appearance of the paper has not changed, but it's still the official organ of the North Dakota

Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and "Not Willing That Any Should Perish." In the comparatively brief time since I became editor, I have thought very often of the years of service in that capacity that Mrs. R. M. Pollock gave to the work; just how many, I do not recall. Then Mrs. Barbara H. Wylie had charge of it for about fifteen years, and still keeps up her interest in it, by sending me things that I can use, and giving encouraging words, which help greatly. May it continue to be of use to all our women.

The landscape, that I look out upon as I write, looks more as I am accustomed to seeing in January than it did yesterday, for it snowed in the night and the weatherman predicts below zero temperatures for tomorrow, as the severe cold of Minnesota and the Dakotas comes down this way. So far the weather here at Sedalia, Mo., has been mostly very pleasant; except for a heavy sleet storm on New Year's Day, that wrecked wires and trees and contributed to the wrecking of a train, we have had no snow. Even when it comes, it doesn't stay long this far south. The beauty of that ice storm was breathtaking, when the sun came out afterward. Every twig, every blade of grass, sparkled so I thought of the saying, "Acres of Diamonds." There were two inches of solid ice over everything, and young people went skating up the middle of the road. I took some snapshots, but they cannot show the full beauty, of course.

I am finding out for myself, what living in a trailer house is like; my first experience. It is quite a nice one, with electric lights and gas heat, has three small rooms, which include bedroom, kitchen and living room. The bedroom has a roll-away bed, and the living room a studio couch; the kitchen has a gas stove, sink, refrigerator and work table, besides lots of small cupboards and drawers. The living room has folding chairs and table, and small side table and shelves. However, when it is time to dress or undress, I can understand what is meant by the saying that an apartment was so small that one had to go out in the yard to change one's mind. It is fun for a while, especially when the weather is nice enough so that we can be out of doors most of the daylight, and it has been good to be able to hang out washing without freezing. Probably we are to have some winter now; already it has frozen enough so that young people have gone skating on the lakes in some of the parks.

I want to thank all of you who have been so kind about sending material for this issue to me here; it all came in very promptly. I have not been able to get everything sent to the printer quite as early as I hoped, because of a spell of flu. I owe much to the kindness and care of the good neighbor in the next trailer house, who was most helpful during those 'aching' days.

We get a daily paper that is published here, and I am glad to see that it carries no liquor advertising. In some cases, at least, it tells what was really the cause, when a man is found dead—exposure, because intoxicated. I have watched its columns for notices of any WCTU meeting, but so far have not seen any. I have not learned whether or not there is a union here, but they need one. In such shopping as I have had to do, I have stuck to the policy of 'buying dry,' so passed up a drug store that advertised something for which I was searching, because it also sold liquor. I have not gone out much, so have not seen any cases of drunkenness as yet, but I have smelled liquor on the breath of some I met on the street.

I am more sorry than I can say, that the state reports have been so badly delayed. When I asked for bids, this particular printer said they could do it soon after our convention, and I was happy. I hurried the copy all I could, but when he signed the contract, he asked for 60 days in which to deliver the reports, I was disappointed, but thought that would not be so bad, as it would be the first week in December. That time went by, and I still had not had any proof to read; when I wrote them, it appeared that the proof had been missent, but it came to me then, and they promised to get it right out if I hurried the proof right back, which I did. They still could have been out before Christmas. But Jan. 12 our president wrote me that she called them, and they reported that the reports were only then being printed. I suppose we must be charitable, for we do have unavoidable delays ourselves, but since these books are so expensive this time, I wish we might have had them in time to make lots of use of them. Please wear them out, when you get them, by reading, re-reading, and using constantly! I hope the mistakes will not be too many in number.

Sometimes I feel very far away from you all, and letters from home are a wonderful treat. The people at church are pleasant and say "Good Morning" cordially enough, but the pastor is the only one of whom I know the name. The clerks in the stores are uniformly kind and courteous, always saying, "Come Back." I still have many letters to write, since Christmas, and perhaps eventually I will get them done. I hope that the weather man will be kind to all of you who plan for Willard Memorial meetings, and that soon the worst of the winter weather will have gone by. Our women always have to labor

Treasurer's Report

NOVEMBER 18, 1947 TO JANUARY 18, 1948

DUES: Edinburg 15, Tioga 13, Underwood 28, Sawyer 14, Grand Forks 19, Gilby 22, Hettinger 16, Bismarck 18, Ellendale 16, Northwood 12, Rock Lake 6, Napoleon 9, Fargo 54, Hannah 7, Hatton 21, Larimore 48, Edgeley 30, New Salem 1, Dickey 7, Flasher 9, Powers Lake 60, Bottineau 18, Monango 11, Park River 29, Parshall 20, Calvin 29, Williston 28, Prosper 22, Mott 4, Nekoma 13, Stady-zahl 11, Minot 4, Jamestown 29, Stanley 14, McKenzie 14, Bowsmont 8, Plaza 7, Grafton 13, Oakes 53, Hunter 22, Sheldon 6.

BUDGET: Edinburg \$11.00, Underwood \$28.00, Grand Forks \$13.00, Gilby \$23.00, Bismarck \$18.00, Ellendale \$19.00, Rock Lake \$8.00, Fargo \$54.00, Hannah \$7.00, Larimore \$43.00, Edgeley \$32.00, Dickey \$13.00, Flasher \$16.00, Park River \$29.00, Parshall \$15.00, Calvin \$29.00, Tower City \$8.00, Williston \$28.00, Prosper \$25.00, Nekoma \$14.00, Stady-Zahl \$11.00, Jamestown \$59.00, Bowsmont \$3.40, Northwood \$32.00, Fargo \$27.00, Hunter \$6.25; Shelton \$1.00, Tioga \$11.00.

WILLARD: Mrs. Edna F. Duguid, Cando, N. D.; Mrs. Mabel Jordre, Oberon, N. D.; Mrs. R. D. Reif, New Salem, N. D.; Mrs. W. F. Coombs, Anamoose, N. D.; Mrs. Augusta Slocum, Havre, Montana.

L. T. L. Sawyer 18, Hatton 70, Larimore 45.

NARCOTIC EDUCATION: Mrs. Edna Duguid \$2.00, Mrs. Mabel Jordre \$1.00, Grand Forks \$6.95, Fargo \$9.00, Stady-Zahl \$10.00, Edinburg \$6.00, Northwood \$25.00, Park River \$7.00, Parshall \$1.00, Williston \$11.00, Flasher \$13.00, Fargo \$15.20, Oakes \$6.00.

LITERATURE: \$29.82.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP: Mrs. Caroline Omlie of Grafton.

Honor Roll

Unions having paid budget in full before January first.

Calvin	Minot
Dickey	Nekoma
Crosby	Northwood
Edgeley	Parshall
Fargo (Julia D. Nelson Union)	Prosper
Flasher	Rock Lake
Gilby	Reeder
Grand Forks H	Park River
Hannah	Stady-Zahl
Jamestown	Tioga
Larimore	Tower City
	Underwood

Mrs. Howard Kemis.

Department Directors

STANDARD OF EFFICIENCY

Each director shall be a subscriber to the Union Sigurd. She will study current year's plan of work and adopt it to state needs.

Within the first four months of the fiscal year:

1. She will send clearly finished plan of work to White Ribbon Bulletin.
2. She will send a personal letter with new literature on her department to each union.
3. She will distribute not less than three current printed department helps to each union.
4. She will give the annual report of her department work in the state to the recording secretary at the state convention or mail it to her in time for the convention.

Each director who meets the above standards shall have her railroad fare paid to the state convention provided she remains for the entire business session.

THE "FATHER OF OUR COUNTRY" SPEAKS

"Drink is the source of all evil and the ruin of half the working men of the country." "My first wish is to see the whole world in peace, and the inhabitants of it as one band of brothers, striving who should contribute most to the Happiness of Mankind." — George Washington.

Let drink alone absolutely. He who drinks is deliberately disqualifying himself for advancement. Personally, I refuse to take such risks. I do not drink.—William Howard Taft.

under the handicap of roads and weather; how I wish North Dakota could get more gravel spread on the country roads that run from the farms to the highways, but that wouldn't keep the snow away, either. We just have to make up for inconveniences with more courage; our women have never lacked that! Eph. 6:23, 24.

Your friend, Elizabeth C. Beasley.

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

I know not by what methods rare,
But this I know, God answers prayer.
I know not when He sends the word
That tells us fervent prayer is heard.
I know it cometh soon or late,
Therefore, we need to pray and wait.
I know not if the blessings sought
Will come in just the guise I thought,
I leave my prayer with Him alone
Whose will is wiser than mine own.
—The Civic Bulletin.

What Great Men Believe

It is always interesting to know what great men believe. What they believe helps to make them the great men they are. It also gives them standing among their fellows.

Senator Arthur Capper of Kansas is an illustration of how true this is. He put the expression of his beliefs into an address in the poetic style quoted in the following stanzas:

"If I were asked what I believe, I could not help but say,
The gentle and the simple creeds of boyhood's yesterday;
The tender faith in Bible things, the truth, the way, the right,
The Golden Rule to live one's life according to the light;
And everywhere the thought of God, that we are everywhere
The children of our Father's love, and of his heavenly care.

"If I were asked what I believe, I know my thoughts would go
Back to a little child at prayer in the soft even-glow;
And I can think of nothing else so beautiful, so sweet,
As prayer beside a mother's knee who tried to lead our feet
In paths of righteousness and truth where none could go
astray
From that dear life in simple trust in childhood's yesterday.

"If I were asked what I believe, I'd have to say, as then,
A simpler faith in God's commands, a manlier trust 'mong
men;
A clear and more abiding course t'ward that which men
might call
The straight-out-from-the-shoulder faith of Peter and of Paul;
The teachings, most of all, that came to us in Sunday-school,
Way back in little childhood's land, the land of Golden
Rule." — From "Religious Telescope."

The U. N. O.

There is a Stranger in the council hall
Where nations meet to plan the peace again.
He sits unnoticed by the further wall,
His eyes upon the leaders among men.
His ears attend their clearly laid designs
For living in tomorrow's homes and marts,
As though beneath their spoken words and lines
He hears the inner voices of their hearts.
But when the delegates of all the world
Have cried their million wants, and lists are long,
And after blueprints, charts, and plans are hurled
In varied protest at the core of wrong,
He is our hope; He is the peace we seek,
O listen world, and let the Stranger speak!

LINCOLN'S CHALLENGE TO YOU

On the last day of Abraham Lincoln's life, he said: "We have cleared up a colossal job. Slavery is abolished. After reconstruction the next great question will be the overthrow and suppression of the legalized liquor traffic." That night the bullet of an assassin sent him into eternal silence. But you are alive!

DYNAMIC APPEAL OF "AMERICA'S UNCROWNED QUEEN"

"It will be like dynamite under the saloon if, just where he is, the minister will begin active work against it; if, just where he is, the teacher will instruct his pupils; if, just where he is, the voter will dedicate his ballot to this movement, and so on through the shining ranks of the great powers that make for righteousness, from father and mother to kindergarten toddler, if each will this day do what he can, just where he is!"
—Frances E. Willard.

Keep your face always toward the sunshine and the shadows will fall behind you.

Legislation

January is the month for legislative duties in our programs. You have received the plan of work and have your reference material.

This department touches on every avenue of work in our organization. We have had effective legislation both in state and nation on laws governing alcoholic beverages; narcotic drugs, gambling, international relations with reference to conscription and reduction of armaments, motion pictures, social hygiene, welfare of women and children and on international questions.

We as members of the WCTU in our state are aware of our duties as American citizens realizing our individual responsibility relative to the laws that are on our statute books, particularly those which vitally have bearing on the welfare of our communities and homes.

Here are a few searching questions:

Are we as familiar with our local laws and do we know the lawmakers governing our community?

Do we know our enforcement officers and whether the laws are enforced?

Do we know the members on our schoolboard who elect the teachers who have a great influence on our children and youth?

Do we know our teachers and are we promoting a correlated, scientific alcohol education program in our schools?

Do we know the laws of our state, governing temperance and the instruction of same in our schools?

Congress is now in session at Washington. Send in individual letters and signed petitions to your senators urging the passage of the Capper Bill S. 265 and that you do not want an abbreviated substitute which will allow brewers to go on with their "Home Life in America" series in our publication. Also write urging the Johnson Bill S 623. Both bills, when passed, will do away with liquor advertising over the radio and in our magazines and dailies.

The passage of these bills is vital because the temptation to use alcoholic drinks has been greatly multiplied through the extensive advertising by the liquor people.

Why liquor corporations in our fair country should have the unrestricted freedom to advertise a pernicious drug which is injurious to health and demoralizing to society is beyond comprehension.

Write your congressman that you oppose H. R. 4278 which provides for universal military training that would allow our boys to be herded into camps unprotected from beer and vice.

Write your congressman you favor: H. R. 142, The Pace bill which takes beer out of the camps and alcohol, prostitution and gambling away from their vicinity.

H. R. 73, The Landis Bill, calling on the president to appeal through U. N. for the international abolition of conscription.

H. R. Res. 213, Bryson Amendment, to prohibit the manufacture, sale, transportation and possession of beverages containing more than one half of one per cent alcohol by volume.

Act now on these bills. Every member should write letters Unions and churches send petitions. The above bills may come up before congress any day.

Mrs. H. E. Mielke, Legislative Director.

Annual State Report

We are very sorry that the printing of the state annual report has been unavoidably delayed at the publishers, but we are happy to report to you that it will soon be sent out to the unions. You may be sure you will receive some immediately after we get them from the publishers. They will be 50c a copy to help with the cost of printing.

OBSERVE FRANCES E. WILLARD DAY IN FEBRUARY

The Willard Memorial Fund was inaugurated at the National WCTU Convention, held in St. Paul, Minnesota, November 15, 1898, the first convention after the death of Miss Willard.

Every year on February 17 all local unions are asked to take a special offering of two dollars or more; the entire offering to be sent through the proper channels to the National WCTU. These gifts are applied to the Willard Memorial Fund.

This fund covers specifically the outlay required for developing organizations and bringing in members, in the various states where such aid is needed; it helps to further the interracial work of the WCTU; it provides for printing the National WCTU Handbook, the YTC and LTL Manuals, the current Membership Plan, and the Willard Memorial Fund promotional materials. Expenses for Field Service, including that portion of the field worker's salary not covered by the state which employs her, also are met from this fund, as are the expenses of the National WCTU Organization Worship.

Send in a donation to this important fund.

Department Letters

CHILD WELFARE

Dear Co-workers:

Now that so many of us have finished our job of raising our families, and our children are busy with their little ones, let us 'keep a weather-eye out' for anything that we can do to make straight the way for those who follow after.

The theme for 1948 is "Safeguarding our Homes, the Bulwark of the Community," and Mrs. Ethel Bliss Baker, National Director of this department, gives us some good suggestions. I hope soon to send each union the complete Plan of Work and some material, but here are a few things to be doing: Enlist tiny tots as White Ribbon Recruits and young mothers as WCTU members. Encourage your union to make layettes for needy babies. Use the Union Signal and Young Crusader. May God bless you in all your efforts, and I shall hope for many splendid reports.

Yours for service,
Mrs. Jessie A. Potter, Director.

FLOWER MISSION AND RELIEF

Because the need for necessities of life continues to be so urgent in a great portion of the world, the Department of Flower Mission and Relief will continue to stress relief projects this year.

The Victory Nursery and the Herman Liu Orphanage, both sponsored by the W. C. T. U. of China need desperately all the funds we can send. Food and clothing for children and underwear, not new but clean, warm and in good condition is needed for China. We are offering an award to the Union that raises the most money for the work of Mrs. Liu in China. (Clothing may be sent to her at 66 Woo Kiang Rd., Shanghai, China.) She has requested 1000 afghans, single bed size.

Mrs. Induk Pakh of Korea who is in charge of relief work there has requested 1000 afghans, single bed size, also clothing for children, men and women, including men's wool socks, warm underwear, shoes in good condition, sweaters, thread, scissors, pins needles, thimbles, gloves, soap, stationery, dried food in tins, hard candy in tins, tea, cocoa, powdered eggs, milk and cereal. Weight limit is 70 pounds. Packages may be sent to Mrs. H. H. Underwood, Dept. of Ed. U. S. A. M G I K, APO/PM., San Francisco, Calif.

Germany is in need of the same articles as those listed above. However only 22 pounds may be sent in each package. Send to Frau Anna Klara Fischer, Herderstrasse 74, Bremen, Germany. Inquire at your local post-office for dimensions and mailing instructions.

May we not forget to honor our founder by placing bouquets of flowers in churches in her memory. Let us remember also that June is the month in which we take flowers to the sick, elderly persons and shut-ins.

Grace R. Higgins,
Director.

INSTITUTES

Dear Co-workers:

Greetings to you in this New Year, and I would remind you that it is now time to be making plans for our Local Institutes. Spring will soon be with us—will the offices meet and study the program material being sent to each local president? This is your own work shop! As our National Director tells us, "The purpose of the Institute is to inform all members of the history and accomplishments of our organization and to acquaint them with the various departments; to develop leadership in the WCTU for total abstinence, prohibition, higher moral standards in our nation and the promotion of better international relations for peace."

If it is not possible to hold an Institute, try a Neighborhood Institute in a home and invite your neighbors; in this way you can "Let Your Neighbors Know." These Neighborhood Institutes have proved of great value in creating an interest in the WCTU and in the winning of new members. Please report to me about your institute, what was accomplished, gain in new members, and other things. Present at least five departments; let us keep in mind that we want a good report this fall.

Sincerely yours in the work,
Mrs. C. F. Truax, Director.

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION

Dear White Ribboners of North Dakota:

By the time you read this, every president of our group in this state will have received a letter from me and also three pamphlets telling them of National plans and giving national information about the Scientific Temperance Instruction Department. Please read the letter and pamphlets carefully, tell your local unions about the work, and then do your best to interest teachers in this work. We, as W. C. T. U. members are generally not qualified to go into the schools ourselves with

this work. But we can interest teachers by showing them samples of our material for teaching temperance in the public schools. You may ask, "Where can I secure those samples?" Each local union should purchase material that they want to use for this, from our National Publishing House, or from Mrs. Brooks, our corresponding secretary (National) to send samples free of all this material. The cost would be tremendous to them if every local union were to ask it. So look over the Annotated reference list that has been sent to each local president, decide what you want for samples, and order them. Then when the samples come, show them to the school superintendent, or principal, or a teacher; also show the Annotated reference list for their information. Better yet, when you order your samples also order several of the Annotated reference lists to be given to the teachers. Then, if possible, get the school authorities to pick the things they would like to use and order them. Now as to finances, find out if your school boards have not allotted a certain sum for Temperance material. If so perhaps they will pay for the material themselves. If not, perhaps each W. C. T. U. member would give something herself, or would be responsible for getting something from business men, for many of them feel that the hope of prohibition and temperance is the teaching of the children.

If you have other questions to ask write me personally and tell me your local situation. I will try to help you.

Fargo schools have gladly received the material our two unions here have been responsible for. Every child from first grade through high school in the public schools here will receive something from our W. C. T. U. during North Dakota's Temperance emphasis week, Jan. 19 to 23. And also we have furnished three pamphlets and a blotter each for the 250 enrolled at Oak Grove Seminary here.

May our work in 1948 be very effective in the S. T. I. Department.

God bless you,
Mrs. W. M. Franklin, Director.

SPIRITUAL LIFE

Dear Co-workers:

Greetings in the Name of our lovely Lord Jesus.

I feel as I have said before that the Spiritual Life Department is the vital part of our organization. We are prayer partners and we know "more things are wrought by prayer than the world dreams of." No doubt each praying member knows what a power prayer can be.

I hope each union will have a Spiritual Life Director and work this Department this year. I feel sure each union has some form of devotions at each meeting and that is a part of this department. Why not have a few more parts and make a report? Nothing is too small to report. Wouldn't it be grand if we could have a spiritual life report from each union in the state? I am praying definitely for this and I am asking each member to pray with me. Concentrate on this at the noontide prayer time. Do not attempt too many points and fall down on all but specialize in a few and do them well; but by all means report what you do.

When you receive the Plan of Work please compare it with this letter. Note "a" and "b" part of devotions and the prayer cards. Please try it. Part "d" can be used by all families. "Worship Programs" can be studied profitably and a Devotional program for each meeting can be outlined to follow one given in Union Signal. Do endeavor to have a GOOD devotional program at each meeting. Resolve to be a tither for the Lord and give a definite part of the tenth to our WCFU work. Get some Spiritual Life literature from the National WCTU Publishing House and distribute among members.

Finally let each WCTU member be a committee of ONE to pray definitely for our WCTU work in ALL its phases and do our part to stamp out this awful liquor evil.

Wishing each member God's best in 1948,

Mrs. Andrew Hay, Director.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS

Dear Women of the WCTU:

Living for others is Life's fullness; living for self is poverty and nakedness. Despite the fact that the war years are behind us, the program of rehabilitation and hospitalization is a stupendous one. We dare not fold our hands or rest on our oars, if we are to "Safeguard our Nation." The enemy is ever alert and gets his wedge of evil in the smallest crevice. Our committees are needed even more than in past years, and please choose competent chairmen for the four important committees: Social, Calling, Hospitalization, Overseas. Study the Plan of Work, which gives the duties of these committees.

Send local news items, cheery bits of news of the home town to the boys and girls overseas, in camp, or perhaps hospitalized away from home. Send them WCTU literature selected from the catalog of the National WCTU Publishing House, Evan-

ston, Ill. Our national director of this department suggests a pocket prayer book and devotional guide compiled by Bishop Cushman; it is a lovely small book with lots of good material in it. I get a real uplift as I read from it.

Visit hospitalized veterans if possible; send cards and gifts. Make laprobes for wheel chair patients; make washable scuffs; make sunshine bags. Send them valentines; make scrap books for them and put a little humor in them, too. Visit our Gold Star mothers, if possible. Visit homes where boys and girls are at present in the service of our country; see if there might be a need. Above all, pray earnestly for them. And do not forget to pray for our chaplains; they need to have wisdom from on high to cope with the evils of this day.

Contact, if possible, homes whose loved ones remains are being shipped back for burial here at home. Let the folks know of your sympathy, and your desire to help and comfort them in their sorrow. All this takes time, but it will be time well spent. Working for our service men and women is a work of love and pleasure. "Remember the dead by honoring the living," is a good slogan.

I should like to have a report from every union this year. May God richly bless you as we work and pray together.

Mrs. J. H. Mackley, Director.

UNION SIGNAL

Dear WCTU Workers:

We must work, for "Faith without works, is dead." Workers need tools to work with, and good tools mean better work. Our Official Publication, The Union Signal, is a splendid tool for us to use; we should all take and read it. It costs but 2c per copy and contains reliable information in regard to legislation and bills pending in Congress. It tells us what is being done in other states and countries as well as our own, dealing with the alcohol problem.

There are good articles written by enthusiastic temperance workers, which are inspiring. The Union Signal is worthy of the support of every one of us and a must for all active members. Our goal is one for every six members; we should and can, do better than that.

We must not neglect getting subscribers for the Young Crusader; it contains clean, character-building stories for thing better for 50c as a present for a child. We should buy anything better for 50s as a present for a child. We should get it into as many homes as possible, as well as into libraries and schools. "The child of today is the leader of tomorrow."

Please observe Union Signal Day which comes in March. Obtain all the subscriptions you can then and during the year. I hope for a good report next fall, from all the unions; let us work for it.

Mrs. Thomas F. Jonas, Promoter.

The Rooster

A discouraged young woman once asked a minister if he thought the Lord could use her . . . or other unaccomplished folks in His service. The preacher answered: "The Lord bless you, yes. Don't you know He used an old rooster to convict Peter?" The girl was greatly helped and quit comparing herself to others, and began counting on her crowing, plus the ALMIGHTY. She soon discovered that that old rooster knew and practiced the rule for success. Here are the points or the process of success as practiced by the old and the new fashioned rooster: (1) He is up and on the job very early in the morning—often while it is still dark. He isn't afraid to lead the procession, and he doesn't care for the criticism of his enemies or just sleepy folks. (2) He stays on the job until it is finished. He is persistent. (3) He dares to do the thing that is criticized, but never complimented. Whoever heard anyone say, "Hasn't that rooster a beautiful voice? Isn't he charming?" Whoever endorsed a rooster? There are no compliments for crowing. (4) He dares to awaken his family . . . and all the neighbors . . . at times a risky, but needed, business. (5) He is just as loud in the backyard as on the front porch. It's where the sleepy flock is that counts. He has a message for sleepy hens and folks. He declares in no uncertain way that it is time to get up, for a new day has arrived, and with it new responsibilities and opportunities. The hours for rest have passed. (6) He is a first-class advertiser, for, when each of the Mrs. Hens of his flock does her part in contributing something to the welfare of the world . . . furnishing nourishing food . . . HE CROWS. And he doesn't do it in the dark either, but when the entire neighborhood can hear.

WHAT IS NEEDED IS DRY ROOSTERS, or ROOSTERS FOR THE DRY! My friend, don't you ever again sit down and say, "What's the use?" Remember the faithful rooster. Get up and get on the job. Arm yourself with the facts on this question, and they are all on our side. Be persistent! Don't give up! Know what you want, and then go after it, and keep on keepin' on. God still lives!—National Voice.

Advertize Booze—Truthfully

O. S. ELLIS

In The South Bend (Ind) Tribune

I have been interested in the campaign to abolish the advertising of alcoholic beverages in newspapers and magazines and by radio. I would like to say to the dregs that it might be well to continue to advertise booze for a while; and I'd like to have the privilege of preparing the advertising. I would not speak or write of the rich, smooth, mellow, satisfying, golden goodness, etc., of the product of the Looze mills. I would not draw pictures of fine, up-standing, ruddy-faced men and beautiful women with bottles and glasses.

I would say to the boozemakers, "These are not your product." I would try to make my advertising conform to the high standards of truthful advertising required by the pure food and drugs laws. I would advertise quite largely by pictures. I would show the mutilated figure of that man of my acquaintance who, angered by being repeatedly fined for drunkenness, went home, took his shotgun and blew off the top of his head. I would show that car on the highway with two boys and a girl in it, dead, and the other girl staggering away for help—too late. I would make the picture show the booze bottle found in the car.

I would show that man I saw staggering around a tree on a dimly lighted street, expressing himself indecently, and talking quite loudly about his relations with vile women. I would show a club with a great group of revelers with a plentiful supply of booze in a dimly lighted room, then a sudden burst of flames, then blackened ruins with 500 mangled, burned, distorted bodies. I would show exactly the same kind of set-up that I and the man with me saw in the booze room of one of Indiana's most prominent hotels. Not that we were in it, for we had more sense than to be in such a place but we saw it by the light dimly showing in from the street. I would show the blackened hulk of a great hotel, with six score bodies in and about it, and others, mangled, waiting for the ambulance. And in this picture I would show clearly the booze bottles scattered about by the dozen.

I would show the junkpiles along the highway, with their dead and injured, the result of someone having had a "couple of beers" or having "taken a few drinks."

I wouldn't lack for material for advertising, for all I would need to do is to go to any daily newspaper and find the accounts of murders, broken homes, attacks, and all the other crimes in the category. And under these pictures of death I would write, "Do you want to go into eternity the way these went?" And I would add, "These things are what booze does." Is there any reason why booze should not be truthfully advertised?

He became president of a dying nation.

He healed the wounds and saved the Union.

He struck the shackles from four million slaves.

His Second Inaugural is the most remarkable address ever delivered by a ruler of any nation.

His Gettysburg speech is the most wonderful oration of its length ever spoken by the lips of man.

He loved God. He loved his Country. He loved little children.

He loved his enemies and now their children love him.

He defended the weak, lifted the fallen, pardoned the guilty.

He held God's hand through the darkest night and walked with Him until the morning.

And so he lived, this wonderful man; the loftiest patriot; the kindest soul; the gentlest, saddest, firmest, wisest ruler

And when he had loved much and suffered greatly, he gave that ever saved a nation.

his life for his country.

He died for Justice. He died for Liberty. He died for us.

And this nation he lived for and died for is Ours, and in God's name we will keep Our Own.

And now we love him; ah, how we love him—Our Hero—Our Beloved Abraham Lincoln.—Young Men's News.

A BOY'S HANDICAP

The little boy wrote that he had no chance like Lincoln. For Lincoln had so much more than he, and he enumerated:

"It's no wonder.

Look what he had to make him great:

He had that log cabin,

He had that pine knot,

He had those rails to split;

He had that plug hat,

He had all those stories,

He had that Douglas debate,

He had that Civil War to win,

He had that Gettysburg speech,

He had everything

He had everything

To make a man great.

And look what I have got—

Not one of those things"—Ex.

OTHERS

Lord help me live from day to day
In such a self-forgetful way
That even when I kneel to pray,
My prayer shall be for—OTHERS.

Help me in all the work I do
To ever be sincere and true
And know that all I'd do for you,
Must needs be done for—OTHERS.

Let "Self" be crucified and slain
And buried deep: and all in vain
May efforts be to rise again,
Unless to love for—OTHERS.

And when my work on earth is done
And my new work in heaven's begun
May I forget the crown I've won,
While thinking still of—OTHERS.

Others, Lord, yes, others
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That I might live like Thee.

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