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WHO MAKES A GARDEN

"Whoever makes a garden Has, oh, so many friends!—
The glory of the morning,
The dusk when daylight ends,
The wind, and rain, and sunshine, And dew, and fertile sod-And dew, and return som
For he who makes a garden
Works hand and hand with God."

—Md. White Ribbon Herald. Author not given.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

The sun is bright, the air is clear, The darting swallows soar and sing, And from the stately elms I hear The bluebird prophesying Spring.

Dear Co-workers.

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Spring is coming and the glorious Easter with its assurance that "He who believeth in Me shall never die," is close at hand. The Earth is the Lord's. The tomb is empty. Several of you have asked for my poem, "The Open Tomb," which I wrote at Jesus' tomb early one morning when we held a service in Jerusalem last July 5th, 1953. Here it is:

THE OPEN TOMB

Sunrise service at the open tomb!
Soft and gentle breezes stir the air
With fragrance sweet of rosemary and pine,
Hearts are warm with gratitude and prayer.

Thru these city gates they led you, Lord, Bearing on your back, the heavy Cross, And you bore it for our sins, dear Lord, Counting not the sacrifice or loss.

Lovliest sacred place in all the world, Many a thorny path to reach this goal, Down a stony road you trod, dear Lord, Thank you for the saving of my soul.

Our Lord rose from the dead, here at this place! He rose, and gone is all the strain and strife; O, Master, may we serve Thee to the end; We would inherit Thine eternal life. -Ruth Ottinger.

We have until June 15 to send in the names of our new members. Has each one won one? We hope so. If not, you still have time to write that friend you have been planning to ask. Be sure to have a pledge card in your purse and send it and her dollar to your local treasurer right away.

As Spring approaches, an inspiration should come to us to suggest a town to your district president where we might help her start a new union. The other day my neighbor and I secured seven new members in one afternoon. We think that this will form a nucleus for a new union so we did not count it in our membership here. Let us strive for at least one new union in each district, and it can be done with a little extra effort on the part of each one of us. Let your district officers know that you are willing to assist in any way you can. Perhaps you drive a car or can meet strangers easily. Then offer to go with your district president to call. It is really fun when two or more go. We have noticed this. The one being interviewed finds it harder to say "No" to two visitors, than to one. As Spring approaches, an inspiration should come to us to

one being interviewed finds it harder to say two to two visitors, than to one.

Our Y. T. C. road sign will soon be finished and ready to grace the highway. We are getting anxious. You, who drive on No. 10, be on the lookout for it. The money was raised by our girls and boys who know that society keeps creating criminals at a fearsome rate. The sign reads, "Don't let alcohol wreck your life," and in the center is a finger pointing.

Have you a temperance bookshelf in your library, college or high school? Every union can and should attend to this. The book, "Where Prayer and Purpose Meet," by Mrs. Helen

JUNETIME MUSIC

Tune your fiddles, crickets!
Wind, bring your kettle drums;
Every bird, your songbook;
Bees, your drowsy hums.
Streams, add merry laughter; Flowers, wave batons You must furnish music
The moment Junetime dawns! -Bertha Reynolds Hudelson in Dew Drops.

Tyler, is very fine. In memory of a departed member (Mrs. Jay Gibson), our W. C. T. U. recently placed a book in the high school.

October 6 to 8 is the tentative date for our state conven-October 6 to 8 is the tentative date for our state convention in Grand Forks. The district conventions are now being planned. April and May will be very busy months. Tomorrow night at the Stewart country school, we will give a talk on W. C. T. U. work and show our colored slides of the Holy Land. The offering received will go to the Y. T. C. to help pay for the road sign.

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Here is an excerpt from a diary written in 1885. "A man was killed last night on the tracks near here. He had gotten drunk in town and started to walk home on the railroad ties when a train came along and ran him down. The law requires an order to buy strychnine, yet whiskey kills ten thousand, where strychnine does one." Just think for a moment of that statement made 69 years ago and recorded. in a woman's diary. Then think of conditions as they are today.

Mr. Fred D. L. Squires of the National W. C. T. U. Research Council, has the figures and comparative expenditures for gambling, crime, meat, etc., but the single item, alcoholic beverage consumption and the billions it takes from the pockets of the people annually, is perhaps more serious than all the rest, because the poison of its devastating narcotic effects is steadily breeding crime, promoting accidents and destroying the fruits of welfare, education and religion wherever they find their way. Was it not Jesus himself who said, "He that would know of the doctrine must do the will of his Father." How far, therefore, do we know the terrific truth of our present day problem? Knowing our problem, are we doing our part to achieve an alcohol-free America? Are you not glad that you know on which side will fall "the stubborn ounces of your weight"?

Blessings,

Blessings.

Ruth Ottinger.

I SEE MY MOTHER

By William L. Stidger, in The Christian Advocate Whath I see my mother washing pans
With stains of dark on her white hands.
She bakes brown bread and cleans the floors And does the humble little chores Which made our home so clean and neat And makes her memory so sweet.

I see my mother washing clothes; She hangs them out in fluttering rows—Stockings, dresses, shirts and pants. That memory enthralls, enchants
My soul as I look back along the way To that far, dim and distant day.

see my mother darning socks While rhythmically she sits and rocks Before wood fire burning high Sending its smoke into the sky; And, as she rocks and darns, she croons Such tender, lovely little tunes.

And they come back in manhood's years Through all the mist of human tears; Through all the mist of number lears, Come back to lift and bless and light This soul of mine to some far height. But, best of all was Mother's way Of teaching this poor heart to pray.

Notes From The Unions

A Frances Willard silver tea was given by the union in the World War Memorial Hall at Granville February 25th. It was well attended and a program preceding the tea consisted of these numbers: "America," sung by the congregation; devotions by Rev. Palmer Aarnes; answering of roll call with sayings of Frances Willard; two numbers, "This Is My Father's World" and "The Two Paths," sung by the high school Mixed Quartette; readings by Mrs. Halftan Jacobson and Mrs. Ed Brown; a talk on the life of Frances Willard by Mrs. Palmer Aarnes. The WCTU chorus, composed of 12 members, sang "Have Courage, My Boy, To Say No" and "Frances Willard, We Will March," to close the program.

program. The Frances Willard union of Grand Forks met February 26 at the home of Mrs. Alfred Rude with Mrs. R. Dahl assisting hostess, for the Willard Memorial program. The members of their sister union were invited to be guests; Mrs. George Muir, district president, spoke on Frances Willard in a most interesting manner, telling about her childhood and youth. Mrs. Bessie M. Darling was also called upon to make a few remarks. Mrs. J. Frette led devotions, and Mrs. S. Enstad favored us with two vocal solos, accompanied by Mrs. R. Lunseth. Mrs. H. O. Hermanson, the local president, conducted the meeting. On March 26th this active union met in the United Lutheran church, where the winning entries in the essay and poster contests for rural schools were featured. Mrs. Ruth Kenall, parish worker in the hostess church, gave a talk; Miles Carlson sang two numbers, accompanied by Mrs. Miles Carlson. The winning essays were read; they were written by Emma Stastad, Mekinock; Loretta McCauley, Menifield; Wayne Gregoire, Allendale School No. 1. Honor-Menifield; Wayne Gregoire, Allendale School No. 1. Honorable Mention went to Sharon Rustebakke, Niagara; Janet Swenson, Washington 69. The topic was "How the Drinking of Alcoholic Beverages Affects the Home." The poster contest emphasized the theme "The Harmful Effects of Tobacco." Winners were Larry Griffith, Mekinock; Don Peterson and Karen Zyllo, Avon 100, and Howard Rethemeier, Mekinock. Duckworth School No. 4 received special recognition for a poster-essay booklet. Judges were Mrs. Nellie Heath, Mrs. T. Tryhus and Miss Elsie Hehr. Mrs. C. M. Carlson directs this department, and is ably assisted by the County Superintendent of Schools, Miss Florence Rasmussen. Prizes were this department, and is ably assisted by the County Superintendent of Schools, Miss Florence Rasmussen. Prizes were awarded to all winners. A movie on the Passion Story was also shown. Mrs. Josephine Raff of St. Paul, a sister of Mrs. V. A. Sheppard, gave a short talk. Mrs. Raff has been a state officer of the Minnesota WCTU for many years, and is a good speaker. There was a good attendance; refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. M. B. Berthueson, Mrs. H. Berthueson, Mrs. Freeman Brenna Mrs. Chester Mrs. H. Berthueson, Mrs. Freeman Brenna, Mrs. Chester Lorman and Miss Clara Hallick. We are glad to have the

The Frances Willard Union of Arthur met at the home of Mrs. J. A. Burgum February 12. Roll call was answered with quotations from Frances Willard's writings. Mrs. Carl Lako who read scripture and offered prayer. The North With quotations from Frances Willard's writings. Mrs. Carl Lako who read scripture and offered prayer. The North Dakota Teacher's Guide on Alcohol and Narcotic Education was reviewed by Mrs. Rollo Winings. Congratulations were sent to State Superintendent M. F. Peterson and the State Department of Public Instruction for this excellent book for teacher guidance. Plans were made for a meeting in the spring at the new Methodist church in Arthur, when it is spring at the state precident Mrs. A D. Ottinger, will come and hoped the state president, Mrs. A. D. Ottinger, will come and speak. The Frances Willard Memorial offering was given for the little magazine "El Lazo Blanco," printed in Spanish for our Spanish speaking Americans in the southwestern states. The hostess and Mrs. Peltier served a dainty lunch.

story of these two good meetings sent in by Mrs. R. Lunseth.

The Langdon group of WCTU workers reports another successful poster contest with 36 participating from both the Langdon Public School and the St. Alphonsus School. In the fifth and sixth grade division first prize of \$2.00 was awarded to Leonard Schnitzler of St. Alphonsus School. The second prize of \$1.00 went to Betty Ann King of Langdon Public School, and third prize of 75c to Norman Martineau of St. Alphonsus; honorable mention went to Candace Larson of the Langdon Public School. Winners from the seventh and eighth grade division were, first prize of \$2.00 to Lillian Martineau of St. Alphonsus School, second prize of \$1.00 to Margery Franta of Langdon Public School, third prize of 75c to Barbara Knudson of Langdon Public School. The winning posters were displayed in the show window of the Republican office and the other 30 entries were on display in other windows of the business places of Langdon. fifth and sixth grade division first prize of \$2.00 was awarded of the business places of Langdon.

Temperance designs for coloring by small children were placed with the school children for their use and previously various types of materials were sent to schools within the county .

A silver tea was held at the Presbyterian Church on St. Patrick's Day and entertainment provided. Many women

of Langdon assisted in this venture.

Meetings have been held every month under the direction of Mrs. Roy Denler, president; Mrs. A. C. Mukomela, secretary, and Ila McDonald, treasurer. An efficiency certificate was received by the union for having completed the required specifications and the sending in of all dues timely. Sent in by Mrs. Maisel, secretary.

The following program was presented by the local Woman's Christian Temperance Union in the school gymnasium at Mott Tuesday evening, March 30, with the Rev. Mrs. Inez

Lacy, program chairman: Invocation, Mrs. Lacy; vocal solo, Darrell Fiedler, accompanist Mrs. Wm. Amundsen; vocal duet, Mrs. LaMoin Mehrer and Mrs. Amundson, accompanist Mrs. Edwin Hummel; Temperance Address, The Rev. Mr. L. W. Schauer; vocal duet, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hummel, accompanist Mrs. Edwin Hummel; WCTU film, "Any Boy, U. S. A.;" Offering; Benedic-

tion, Rev. Schauer.

The WCTU wishes to thank Rev. Schauer for his excellent address, those who furnished the lovely musical selec-

tions, and the many other who helped. Submitted by Hazel Jacobsen.

Members of the Gilby WCTU were present at the high Members of the Gilby WCTU were present at the high school when the students gave a program in observation of Temperance Day, in January. They held a demonstration, mostly taken from the new Course of Study for the schools, different ones conducting each experiment, in which egg whites, meat, bread, etc., were used. They staged a "radio interview" of prominent coaches of sports, such as Alonzo Stagg. The ones taking part were in another room, speaking over the loud speaker system; the different "coaches" gave their opinions regarding the use of alcohol. Then they held a forum presided over by a doctor, a teacher and a judge, who answered the questions of various students regarding the harm in the use of alcoholic liquors. Mrs. George S. the harm in the use of alcoholic liquors. Mrs. George S.

the harm in the use of alcoholic liquors. Mrs. George S. Muir gave a talk, speaking on a questionnaire for high school students, which asked the age at which they took their first drink, why, and what it was. Students and teachers alike found the talk and program interesting and valuable.

The Minot union met at the home of Mrs. Paul Sorenson in January, with Mrs. F. T. Brooks in charge of devotions. Mrs. C. A. Zook, who was spending the winter in Chicago, was there visiting, and told about meetings of a Chicago union that she had attended. In February, the Frances Willard tea was held at the home of Mrs. George Campbell. Devotions were led by Mrs. C. O. Carlson, and the answers to roll call were quotations from the sayings of Frances Willard. All spent an enjoyable afternoon.

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IN MEMORIAM

At the end of the road
There is a gate to gardens fair; A place of rest and quietness, With sunshine everywhere. Where hearts at last are free from pain And sorrow's crushing load. Where loved ones wait in peace for us, At the end of the road

-Grace Holmes. The Valley City union has lost two of its new members by death recently. Mrs. Jay Gibson passed away March 10th, and Mrs. John Krug died March 22nd. Both ladies had been the work by their membership.

Mrs. George E. Dike of Grafton was Called Home March 22, after many years of semi-invalidism. For some months she has been bedfast. Mrs. Dike, who was born Jennie Barclay at Minto, July 18, 1888, was first a member of the WCTU there, where her mother was an active worker. Movement of the state of the state of the bushend and abildren in 1017, she ing to Fairdale with her husband and children in 1917, she transferred her membership there when a union was organized, and joined again at Grafton when they went there to

live in 1947. She is survived by her husband, two sons, four daughters, three brothers and 19 grandchildren.

Mrs. Margaret A. Rutherford, a member of the Gilby union for many years, and a Life Member of the N. D. WCTU since 1925, died April 19, 1954, at a Minneapolis hospital where she had been a patient for some time. She was 85 years of age, and had lived in the Gilby neighborhood since 1880. She was always helpful in the church, Sunday School and Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, as well as the WCTU. Her husband, Chris C. Rutherford, to whom she was married in 1885, preceded her in death in 1912. She is survived by three daughters, 11 grandchildren and 22 greatgrandchildren.

Our women extend their sympathy to all who sorrow for these Promoted loved ones.

Personal Mention

Mrs. C. A. Zook writes that she expects to be back in Minot in May, after a winter in Chicago, and asks to have her White Ribbon Bulletin sent there again.

Mrs. T. H. Ferber of Oakes writes that she gets about the house in a wheel chair, and is able to do quite a lot of things in that way. We hope that when the warm weather comes on, she will improve faster.

Mrs. William Raymond, who is an active member of the Williston union spends her winters at New Port Richey.

Williston union, spends her winters at New Port Richey, Fla., and attends the meetings of the union there. In February it was her privilege, with several other women, to attend a Frances Willard tea at Clearwater, Fla., at which our loved Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin was the guest speaker. The Clearwater union is fortunate, since Dr. and Mrs. Colvin have purchased a home there.

Our State Historian, Mrs. Charles Liessman, had the misfortune to slip on the basement steps some weeks ago,

misfortune to slip on the basement steps some weeks ago, and spent several sleepless days and nights thereafter. We hope she is all well again. Note her letter in this issue.

Mrs. J. G. Stewart of Nekoma is spending some time with friends at Lancaster, Pa., where she reports the spring flowers are in bloom. She expects to return in time to see her granddaughter, Sally Stewart, graduate as valedictorian of her class at the Langdon high school.

Mrs. Howard Kemis of Fargo, our state treasurer, wrote that she had taken her tests for a driver's license and passed

that she had taken her tests for a driver's license and passed successfully. She is now visiting in Texas, at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Campbell. She

stopped to see her brother at Oklahoma City on the way.

Mrs. J. H. Mackley of Minot, our director of Soldiers and Sailors, has enjoyed a stay at Whittier, Calif., this winter. Her sun-in-law, Laurence McKenna, is director of the adult choir at the First Friends Church of Whittier, and ye editor was the pleased recipient of a program of a Festival of Sacred Music held by the choirs of the different churches of that city March 7th. Our Mary Mackley helped sing. Wouldn't it have been a treat to have heard those eight choirs who sang that day, give their separate numbers, and the massed chorus in "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"? We can imagine how much she enjoyed it all.

Mrs. Olaf Bakke of New England was our representative at the Workshop held in Evanston, Ill., early in April, of which we are very glad. Mrs. H. E. Mileke reports that the enrollment this year was the largest since the workshop was

inaugurated.

A number of our WCTU women from Gilby were pictured in the Grand Forks Herald of March 14, as they completed the quilting of an heirloom coverlet which belongs to Mrs. Flossie Reiton of Grand Forks. WCTU members pictured who helped with the skillful stitching were Mrs. D. Douglass, who supervised, Mrs. George Wilcox, Mrs. Josephine Dickson and Mrs. George Muir. They were a part of a group of 15 or more women who had spent most of the winter working on this coverlet, which was pieced in 1863, and is still in perfect condition.

Our state president, Mrs. A. D. Ottinger, with her husband, made a visit to Drayton in late February and spoke band, made a visit to Drayton in late February and spoke in the fine Methodist church there which was built in 1905 while her father, Rev. H. P. Cooper, was the pastor. The Drayton union arranged for the Willard tea which was the occasion for which she spoke; Dr. Ottinger showed the colored slides taken on her trip to the Holy Land, and she told the story, also speaking for the work. The Drayton folks enjoyed the talks, and the Ottingers enjoyed the meeting of the many friends there new and old. Among these were John Holgrow.

friends there new and old. Among these were John Halcrow, Miss Mae Halcrow and Mrs. J. M. Shingler, from Bowesmont.

A letter received not long ago from our Honorary President, Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson, says that she is feeling better than she did, and hopes to be free from the lumbago which has bothered her so much, when the surny spring days come. It was a treat to receive a letter written in her own hand, as that proves that she is better; her dictated in her own hand, as that proves that she is better; her dictated letters, gladly written by her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Howard Anderson, have kept us informed about her. We hope her 93rd birthday, April 27th, will be an especially happy day. Our women will be interested in knowing that Erling Rolfsrud's next book, a group of short biographies of various North Dakota people, which will be off the press this spring, will include a short sketch of Elizabeth Preston Anderson's life. The title of the book will be "Arsenic and Biscuits." Watch for it

Mrs. Jessamine S. Burgum writes interestingly of the work of their small union at Arthur, which is very active. Mrs. Burgum is one of the very few of our women who met our great leader, Frances Willard, in person. When Miss Willard and Miss Gordon came to Bismarck in the eighties, on a tour of visits to all the states, little Jessamine Slaughter, eight years old, joined the LTL. Several years later, her parents spent a winter in Washington, D. C., and the young girl met Miss Willard again; she considered her her "ideal of a gifted, consecrated lady." It is not surprising that Mrs. Burgum has insisted that the Arthur organization be called the Frances Willard union, that she has given books about Miss Willard to the school library, and that she is eager to have her teachings given wider distribution. She is interested in the little paper, "El Lazo Blanco," published for Spanish-speaking Americans in the southwestern states, which is financed in part, at least, from the Willard Memorial Fund. Her son, who teaches in a Texas college, meets many of these Spanish-speaking Americans. She is looking forward to the meetings they expect to have in their nice new church, which will be dedicated in June; a public meeting or WCTU Institute, with the state president there to give a talk, is planned for.

DISTRICT CONVENTION

Bismarck District

The 55th annual convention of Bismarck District was held at Steele, April 6, 1954, with the president, Mrs. R. A. Salter, in charge. Opening with the hymn, "Where He Leads Me I Will Follow," and prayer, a devotional period was conducted by Rev. Bengston of the Methodist church. Mrs. Knowles of Bismarck led the flag salutes; Mrs. Zech, vice president of the Steele union extended a most gracious welcome and Mrs. Cash of Bismarck responded. Marlene Haiberk of Steele high school (avoyed with a vocal solo accompany). beck of Steele high school favored with a vocal solo, accompanied by Elmyra Peterson. Reports from the unions showed all working and doing worthwhile things, though not all were represented at the meeting. It was voted to make this a Light Line District; the president requested all unions to emphasize observance of the noontide prayer time.

The Memorial service was conducted by Mrs. Charles

Liessman of Bismarck during which the names of Miss Elizabeth Wiesenborgen, Mrs. Morgan and Mr. F. E. McCurdy, all of Bismarck, were honored. Mrs. Bengston offered the noontide prayer, and lunch was served in the church dining

The afternoon session opened with hymn "Under His Wings;" Mrs. Bengston led devotions and Mrs. Ryder led in prayer. The state president, Mrs. A. D. Ottinger, was made prayer. The state president, Mrs. A. D. Ottinger, was made an honorary member of the convention. Mrs. Cash showed material available for use, including posters and jingles. Mrs. Liessman made a plea for dating all historical records. The Steele high school furnished some fine music, including a saxaphone duet, "Onward Christian Soldiers," by Avis and Sharon Albright; a girls' quartette, composed of Dorinne Merkel, Anne Kalianoff, Beverly Bergstad and Mildred Johnson sang "In the Garden" and "Beneath the Cross of Jesus." Elmyra Peterson was accompanist. Mrs. Erickson gave a talk about the Rehabilitation Center and the work of Mr. Bernard about the Rehabilitation Center and the work of Mr. Bernard Larson, who said his greatest work is with high school students. Rev. Bengtson spoke; his talk was most inspirational. The Peterson sisters played a piano duet. Mrs. Ottinger gave an address, with information about the amount spen, for liquor compared with education and other things; she showed the booklet "Alcohol At the Wheel," which we are asked to give to high school graduates this spring. A white ribbon recruit service was held, for which Mrs. Bengston offered prayer for the children, Mrs. Salter tied the ribbons, and Mrs. Ryder presented flowers to each mother. The children were Lois Ann Bengston, aged 4; Anita Peterson, 4; Marilyn Jensen, 3; Charette Barta, 4; Gary Hild, 3; Robert Aruseil, 3; and Loris Knapp, 5.

Officers elected were Mrs. R. A. Salter, president; Mrs. Larson, who said his greatest work is with high school stu-

Officers elected were Mrs. R. A. Salter, president; Mrs. Cash, vice president; Mrs. Gus Sjoholm, treasurer; and Mrs. Bengston, secretary. Resolutions were read and adopted, and it was voted to put a note of appreciation in the Steele high school paper, for the music furnished by the pupils. A note of thanks was sent to Mr. Stock for his cooperation. the meeting adjourned, a short social time was held, while the

Steele union served coffee for the visitors.

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A Word To The Wise

Dear Friends All:

According to the calendar, it has been spring for a month, but right here there is little that proves it. I have a spray of pussy willows, but there is very little green grass in sight, it snowed and blew hard three days ago, and grey skies with a chilly east wind make it seem far from warm today. Yet we know that "Never yet was a springtime when the buds forgot to blow," so it will get warm, probably by the time you read this.

It was a pleasure to receive a fat envelope not long ago from Mrs. J. H. Mackley, who has spent some time in California. She sent programs, literature and papers that proved that she has been going places and doing helpful things there, as well as acquiring more valuable information. Thank you, Mary Mackley! Indeed, thanks are due to many this time, who have sent news of their activities; we are glad indeed

to hear from you.

A lady from Texas has sent us copies of posters made by high school students, which are very good; they are large enough to be seen easily, and give good messages. Each of the five she sent have panel discussion material with them; they are concerned with the Social Drink, Traffic Safety, they are concerned with the Social Drink, Traffic Safety, Alcoholism, Advertising, and Government License. The posters can be obtained for 25c apiece and the panel discussion material is 2c for each. They would provoke comment and thought, wherever displayed. The lady who wrote about them is Mrs. Ruth Godbey, president of the Houston district WCTU; the material can be obtained if desired from 301 East 24th St., Houston, Texas. Have the students in your school make posters this year? Will any be made in Vacation Bible Schools near you? This job of helping people to know the truth can be promoted in many, many ways, if we are alert to our opportunities. North Dakota teenagers can surely make impressive posters too!

surely make impressive posters too!

Let us not forget that the Bryson Bill (H. R. 1227) is still alive, but is buried in committee. We must continue to work alive, but is buried in committee. We must continue to work to get it brought out. Our representatives at Congress are glad to hear from the folks back home. Will you write to them—Hon. Usher L. Burdick and Hon. Otto Krueger, both addressed at the House Office Building, Washington, D. C.—and urge them to use their influence to get this bill a hearing and favorable report? Do it now. We must send many, many letters and petitions, if we are to get any action. Miss Flizabeth Smart cannot do our part of the job: we must show Elizabeth Smart cannot do our part of the job; we must show interest and concern for ourselves. Letters are not a waste

of time, effort and postage; they do have influence.
Our state president, Mrs. Ottinger, is making many visits to different places, to push our work, to entertain and educate, and in some cases to organize, about which we are all happy. Our prayers go with her. Almost every community has some problems which elimination of liquor might help to solve; if more people become total abstainers, the solution comes nearer. The report some months ago that Pueblo Indians in New Mexico—one tribe at least—had refused to permit sale of liquor on their reservation after the law was changed so as to allow it, was heartening. Unfortunately all of our Indians do not take that stand, and reports from mission stations tell of increased problems, with legal sale of liquor to their people.

Have you told your pastor about the call for temperance

sermons, and manuscripts of the same, for which prizes are offered by the National WCTU? An article about it is in this issue. If you have not mentioned it yet, tell him about it now.

Notice in Mrs. Brooks' letter, that the booklet "Alcohol At the Wheel" is available, on NCF if you have paid yours in full, and it is hoped that each 1954 high school graduate at least, will be given a copy. An interesting article in the Grand Forks Herald of April 11, by R. C. Hill, state Public Safety director, blames errors in judgment on the part of the driver, for a large share of traffic accidents. He mentions several things about which mistakes are made and poor driving habits are formed, and says the driver's attitude of mind is of great importance. We who understand the scientific fact of how speedily a drink or two can becloud the judgment as to speed and distance, can agree with his state-

It scarcely seems logical that our cities should rigorously enforce ordinances concerned with parking cars before ously enforce ordinances concerned with parking cars before hydrants, observing stop signs, etc., as safety measures, yet ignore the evident fact that the drinking driver is a definite hazard. Places for sale of liquor mount, it is sold along with gasoline at some filling stations, to make it easy for a traveler to get. The old slogan, "Personal liberty ends where public safety begins" should be revived. As Mr. Hill Continued on Page 8

Treasurer's Report

February 15 to April 8, 1954

DUES-Beach 5; Minot 8; Oakes 5; Larimore 2; Bowesmont 7; Bismarck 2; Fargo 1; Valley City 50; Grand Forks 1; Northwood 1; New England 4; Drayton 23; Lisbon 8; Nekoma 1; Williston 10; Grafton 30.

BUDGET—Williston \$11.00; Bismarck \$2.00; Fargo \$1.00; Bottineau \$30.00; Grafton \$30.00; Page \$2.00.

NEW CRUSADE FUND—Larimore \$1.00; Bismarck \$1.00; Fargo \$5.00; Lisbon \$4.00; Oakes \$16.50; Page \$.50; Granville \$.50; Williston \$21.00; Valley City \$31.50; Langdon \$11.50.

L. T. L.—Valley City 50; Northwood 20; Urbana 5. District Pledge—James Valley District \$13.00.

WILLARD MEMORIAL—Arthur \$3.50; Gilby \$2.00; Minot \$2.00; Oakes \$2.00; Parshall \$5.00; Edgeley \$2.00; New England \$2.00; Bowesmont \$2.00; Bismarck \$5.00; Valley City \$2.00; Douglas \$2.00; Steele \$2.00; Tower City \$2.00; Reeder \$2.00; Beach \$5.00; Drayton \$5.00; Granville \$10.00; Williston \$2.00; Grafton \$3.00; Fargo \$2.00; Cavalier \$8.45.

LILLIAN STEVENS FUND—Steele \$2.00; Gilby \$2.00; Minot \$2.00; New England \$2.00; Douglas \$2.00; Grafton \$2.00; Fargo \$2.00; Cavalier \$2.00.

LIGHT LINE UNIONS-Watford City; Grand Forks; Tower City; Bottineau; Mott; Drayton; Fargo; Glover; Cavalier; Langdon.

MEMORIAL MEMBER-Frank T. Brooks, given by Mrs. Brooks.

CHILD HONORARY MEMBER-Carla Jean Main given by Mrs. Philip Stolberg, Flasher.

ORGANIZATION FUND-Elizabeth Preston Anderson \$50.00. STATE REPORTS-\$12.50.

The following unions have paid N. C. F. in full for five years: Beach, Grand Forks, Flasher, Tower City, Reeder, Minot, Ellendale, Dickey, Fargo, West Fairview, Calvin, Parshall, Stady Zahl, Valley City, Page, Larimore, Langdon. Oakes, Granville.

Mrs. Howard Kemis.

From The Corresponding Secretary

Dear White Ribboners:
"80 MORE IN '54." How many of the goals have been accomplished? We depend upon the individual member, in the local WCTU.

Eight or more new WCTU members.
Eight or more Y. T. C. members, a new Y. T. C.
Eight or more L. T. L. members, perhaps a new organiza-

Eight or more Little White Ribboners.

New subscriptions to the Union Signal. Have you sent your letters to Congress?

Movies shown in the schools. N. D. WCTU owns four: "The Vicious Circle," "Public Enemy No. 1," "The Choice Is Yours" and "Any Boy—U. S. A." Please write for date early.

Eight or more entrants in poster contests.

Eight or more in Speech Contests, better to start with e than seven, some may drop out. (Send report to Mrs.

more than seven, some may drop out. (Send report to Mrs. H. O. Hermanson, 511 Third Ave. S., Grand Forks, N. D.)

Have you checked on your schools to see if the Course of Study in Narcotics has been received from the State of North Dakota?

Please note the book, "Alcohol at the Wheel." With our young folks learning to drive you understand why we are suggesting that each WCTU see that each student of a driver's class or High School graduate be supplied with a copy. N. D. WCTU has a quantity of these books on hand. The price is 20 cents and may be had on your credit balance of N. C. F., if

paid in full. Valley City again led the NEW MEMBER drive in Janvaries that many will report a NET GAIN by the end of May. We like to send in good reports to National. Our enemies are working continually: It will take the consecrated effort of all. May God bless you as your work.

Sincerely,

Mrs. F. T Brooks.

Quit referring to the liquor traffic as an "industry." It is NOT an industry, never was and never will be. It is a traffic in debauchery and nothing else.—William E. Johnson.

NOONTIDE HOUR OF PRAYER

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

HISTORIAN'S LETTER

We have had so much fun trying to find out how old some of you are! By "we" I mean Mrs. P. O. Sathre and myself. Guess we started something when it was suggested at the 1953 state WCTU convention that each local union write a short history of itself and its beginnings for the historical files of the N. D. WCTU, now so nicely cared for in the inner vaults of the Liberty Memorial Historical Building on the Capitol grounds at Bismarck. We really did not realize until requests came in from some of the unions for information, what a marvelous record our women have made, what they have done for love of the cause and our country

during the past century.

We thought a half day's research could easily answer all their questions, by looking through our files and early Annual Minutes since Territorial days, five scrapbooks and White Ribbon Bulletins. Found it would be necessary to scan at least every page, and have been at it ever since. Again, just like women generally, all have been very coy in revealing their age! In one instance, we found just one short sentence which gave the year of the union's organization, in early Dakota days. Think of our early organizers and presidents travelling more than 5,000 miles in one year, by rail and team. One secretary wrote "Make our motto 'A union in every city, town, hamlet and village in North Dakota'!"

The Lord furnished me, unexpectedly, great entertainment for four or five sleepless nights after "sliding down our cellar door"—actually a few basement steps—in reading of the untiring work of Adelaide Kinnear, the first president of N. D. WCTU, and her marvelous assistant organizer, Miss Preston. She who was later our long beloved second president Mrs. Fligabeth Preston. Anderson is never one of our dent, Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson, is now one of our few living sources of early information.

Please begin now to keep your records of all your union's activities, with names of persons, what they did and when. Put down the year, month and date of every transaction. Record work done. These should be in local and district records, as well as the state records. Ask us questions.

Most sincerely yours,
Mrs. Charles Liessman.

Take Time

A grandmother speaks to young mothers:
Take time to enjoy your children. The years will go faster than you realize, and then you can live the orderly life you now desire. Leave everything at least once a day to savor life with your youngsters. When your little boy says "Close your eyes, Mommy, here's something to put in your hair," do it—and cringe a bit of course. If it was your lone red rose, which was blooming so proudly by the walk a moment ago, do not be harsh. Accept the gift as graciously as it was given, and then talk the matter over if necessary. Perhaps you will decide together that roses are lovelier left blooming. Never shock the lovelight from your child's face. If you do, the image of that hurt little countenance will haunt you some day, when no power on earth can give you another

Your little girl calls at dawn, and you stumble, chilled and bone-weary to her bedside. She glimpses the red sunrise from her window saying. "Mommy, isn't it lovely out there toward the heaven land?" You kiss her soft little cheek, and tuck her in, knowing you would not exchange this moment for a dozen nights of unbroken rest.

Go exploring with your little boy before it's too late. Leave your work, all the days of your life you will treasure the memory of the comradeship you knew that sunny after-

Perhaps he will point to a pile of stickhorses, moldering by a tree. "There's Betty and my stickhorses, waiting." (Bet-ty is a playmate now far away.) The patient stickhorses, waiting for another spring, will somehow bring a lump to

your throat. Walk out on the hill at eventide, to see your child bringing home the cows. The world is green, and the air is filled with the music of the cowbells. Singing a wordless song, he follows the placid bovines as they wind single file along the path. His blond hair blows back from his little brown face. He carries yellow flowers which he has pulled for you-roots. stems and blossoms. His faded blue shirt and overalls merge with the sky to make a lovely picture. Someday, when he is gone, you will recall it with deep joy. Of course you will love the man he grows up to be but do not miss the little boy.

-Reprinted from N. D. Farm Bureau News. (Author not given)

DEPARTMENT LETTERS

Parliamentary Law

Greetings and Best Wishes:

Our special study for this year is "The Parliamentary Drill—Questions and Answers" by the National Director Rev. Emma A. Arnold. Ten questions will be selected from this list for the annual quiz. We hope every union will study a few questions and answers at each meeting, then prepare

to answer the quiz at the June or July meeting.

Do not think of the quiz as a competitive examination, but simply as incentive for continual study of parliamentary law. The purpose of this department in our WCTU is to keep the local women parliamentary law conscious, so that business may be quickly and correctly disposed of and adequate time left for the study of the alcohol problem and planning for its solution.

"80 more in '54."

We hope our women will fall in line with the theme of the year, doing the necessary study aid answering the quiz. A certificate of award will be sent to you, and we hope for an increased number of certificates. "80 more in '54."

Success and God bless you. Elsie Hart, Director.

Parliamentary Drill **Questions and Answers**

Rev. Emma A. Arnold

National Director, Parliamentary Law Department

What is Parliamentary procedure?

Ans. The proper method of carrying on formal business before an organized assembly.

Why is a knowledge of Parliamentary Law necessary for members as well as for presiding officers?

To accomplish the greatest amount of work, with the least friction or delay; to carry out the will of the majority of the members; and to protect the rights of the minority.

What is noticeable in a meeting where Parliamentary Law is not observed?

ns. Wasted time, lack of unity, failure to achieve action, a general impression of slovenliness.

What was the original source of Parliamentary Law.

ns. The British Parliament. However, a crude standard of procedure for their deliberations is found even among Ans.

barbarous peoples.

Name some source books on the subject.

ns. "Robert's Rules of Order;" "Parliamentary Procedure" by Cruzan; "Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure" by Sturgis; "Parliamentary Law at a Glance" by Utter These books and many helpful leaflets may be obtained from

the National WCTU Publishing House, Evanston, Illinois.

How can the average member become skilled in Parliamentary Law?

Ans. By constant practice in meetings and frequent extra sessions for study and discussion of the subject. Texts and method leaflets should be reread often.

What is the difference between the Constitution and Bylaws of an organization?

The Constitution is the statement of the basic principles and structure of the organization-its highest authority. The By-laws contain the details necessary to amplify and carry out the provisions of the Constitution.

Where may a member see the Constitution and By-laws of an organization?

An official copy should be kept in the secretary's book. 9. Define a motion.

A proposal that the assembly take certain action.

10. How should a member make a motion?

Ans. She should stand and say, "Madame Chairman." the chair speaks her name, she should say, "I move that... 11. What further procedure is necessary?

Ans. The motion must be seconded and the Chair must give opportunity for discussion. When the discussion is closed, the Chair must ask for both the affirmative and the negative vote and then announce the result: "The ayes (or nos) have it, so we shall (or shall not) . . ."

12. What is the difference between a majority, a plurality, and a two-thirds vote?

ns. A majority vote is more than half the total number legally voting; a plurality vote is more votes for any one candidate or measure than for any others being voted on, but less than a majority; a two-thirds vote requires twothirds of all votes cast.

Define "unanimous consent."

Ans. Informal assumption of approval of members. Is de-

feated by one objection.

14. What is meant by "Out of order"?

Ans. Not allowable from a parliamentary standpoint at that particular time.

15. Define "Agenda."

The official list of business to be considered at a meet-Ans. ing.

16. Define "Chair."

The chairman or other person presiding. Ans.

17. Define "Floor."

A person "has the floor" when the chairman has granted permission for her to speak.

18. Define "Ballot."

Ans. A mechanical device or slip of paper by which votes are recorded.

19. Define "Convene."

To formally open a meeting.

20. Define "Adjourn."

To officially terminate a meeting.

21. Define "The House." Ans. The assembly. 22. Define "Quorum."

The number of members that must be present to legally Ans. transact business

23. What are the "Minutes"?

The official records of proceedings.

24. What is a "Proxy Vote"?

A vote cast for an absent member by someone author-Ans. ized to do so. 25. Name five methods of voting.

ns. 1) By voice (ayes and nos), 2) lifted hand, 3) rising, 4) ballot, 5) roll call. Ans

What is meant by "Division of the assembly"?

uestion about a voice vote—verified by rising.

27. When is the president permitted to vote?

Ans. By ballot; on roll call; in case of a tie; when one vote

is necessary to break a tie. 28. What is the purpose of an amendment to a motion?

To change or modify the action proposed by the motion. 29. What are the methods of amending a motion?

Ans. By striking out words or phrases or by inserting or substituting.

30. Name the characteristics of a main motion.

1) It introduces new business; 2) is singular in purpose. 31. Name the various kinds of motions.

Ans. Privileged motions, subsidiary motions, incidental mo-

tions.

32. What are privileged motions?

Propositions of such great importance as to require im-Ans. mediate action and so take precedence over all other motions. 33.

Name some privileged motions.

Ans. 1) To fix the time of adjournment, 2) to adjourn, 3) question of privilege, 4) order of the day, 5) to recess. 34. What is meant by "precedence"?

The importance of one motion over another which permits it to be presented when the other motion is before the house.

35. What is an incidental motion?

ns. A motion relating to questions which arise incidentally out of the business or order or manner of considering the business of the assembly.

What is a subsidiary motion?

A motion applied to other motions for the purpose of disposing of them.

37. Name some subsidiary motions.

1) to lay a question on the table; 2) call for the previous question; 3) limit or extend debate; 4) postpone (defi-

nitely or indefinitely); 5 commit or recommit; 6) to amend.

38. What is the meaning of a call for the "previous question"? To close discussion about a motion (literally the guestion before the discussion began), and take a vote on it.

What is the meaning of a "motion to commit"? A motion to have the matter under discussion referred

to a committee.

40. What is the difference between unfinished business and new business?

Unfinished business has been carried over from a pre-New business is that which is brought vious meeting. before the assembly the first time.

The Oakes union held its annual Frances Willard program and tea at the home of Mrs. Ivan Shafer February 17th. Mrs. K. H. Coil had charge of the program and there was a good attendance. Mrs. Ludvig Buland conducted devotions and also presided at the tea table with Mrs. Maurice Johnson at the close of the program. A silver offering was received.

Temperance Sermons

Ministers of the United States are invited to preach a special temperance sermon in 1954 in honor of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in its 80th anniversary year. The National WCTU asks that each minister cooperate in this anniversary observance by presenting the ideal of total abstinence to his own congregation.

Many outstanding temperance sermons are preached in a year's time. They could arrest the thinking of thousands who have no opportunity to hear them. But many ministers do not take the time to put their sermons into manuscript form. The WCTU would like to have copies of these sermons for possible reprint. To expedite that possibility the following plan has been set up.

The United States has been divided into five regions. are in the North Central with nine other states: North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Minneosta, Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan.

Regional and National Awards

In each region, two awards, \$100 and \$50, will be given In each region, two awards, \$100 and \$50, will be given for manuscripts judged best from churches exceeding 200 in membership, and duplicate awards for manuscripts from churches with less than 200 membership. National awards, based on the same membership division, will be \$300, \$200, \$100 for each division. All manuscripts will become the property of the National WCTU. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union reserves the right to withhold an award (in any classification) in the event that manuscripts are not of sufclassification) in the event that manuscripts are not of sufficient merit.

Manuscripts considered must require not less than twenty minutes nor more than thirty minutes for delivery and must be sermons preached by resident pastors at their Sunday morning church services on some Sunday, January 1, 1954, through October, 1954.

Three typewritten copies of the manuscript (two carbons) must be cont to the Period Townstone (1960).

bons) must be sent to the Regional Temperance Sermon Manuscript Supervisor within thirty days after the sermon has been preached. The manuscript should bear only the sermon title and notation as to total church membership. It should be accompanied by sealed envelope containing the name and address of the author, his church, date on which preached, approximate number in the congregation on that

Regional Supervisor-North Central: Mrs. Fred Van De

Walker, McIntire, Iowa.

Judges will be ministers, laymen, and temperance leaders of recognized ability. Regional awards will be announced and paid not later than March 1, 1955. National awards will be announced and paid within one month after the regional announcement

Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker, president of the National Temperance and Prohibition Council, which is composed of the nation-wide representatives of the temperance boards of twenty-three different religious groups, nas given his approval

of this plan in these words:

"It is good news to learn that the National WCTU is about to launch a sermon contest in which participating ministers of the gospel shall furnish your committee of judges sermon manuscripts of messages which shall have been preached to their own congregations. I think the idea is a fine one.

"It will doubtless create wide-spread interest and deepening concern in one of the gravest of all our national problems. I trust and believe that a very large number of Christian ministers should be challenged, and shall throw themselves gladly into such a noble contest. The doing of such a deed should be genuine compensation to every participant, irrespective of the possible winning of an award."

For additional details send inquiry direct to Sermon Manuscripts, National WCTU, 1730 Chicago Avenue, Evanston Illinois

ton. Illinois.

Request Elimination of Beer Advertising From Woman's Home Companion and McCall's Magazine

The U. S. Brewers Foundation recently sent out to its members and constituents a booklet, "The A. B. C. of Beer Advertising," which presses home the alleged fact that beer is largely a home affair and that the mother in the home must be enlisted in the great company of those who believe that "Beer Belongs in the Home."

The brewers are now spending as much as \$120,000,000 The brewers are now spending as much as \$120,000,000 a year in advertising to increase the sale and consumption of their products. Much of this advertising is focused upon the American home with a view to making beer drinkers of the mothers of America, and of American youth as well.

The National Temperance and Prohibition Council in carrying forward the Crusade Against Alcoholic Beverage Advertising, is asking those interested in the Crusade to Concentrate their efforts for the present upon home magazines which accept heer advertisements but refuse liquor adversing the property of the present upon home magazines.

which accept beer advertisements but refuse liquor advertisements; in particular, the Woman's Home Companion and McCall's Magazine. In both of these magazines there was a considerable decrease in the number of their beer advertisements and in the revenue derived therefrom in the year 1953 as compared with 1952.

Woman's Home	Companion—Beer	Advertisements
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1952—Number	Beer	AdsAds	11	Revenue	\$209,650.00
1953—Number	Beer		5	Revenue	86,100.00
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Decrease Decrease \$123,550.00 1952-No beer ads in January and December issues.

1953-No beer ads in January, March, April, August, October and December issues.

McCall's Magazine—Beer and Wine Advertisements

1952—No. 1953—No.							\$243,200.00 145,420.00
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Decrease 5 Decrease \$ 97,780.00 Woman's Home Companion-Editor, Woodrow Wising, 640

Fifth Ave., New York 19, N. Y.

McCall's Magazine—Editor and Publisher, Otis Lee Wiese,
230 Park Place, New York 17, N. Y.

We urge communications be sent the editors of these two magazines:

a. Commending them for not accepting liquor ads.b. Commending them for the large decrease both in the number and revenue of their beer, or beer and wine ads in 1953 over 1952.

c. Appealing to them to cease the publication of all alcoholic beverage advertisements to protect the American hone against invasion by the wine and beer interests.

d. And to join that large number of high grade magazines which refuse to support the alcoholic beverage industry by advertising their products. Of this number, there are twelve (Ladies' Home Journal, Saturday Evening Post, Better Homes and Cardons etc.) which have a combined circulation Homes and Gardens, etc.) which have a combined circulation of 41,000,000 and which receive revenue of \$174,000,000 from non-alcoholic advertising-all able to survive and prosper without any financial support from traffic in intoxicating liquors.

For further information concerning the Crusade, address:

Dr. R. H. Martin, Chairman

Committee Against Liquor Advertising, N. T. P. C.

209 Ninth Street, Pittsburgh 22, Pa.

That Fatal Twenty Feet

Suppose two motorists ("A"—abstainer and "W"—whisky-drinker) are driving at thirty-five miles an hour, side by side. A child suddenly steps out on to the road. In one-fifth of a second "A" applies his brakes. But "W", because of the slowing down effect of just one "nip" of whisky (or its equivalent in any other alcoholic drink), applies his brakes two-fifths of a second later Corporately he second. fifths of a second later. Consequently he travels twenty feet further than "A" before braking his car. If travelling at forty-five or fifty miles per hour—then, of course, the distance travelled by the alcoholized driver before applying his brakes is correspondingly greater.

Just great enough to spell the difference between life and

Motor-Car Speeds

It is well to remember the following facts relating to motor-car speeds:

30 m.p.h. equals 44 feet per sec.

35 m.p.h. equals 51 feet per sec. 40 m.p.h. equals 58 feet per sec. 45 m.p.h. equals 66 feet per sec. (Decimal points omitted)

Now these are very common speeds on our roads.

A car at thirty-five miles an hour travels twenty feet in two-fifths of a second. Experiments show that when a man has consumed the alcoholic equivalent of two ounces of whiskey, a nerve impulse and muscular reaction thereto, which ordinarily required one-fifth of a second, was slowed down from 100 to 200 per cent.—Ohio Messenger

Liquor Advertising

Sir:

Once upon a time, in response to an appeal by kindly people that I help restore alcoholics to normal living, I sent a check for that purpose. Scarcely had I dropped it in the mail when I began to hear some things I had hardly noticed before. Every hour, sometimes every half-hour, seductive feminine voices or challenging male tones gurgling liquids sounded through the house, urging me to buy one or another of the products causing the very disease I was helping to

Sensitive at last to what was going on, I began to ask myself some questions. All day long, I said to myself, you hear over radio and television these alluring invitations, and then you send money to help cure those who answered the ads and got sick doing it! How unrealistic can you get?

You wouldn't, I reminded myself, serve milk from tuberrou wouldn't, I reminded mysell, serve fink from tuber-cular cows. You wouldn't take people to picnic in polio-stricken areas. You wouldn't even serve meat from a country rumored to have hoof-and-mouth disease, even though re-fusal might risk incurring the hostility of that country. Yet you listen with complete apathy to pressure salesmen urging

upon you disease-bearing products!
Why, I asked myself, don't those kindhearted people who so earnestly want to cure alcoholism come up to date? For other diseases, millions are spent to prevent infection. For alcoholism millions—or is it billions?—are spent to prevent prevention. In fact, with this disease it seems the patient must gradually lose his self-respect and then his joy. He may alienate his wife, be cruel to children, perhaps even commit a crime, before we so much as lift a finger to help him. Then we step up with a great show of efficiency and humane interest. We say, "Now, let's take up a collection and cure him!"

Why not come up to date? Why not try to spare him the long, tortured months and years of hell he passes through before reaching complete degradation? For one thing, how about getting liquor salesmen off his back—at least in his own That will be my answer the next time a kind-hearted person appeals for funds to help cure suffering alcoholics.—Christian Century, November 18, 1953. (Reprinted from The Spotlight.) (Reprinted from

YOUTH

Youth is not a time of life; it is a state of mind; it is a temper of the will, a quality of the imagination, a vigor of the emotions a predominance of courage over timidity, of the appetite for adventure over love of ease.

Nobody grows old by merely living a number of years; people grow old by deserting their ideals. Years wrinkle the skin, but to give up enthusiasm wrinkles the soul. Worry, doubt self-district fear and despair these are the long. doubt, self-distrust, fear and despair, — these are the long, long years that bow the head and turn the growing spirit

back to dust.

Whether seventy or sixteen, there is in every being's heart the love of wonder, the sweet amazement at the stars and star like things and thoughts, the undaunted challenge of events, the unfailing childlike appetite for what next, and the joy in the game of life.

You are as young as your faith, as old as your doubts; as young as your self-confidence, as old as your fear; as young as your hope, as old as your depsair.

So long as your heart receives messages of beauty, cheer, courage grandeur, and power from the earth, from man and

from the infinite, so long you are young.

When the wires are all down and all the central place of your heart is covered with the snows of pessimism and the ice of cynicism, then you are grown old indeed, and may God have mercy on your soul.

(This message hangs on the wall of Elizabeth Preston Anderson's room at Miles City, Mont. The author is not

given. Editor.)

WORD TO THE WISE . . . Continued from Page 4 said, no one should drive who is not on the alert, and balance

and self control are of first importance.

We hope for a lot of good reports of district conventions for our July-August issue; only one has come in for this time. Try to get to your own meeting; it always helps to meet the workers from other places, and we all gain inspiration. tion when we sing, pray and discuss problems logether. Let's go to district convention!

Cordially yours,

Elizabeth C. Beasley.

Vacation Bible School Material

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